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~~CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING AND OFFICIAL MINUTES~~
MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST MEETING
MARCH 20, 2013

The Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) convened in a meeting in the Overtown Transit Building, Community Action Human Services Department, in the 10th Floor South Conference Room on March 20, 2013, at 3:30 p.m. The following MDEAT members were present: Chairman Marc Douthit Esq., Mr. Ron Butler, Ms. Barbara Montero, Mr. Carlos Morales, Mr. Stephen L. Herbert, Mr. George Ray III, Ms. Leigh H. Toney, Mr. Charles Sims and Ms. Stephanye Johnson (Reverend Walter T. Richardson, Mr. Robert Holland Esq., and Ms. Treska V. Rodgers were absent).

ROLL CALL

The following staff members were present: MDEAT Executive Director John Dixon, Mr. Jose Gonzalez, Ms. Traci Pollock, and Deputy Clerk Karen Harrison.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST
QUERY FOR EARLY DEPARTURES

Chairman Marc Douthit called the meeting to order at 3:43 p.m., and noted the discussion items would be addressed until the Trust reached a quorum.

Approval of Previous Minutes - January 16, 2013

Mr. Stephen Herbert referred to page 6 of the January 16, 2013 MDEAT Minutes and clarified that his statement concerned the necessity of obtaining information on the demographics of the targeted urban areas (TUAs), which were needed in order to move forward.

Chairman Douthit said the approval of the minutes would include Mr. Herbert's clarification.

It was moved by Mr. Ron Butler that the January 16, 2013 MDEAT minutes be approved with Mr. Herbert's clarification. This motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Sims and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 9-0; (Reverend Walter T. Richardson, Mr. Robert Holland Esq., and Ms. Treska V. Rodgers were absent).

I. Board Action Items

A. MDEAT Historical Booklet

Mr. John Dixon referred to the Memorandum of Approval (MOA) and provided an overview of the foregoing item that was proposed by the Economic Development Action Committee to create a historical book spanning the time from MMAP (former name) to MDEAT. He said there was an assortment of available information and resources that would provide the community with a pictorial and history of this agency's accomplishments, and upcoming activities.

Mr. Dixon described the two options listed in the MOA that included the following: a fiscal impact of \$27,000, and the other option would have smaller pages, had a fiscal impact of

~~\$25,500. He noted the request included the cost to contract with an historian/writer to research and to compose the agency's information.~~

Mr. Dixon noted the transition from MMAP to MDEAT occurred in 2009 and MDEAT would be entering into its fifth year of operation in 2014.

Ms. Toney suggested that the milestone of MDEAT's fifth anniversary under new management be highlighted.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the purpose of producing this booklet, which included to be used as a marketing tool, and an historical collection of MMAP/MDEAT's history and accomplishments.

In response to Chairman Douthit's inquiry regarding whether the cost of this booklet was included in MDEAT's budget, Mr. Dixon noted that during the review of the outlined Economic Development budget, the allocated amount of approximately \$20,000 for the computer training program was not used due to a partnership agreement. He also noted there were other initiatives with resources that could be re-allocated within MDEAT's existing budget.

Further discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the budget and how the quotes from similar projects presented at today's (3/20) meeting were obtained, and the need for this project to go through a Request for Proposal (RFP) process.

Ms. Traci Pollock clarified that the dollar amount presented for the layout of the graphic design was from the County's General Services Department, and the second part of the request involved conducting a RFP process in order to enter into a contract with an historian to research through the large amount of material from MDEAT.

Additionally, Mr. Dixon noted the County had designated consultants to conduct this RFP process.

In response to Chairman Douthit's inquiry as to whether the terms of the contract with the historian would include archiving this information for it to become an accessible database, Mr. Dixon noted this request could be included in the scope of work.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding how the estimated cost was determined and the need to move forward to contract with an historian who would have to conduct interviews with people who played a role in MDEAT's history and to complete the research project before the end of the fiscal year, which was in October 2013.

Chairman Douthit indicated that the cost would be subject to the outcome of the RFP, but the total amount should not exceed \$27,000.

Responding to Mr. Carlos Morales' inquiry, Mr. Dixon noted the intent was to distribute 15,000 copies of the booklet with the Board's assistance, to policy makers, and leaders in the community.

Ms. Barbara Montero noted if this project could be in conjunction with a website, it would reach a larger audience. She suggested that the communication strategy be more comprehensive with many channels coming into it.

Mr. Ron Butler noted the Economic Action Committee members believed that the creation of this booklet would be a good way to tell MDEAT's story. He said that he was in favor of using multiple media sources, but this was not likely with the limited funding of \$27,000; however, social media and other sources should be considered.

Chairman Douthit recommended that the Trust members consider this item in two separate phases. He said that the first phase included hiring an historian to archive, catalogue, and write the history of MDEAT, which had an independent value, followed with identifying the most effective way to disseminate that information. He suggested that rather than addressing this item in the manner stated in the Memorandum of Approval, the more efficient process would consist of using the \$15,000 to conduct the first phase of the work, followed by staff bringing the completed work back to the Trust to approve the second phase.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the timeline for processing a RFP and gathering the historical data, which was approximately a four-month window leading into the budget review for the next fiscal year.

Mr. George Ray III noted for the record that he believed in the importance of sharing the history of MDEAT, but he believed there was a better way that was less expensive, which would allow more funding for to organize activities that would help this community and create more economic development.

Ms. Leigh Toney recommended that the foregoing proposal be presented in the form of a historical booklet. She noted this would also be an opportunity to change the public's perception of MDEAT, and to include the past five years of work performed by the newly-appointed Trust members. She further recommended that an annual report be published thereafter to inform the public about the work performed by MDEAT.

It was moved by Ms. Toney that an amendment of the Memorandum of Approval and an allocation in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 in order to contract with a historian/writer to research, catalogue, and archive the historical records of MMAP (former name) and the five years of MDEAT as well as create an annual report for the public, and to come back to the Trust to determine the source of publication and expenditures. This motion was seconded by Ms. Stephanye Johnson, and upon being put to a vote, passed 9-0 (Trust members Reverend Walter T. Richardson, Mr. Robert Holland Esq., and Ms. Treska V. Rodgers were absent).

B. Black Business Guide

Mr. John Dixon provided a brief overview of the request for MDEAT to partner with the Black Advisory Board (BAB) to create a Black Business Guide (BBG) for Miami-Dade County. He noted staff was still working with the Chief Economist's Office to identify the businesses within

the TUAs so MDEAT could display a special section within the BBG that would include maps and businesses within those TUAs. Mr. Dixon referred to the handout and noted the cost to create this portion of the BBG would be \$12,000, which was included as a line item for the first time in the MDEAT budget.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the size of the BBG and the need for the guide to be smaller, more user-friendly and easier to store for travel; however, the size could affect the legibility of the maps.

Further discussion ensued among the Trust members that once the MDEAT section draft of the BBG was complete staff would come back to the Trust for approval to be part of the document already created by the BAB.

Ms. Toney inquired about the overall cost to produce the entire BBG, and said she wanted to ensure that MDEAT shared a fair portion of the cost and the return on the investment.

Mr. Sims noted for clarification that the expenditure covered the research and cost to publicize MDEAT's section in the BBG. He pointed out that the information from the research could be used again in the future.

It was moved by Ms. Leigh Toney to approve an allocation amount not to exceed \$12,000.00 for MDEAT to enter into an agreement with the Miami-Dade Black Advisory Board to publish a Black Business Guide consisting of retail, wholesale, entertainment, and other services in addition to the services provided by MDEAT in the targeted urban areas (TUAs) of Miami-Dade County. This motion was seconded by Ms. Barbara Montero, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 9-0; (Trust members Reverend Walter T. Richardson, Mr. Robert Holland Esq., and Ms. Treska V. Rodgers were absent).

C. Teen Court Article – Legacy Magazine

Mr. John Dixon provided an overview of the foregoing proposal that was approved by the Trust that MDEAT staff work with Legacy Magazine during Black History Month to promote the agency and its activities. He noted this request was from the Economic Development Action Committee (EDAC) to continue working with Legacy Magazine to publish an article regarding the Teen Court Program for the April edition. He said the cost for the half page ad was in the EDAC budget.

It was moved by Mr. Ron Butler to approve the publication of an article on the Teen Court Program in the Miami Herald Business Monday's supplement, entitled "Legacy," under the same terms as stated in the January 16, 2013, MDEAT Agenda Item 1H Ballot, and that the shared expense would come from the Teen Court Budget FY 2012-13 marketing budget approved by the Trust. This motion was seconded by Ms. Barbara Montero, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 9-0; (Trust members Reverend Walter T. Richardson, Mr. Robert Holland Esq., and Ms. Treska V. Rodgers were absent).

II. Information Items

Mr. John Dixon requested that the presentation on the Foundation for Youth and Economic Development (FYED) by the FYED Board members be added to the MDEAT agenda. He apologized and noted that after sending out an addendum to the MDEAT agenda staff realized that this presentation was not included.

Ms. Stephanye Johnson provided an overview and plans to work with the FYED. She also noted questions that were raised by FYED members regarding clarification that the Foundation was to assist MDEAT in programs related to the goals and mission of both organizations. Therefore, this discussion if agreed was to formalize a working relationship into a memorandum of understanding (MOU), rather than into By-laws, which would allow the two organizations to work collaboratively on forthcoming projects, she noted.

Ms. Johnson noted during the Foundation meeting, the representation by the attorney was confirmed and that she would be working with the Foundation members as a registered agent, rather than an attorney.

Chairman Douthit said that one of the concerns raised was the relationship between the Trust and the Foundation, and what would be the obligations of the Foundation, in terms of supporting the programs of the Trust because shortly the Foundation would be a complete autonomous entity. He said that he had asked the County Attorney's Office to provide some insight regarding the appropriate relationship between those two bodies.

Assistant County Attorney Terrence Smith noted an Oversight Review Board was established before the transition from MMAP to MDEAT. He explained that the Board of County Commission (BCC) by ordinance created this Trust, and as an extension of the Trust the Foundation, a not-for-profit organization, was created to help the Trust obtain funding. He noted Section 2-506, Sub-Section C of the Code provides that the Trust shall identify and develop a variety of alternative funds, seek and apply for state, federal and private grants, included but not limited to philanthropic and non-tax based sources. Assistant County Attorney Smith noted he believed the intent was to delegate that authority to the Foundation, which would be in a better position to apply for the funds to help the Trust. He said he did not believe that the Foundation had any other authority nor was the Trust given authority to delegate any additional powers to the Foundation, in terms of operating Trust programs.

Following further discussion among the Trust members regarding the purpose of the FYED was to only assist MDEAT in obtaining funding, Chairman Douthit acknowledged the representatives of the FYED who were present at today's (3/20) meeting, and asked that they introduce themselves.

Mr. Patrick Gycoast (Phonetic) introduced himself as a member of the Foundation and employed by Chase Bank.

In response to Mr. Ron Butler's comment, Assistant County Attorney Smith advised that the Trust and FYED were separate entities, and the Trust had its own Board members.

In response to the Assistant County Attorney's question as to whether the FYED would have legal representation, Ms. Johnson clarified that it was confirmed during a discussion that the Foundation would have an attorney who would sit on the Board as a registered agent, but not as a representing attorney for FYED.

Assistant County Attorney Smith noted the FYED needed legal advice to ensure its compliance with the Sunshine Laws and public record regulations because as an extension of MDEAT, FYED was governed by those regulations.

Following the Assistant County Attorney's explanation using the example of a similar case with the Miami-Dade Public Housing and Community Development, Ms. Johnson requested this information to be forwarded to the FYED because initially the Board members believed there was no need to comply with the Sunshine Laws.

Assistant County Attorney Smith advised the Trust members to take precautions particularly because with two Trust members sitting on the Board of the FYED there would be matters that would eventually come from FYED to the Trust for consideration that would involve Trust, which would be covered by the Sunshine Laws.

Chairman Douthit noted prior to this meeting he believed that the attorney who attended the FYED meeting would be its representing attorney, rather than a Board member. He said that he would eventually want to be removed from that Board because he did not believe that the Chair of the Trust should be a FYED Board member; however, due to its interim stages, he said he understood. Subsequently, once FYED was fully staffed, he suggested that the Executive Director be the only liaison between the two bodies.

Chairman Douthit noted the purpose of today's (03/20) meeting was to put those issues on the table and to serve as a catalyst to speed up the process of removing the Trust members from the membership of the FYED Board and to identify other potential members.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the purpose of the FYED, which was to help the Trust achieve its goals.

Assistant County Attorney Smith advised that as the Trust members were removed from the FYED there should still be a close connection between the two entities to ensure that the Trust maintains some control over the FYED. He noted the two organizations should have a single purpose to avoid the problems that occurred with the Miami-Dade Public Housing and Community Development.

Ms. Leigh Toney asked whether it would be a conflict of interest if the Trust members served on the FYED Board; and if only one Trust sat on the FYED Board while all the other Board members had no connection to the Trust would the By-laws allow the mission, goals and operation to be expanded; and if so, could limits be imposed in order to prevent the FYED members from going beyond the County's interpretation of their purpose.

~~Chairman Douthit pointed out that he had asked the County Attorney's Office if there was any recommended language or existing By-laws that would set limits without interfering with the FYED's mission.~~

Assistant County Attorney Smith advised that the only other entity that had a similar structure was the Housing Finance Authority and its Foundation, with Ms. Patricia Braynon serving as the liaison between the two organizations; however, he noted, he would need to review their By-laws. He stated that he was unsure as to whether a conflict of interest existed, and recommended that an official opinion be sought from the Commission of Ethics and Public Trust (COE) on this issue.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the specific purpose of the FYED, which was to help MDEAT identify funding and to become self-sufficient without solely relying on County funding.

Further discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the necessity to closely monitor the FYED's activities to ensure that its operation complied with the Sunshine Law.

In response to Mr. George Ray's question as to whether it was possible for the Trust to expand its control of the Foundation without having two members on the FYED Board, Assistant County Attorney Smith noted he would have to conduct further investigation; however, the intent of the Chair was to keep the Trust members separate from the Foundation Board members with a single liaison between the two organizations.

Chairman Douthit provided an overview of the history of the FYED, noting a member of MMAP (former name of MDEAT) was instrumental in creating the FYED, and pursuant to the Commission on Ethic's advice she later resigned from the Trust to become the Executive Director of FYED.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the County Ordinance to which the Assistant County Attorney referred earlier to that was in place since 1992.

Assistant County Attorney Smith reminded the Trust members that the purpose of the Oversight Review Board was to examine the problems that occurred with the previous MMAP Board and its Foundation, which resulted in an evaluation of all its activities. He urged the Trust members to not focus on the past Board because of the problems that existed.

Chairman Douthit acknowledged the presence of Ms. Karen Morrison who was a member of the FYED.

Mr. George Ray III expressed concern regarding only one Trust member sitting on the FYED Board, noting he believed that all Trust members should be involved and have more input and influence on the daily activities of the FYED. He said he believed that one Trust member sitting on the FYED Board was insufficient and reports on its activities would not provide the necessary control.

~~Chairman Douthit noted he believed the feedback from the COE would help determine how to~~ move forward regarding the dual membership of the Trust and Foundation members. He observed that some issues may come up before the two bodies, and the decisions made would depend on whose interest the members were defending.

Mr. Stephen Herbert questioned the decision-making process of allocating the funds that would be raised by the FYED, and who would decide which projects would be funded. He pointed out that if the two organizations did not agree on these decisions it could be problematic as the Foundation would be issuing the cheques. He said that from a regulatory compliance standpoint it made sense to keep the two organizations separate; however, he inquired, how would the two organizations come together to ensure that the ultimate goal was met. Mr. Herbert stressed that there must be joint representation within both entities to provide adequate input, in terms of allocating funds.

Chairman Douthit read the following the questions that he proposed to the County Attorney's Office:

1. Does the County Attorney's Office have any suggested By-laws or recommended provisions to be included in the By-laws of the Foundation to clarify its limitations and focus on MDEAT programs
2. Was there any guidance on developing a structure to ensure that the FYED focused on obtaining funding for the Trust Programs

Chairman Douthit noted in terms of the Trust members sitting on the FYED Board, the COE would be able to provide insight, and if it was determined that the Trust members could sit on the FYED Board, the Trust would need to determine its scope of involvement, including the number of members, etc.

In response to Mr. Charles Sims' question as to why it would not be possible for the Trust to mandate how the funds were allocated, Chairman Douthit noted the Trust was in the process of creating the Foundation By-laws and that was his reason for asking if that language could be included.

Further discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the existing system to allocate funding in the County, which was based on an appropriation from the Board of County Commission; whereas the question under consideration was how to allocate funding received from state or federal grants.

Following further discussion, Mr. Ray stated that the Trust needed a more structured mechanism to control the activities of the Foundation because at the end of the day the Foundation was an extension of MDEAT, and its decisions would be a reflection on the Trust.

Ms. Toney noted she believed that the purpose of the FYED was to accomplish what MDEAT could not do, which was to have an entity that could apply for grants and other resources as a 501C3 organization. She suggested that the Trust codify the operations between MDEAT and the Foundation regarding the holding of joint meetings and the development of resource plans to

pursue funding from sources such as Nike, Kellogg, etc. Ms. Toney said that these plans should be a collaborative effort between the Trust and the FYED in creating new proposals prescribed by the Trust during an annual resource development retreat and to identify grants to be pursued that would support the different divisions within MDEAT. She stressed that she did not envision the FYED operating separately from MDEAT.

Ms. Karen Morrison agreed with Ms. Toney and said that as a new member of the FYED her concern was to ensure that FYED would accomplish those tasks that MDEAT could not legally fulfill. She asked whether there were specific activities that MDEAT was not allowed to do in furtherance of its strategic plan and mission that the FYED could more appropriately carry out in addition to sponsoring fundraising activities. Ms. Morrison noted she was attracted to this mission because it provided the possibility to enable an organization to respond in an appropriate manner to the issues of the communities. She stated that the history of MMAP and MDEAT exemplified how administrative restraints could prevent an organization from serving the community in full capacity. She pointed out that the main question for the Trust members to answer was whether MDEAT was ready to be a free organization because FYED could be the path to a transition from a predominantly governmental organization to an advocacy organization that was self-supporting, and was based on what the Trust members wanted.

Chairman Douthit noted he believed that Ms. Toney's comments had captured succinctly what should be the relationship between the Foundation and MDEAT. He said the question was whether this would be achieved by having Trust members serve on the Foundation or by including language in the Foundation's By-laws that would limit its activities. He stated that receiving an opinion from the Commission on Ethics would be the next step in moving forward.

Chairman Douthit thanked the members of the FYED for attending today's (3/20) MDEAT meeting. He urged the Trust members to learn from the past errors committed by other agencies in order to come together and move forward.

A. Black Police Precinct

Mr. Dixon provided an overview of the foregoing item, which included MDEAT hosting a Teen Court hearing at the Black Museum and Black Police Precinct for Black History Month. He noted during the event certificates of appreciation were presented to the judges, including the Chief Judge and new incoming Chief Judge of Miami-Dade County in recognition of their services in criminal justice. Mr. Dixon indicated that the Chair and some Trust members were in attendance at the event, which was hosted by Commissioners Edmonson and Monestime. Mr. Dixon commented on how unique the facility was and he encouraged the other Trust members to visit this venue.

B. Board Members Lobbying

Chairman Douthit noted that the foregoing item was covered in the previous discussion regarding the Foundation. He also noted he had requested a legal opinion from the County Attorney's Office regarding independent lobbying by Board members, or through outside entities.

Assistant County Attorney Terrence Smith noted this issue frequently arose when Board members independently went out and lobbied in favor of a big social issue; although there were no strict prohibitions, there was a concern if Board members undertook these actions without the consent of the Board. He noted that in order for a Board member to represent this Board, this action had to be sanctioned by the Board and the decision was at the Board's discretion. He pointed out the frequent occurrences of this issue during in an attempt to conduct fundraising, which was the reason for creating the FYED organization.

Assistant County Attorney Smith advised that the Dade Delegation was the County's lobbying entity and was responsible to lobby for funding so there was no need for the County Commission to delegate this authority to MDEAT; however this authority was delegated to the Foundation. He advised the Trust members to operate under the jurisdiction of the County Ordinance.

Mr. George Ray III said he believed that the County's lobbyists did not lobby for MDEAT's issues, and this charge was specifically given to this Trust. He noted he also believed that when the Trust members advocated for resources for this organization and for the people of this community that it should not be considered as lobbying because it did not interfere with the work of the County's lobbyists. Mr. Ray indicated that three months ago he requested that a budget be developed for two to three Trust members to attend the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) event in Washington D.C. He pointed out that no federal funding had been provided to MDEAT in over ten years. He said that Mr. Dixon recommended that he discuss this with the Housing Assistance Committee, but this request for funding was for every division within MDEAT. Mr. Ray commended on his intent during this trip to Washington, D.C., which was to advocate not only on behalf of the people who were losing their homes to foreclosures in Miami but also on behalf of Miami's economic development, criminal justice system and other issues.

Mr. Ray urged the MDEAT members to revisit the organization's strategy in accomplishing its mission, particularly since the Trust was in the process of establishing the FYED. He referred to page four of the powers and duties of MDEAT, which reflected that the Trust shall identify and develop a variety of alternative funding sources and shall seek and apply for state, federal and private grants, including but not limited to philanthropic and non-tax based sources. Mr. Ray said this would ensure MDEAT had a sufficient budget to grow and provide direct services to the people of Miami-Dade.

In conclusion, Mr. Ray stressed the need to send representatives to CBC event to speak with government and elected officials who could assist MDEAT with these projects. He asked Chairman Douthit whether there was a plan to send some of the Trust members to the CBC in Washington, D.C., and expressed his concern regarding his repeated requests.

Chairman Douthit pointed out that he did not have an individual plan, in terms of Mr. Ray's request, but rather this body had a plan, which was guided by the County ordinance. He said he believe that it was not crucial for the Trust members to travel to Washington, D.C. to attend the CBC event, because the same people were in Washington throughout the year. Therefore, if the Trust members decided that MDEAT needed to lobby for federal funding, it could be done at any time, and not necessarily during that event.

Chairman Douthit noted the reason this item was on today's (03/20) agenda was because it was his responsibility, after receiving Mr. Ray's proposal, to seek the advice of the County Attorney's Office regarding what was acceptable under the County Ordinance and to review documented obligations of MDEAT. He said that he had a copy of the audits that were conducted as a result of MMAP's difficulties, which reflected concerns regarding activities such as lobbying, and activities specifically related to the CBC event.

Chairman Douthit noted he believed that Mr. Ray's idea of providing direct services was a good one, but MDEAT did not have a programmatic structure to provide such services, and this was why the Trust worked with the committees and County agencies that provided these services to the community. He noted he did not oppose the idea of providing direct services, but the decision to move forward was at the discretion of the Trust as a whole. Chairman Douthit said that the other element that could be used in making this decision was the Oversight Review Board's report that reflected recommendations to create this entity. He asked that the Executive Director provide a copy of that report to the Trust members.

Mr. Ray reiterated his arguments in favor of attending the event of the CBC event to network, and asked the Chair to find a way to send Trust members to attend this event.

Chairman Douthit pointed out that it was not possible for Trust members to travel to Washington, D.C. to attend the CBC event because of Sunshine Laws restrictions. He noted for the record, that for this same reason he often did not return telephone calls from some of the members. Chairman Douthit said MDEAT needed to have a plan or program in place and develop a structure or an entity before requesting funding.

Assistant County Attorney Smith advised the Trust members that the Sunshine Laws applied everywhere in the country. He explained that the County Ordinance provided that the Trust members serve without compensation and would be entitled to reimbursement for necessary expenses. Assistant County Attorney Smith advised that sending Trust members to the CBC event was not a necessary expense; the expenses contemplated by the Ordinance included parking fees, and minimal fees incurred in serving on the Board. He pointed out that unnecessary trips made by Trust members were one of the reasons for MMAP's difficulties.

Mr. Ray noted if he had received the reports requested from staff on the Housing and Economic Development there would be a possibility to justify this request.

Ms. Barbara Montero expressed her appreciation for Mr. Ray's passion for this item, but pointed out the need to obtain a consensus from the Trust members, because the decision would be made by the whole Board.

Ms. Stephanye Johnson noted many of the concerns mentioned in today's (03/20) meeting could have been addressed in the sub-committee meetings. She stressed that in the process of MDEAT carrying out its work, a collaborative effort was made with other entities because MDEAT had limited staff to independently provide direct services.

~~Mr. Ray explained that he did not attend the sub-committee meetings due to conflicting schedules. He suggested that the Trust organize a planning retreat in Washington, D.C. to coincide with the CBC event, in order to review MDEAT programs across-the-board and identify ways to secure funding.~~

Assistant County Attorney Smith explained that the audit report targeted the Trust's Planning Retreat that was held at a local hotel; therefore, to suggest that Trust members go to Washington, D.C. for a retreat would definitely trigger an investigation.

Referring to Mr. Ray's request and the Assistant County Attorney's advice, Mr. Stephen Herbert asked whether Mr. Ray's initiative could be carried out by the FYED as opposed to the Trust.

Mr. Charles Sims noted the need for a consensus regarding this project, and the Trust members needed to develop a plan. He suggested that if the Trust members agreed on a planning session to schedule a few hours to discuss these plans with the individual committees as well. Mr. Sims noted he was opposed to sending Trust members to the CBC event because there was no plan in place.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the role of the Trust versus the role of the Foundation; which organization should pursue funding; and the overlap that would occur if the Trust members began lobbying for funds.

Following further discussion, Mr. Ray requested that the Trust approve to schedule a planning session on funding.

It was moved by Mr. George Ray III that a planning session be organized for the Trust to determine ways to pursue state and federal funding for MDEAT's existing and upcoming programs. This motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Sims, followed by discussion.

Chairman Douthit noted he believed that any type of fundraising would fall under the purview of the Foundation; however, the Trust could have a joint planning meeting with the FYED members rather than have a separate meeting.

Mr. George Ray III withdrew his motion and moved that the planning session to determine ways to pursue state and federal funding for MDEAT's existing and upcoming programs be scheduled to include the Trust and the Foundation members. This motion was seconded by Mr. Charles Sims, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 9-0; (Trust members Reverend Walter T. Richardson, Mr. Robert Holland Esq., and Ms. Treska V. Rodgers were absent).

Mr. Stephen Herbert noted he believed that the joint meeting should take place to discuss funding sources, but in all fairness to the Foundation, the Trust should provide some tangible ways to demonstrate how the funds would be used.

Ms. Stephanye Johnson noted the objective of the FYED was to identify funding sources for the Trust's projects and obtain funding; however, the instructions regarding how to spend those funds would be dictated by the donors.

Ms. Leigh Toney recommended that the planning session be facilitated by a professional fundraiser who could help to identify possible grants; how to apply for these grants; and how to obtain these resources for program that converge with the County's requirements.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding the importance of targeting specific projects for the funds before making a request for funding.

Mr. Ray reiterated his request for the planning session to be on a Saturday when most Trust members would have more time, and the need to have a presence in Washington because the CBC would be able to contribute to MDEAT's mission.

Discussion ensued among the Trust members regarding having a professional planner facilitate the planning session.

III. Advocacy Items – Committee Updates

IV. Executive Director's Report

Chairman Douthit announced that the report from the Executive Director was included in today's (3/20) MDEAT Agenda Package. He asked whether there were any questions regarding any of the items.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Trust, the Trust meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.


Chairman Marc Douthit
Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust



Board of County Commissioners'
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March 20, 2013

Prepared by: (Karen Harrison)

EXHIBITS LIST

NO.	DATE	ITEM #	DESCRIPTION
1	03/20/2013	-	Clerk's Summary
2	03/20/2013	-	MDEAT Ballots (3)
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**MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MOTION AND APPROVAL BALLOT**

SUBJECT: Agenda Item IC: Motion to approve the publication of an article on the Teen Court Program in the Miami Herald Business Monday's supplement, entitled "Legacy," under the same terms as stated in the January 16, 2013, MDEAT Agenda Item 1H Ballot, and that the shared expense would come from the Teen Court Budget FY 2012-13 marketing budget approved by the Trust.

Motion made by: Mr. Ron Butler
Seconded by: Ms. Barbara Montero

	MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSENT
1 st Vice Chair	Butler, Ron	X		
Chairperson	Douthit, Marc, Esq.	X		
	Herbert, Stephen L.	X		
	Holland, Robert, Esq.			X
	Johnson, Stephanye	X		
	Montero, Barbara B.	X		
	Morales, Carlos E.	X		
	Ray II, George	X		
	Reverend Richardson, Walter T.			X
	Rodgers, Treska V.			X
	Sims, Charles	X		
2 nd Vice Chair	Toney, H. Leigh	X		
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Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust
Chairperson

3/20/2013
Date

**MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MOTION AND APPROVAL BALLOT**

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 1A: Motion to approve an amendment of the Memorandum of Approval and an allocation in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 in order to contract with a historian/writer to research, catalogue, and archive the historical records of MMAP (former name) and the five years of MDEAT as well as create an annual report for the public, and to come back to the Trust to determine the source of publication and expenditures.

Motion made by: Ms. Leigh Tony

Seconded by: Ms. Stephanye Johnson

	MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSENT
1 st Vice Chair	Butler, Ron	X		
Chairperson	Douthit, Marc, Esq.	X		
	Herbert, Stephen L.	X		
	Holland, Robert, Esq.			X
	Johnson, Stephanye	X		
	Montero, Barbara B.	X		
	Morales, Carlos E.	X		
	Ray II, George	X		
	Reverend Richardson, Walter T.			X
	Rodgers, Treska V.			X
	Sims, Charles	X		
2 nd Vice Chair	Toney, H. Leigh	X		
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	TOTALS	9	0	3

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 Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust
 Chairperson

3/20/2013
 Date

**MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MOTION AND APPROVAL BALLOT**

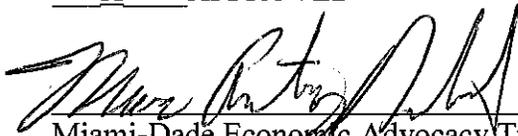
SUBJECT: Agenda Item 1B: Motion to approve an allocation in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00 for MDEAT to enter into an agreement with the Miami Dade Black Advisory Board to publish a Black Business Guide consisting of retail, wholesale, entertainment, and other services in addition to the services provided by MDEAT in the targeted urban areas (TUAs) of Miami-Dade County.

Motion made by: Ms. Leigh Tony
Seconded by: Ms. Barbara Montero

	MEMBERS	YES	NO	ABSENT
1 st Vice Chair	Butler, Ron	X		
Chairperson	Douthit, Marc, Esq.	X		
	Herbert, Stephen L.	X		
	Holland, Robert, Esq.			X
	Johnson, Stephanye	X		
	Montero, Barbara B.	X		
	Morales, Carlos E.	X		
	Ray II, George	X		
	Reverend Richardson, Walter T.			X
	Rodgers, Treska V.			X
	Sims, Charles	X		
2 nd Vice Chair	Toney, H. Leigh	X		
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Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust
Chairperson

3/20/2013
Date

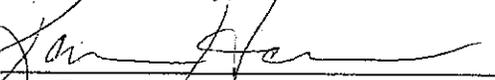
STATE OF FLORIDA)
)SS:
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE)

I, HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for Miami-Dade County, Florida,
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of said County, DO
HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the motions and
votes tallied at the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust Board of Trustee's meeting of
March 20, 2013, pertaining to agenda item(s): 1A, 1B, and 1C.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on this 15th day
of June A.D. 2013.

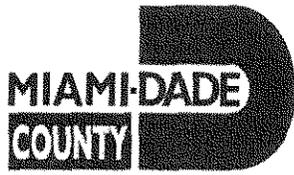


HARVEY RUVIN, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Miami-Dade County, Florida

By 
Deputy Clerk

SEAL

Board of County Commissioners
Miami-Dade County, Florida



MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

MARCH 20, 2013

Agenda



MEETING NOTICE

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

TRUSTEE BOARD MEETING

DATE: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2013

TIME: 3:30 PM

LOCATION: LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED



MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

BOARD MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20 2013 • 3:30 PM

LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED

Roll Call

- DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- QUERY FOR EARLY DEPARTURES

- Approval of Previous Minutes

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Adjournment

ACTION ITEM I A

MDEAT HISTORICAL BOOKLET



MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

MEMORANDUM OF APPROVAL

TO: MDEAT Trust Members

FROM: Ron Butler, Economic Development Action Committee Chairperson

DATE: March 12, 2012

SUBJECT: MDEAT Historical Booklet

PURPOSE OF ITEM

To request the authorization to expend funds to publish a historical booklet that provides the chronology of Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust.

BACKGROUND

As a part of an approach to enhance its presence and reinforce key relationships among stakeholders, Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) engages in a number of efforts to help tell its story – past, present and future. The EDAC believes a historical booklet can serve beneficial in the continuation of such efforts. The booklet will have an indefinite shelf life as it tells of the agency's past and current initiatives as well as give a glimpse of the possibilities for the agency.

RECOMMENDATION

MDEAT Economic Development Action Committee recommends the development of a historical booklet. The booklet will serve as a chronology of milestones dating back to the earlier '80s when Metro-Miami Action Plan Trust was first created. Bringing the booklet into reality requires contracting with a historian/writer to research and compose the agency's story. It will also require the layout, graphic design, and reproduction of a multi-page booklet to distribute to key entities such as Miami-Dade County Commission, the Black Archives, Miami-Dade Public Library System, and people who attend the annual conference in 2014.

FISCAL IMPACT

There are two options:

OPTION I: Not to exceed \$27K. The cost to produce 1500 copies of a publication with the following specs: 9 x 12 size, 48 pages + cover, perfect bound document at \$8045; full color graphic design at \$3,600; and three months of research and writing for \$15,000 (\$5k/month).

OPTION II: Not to exceed \$25,500: The cost to produce 1500 copies of a publication with the following specs: 8 x 8 size, 48 pages + cover, perfect bound document at \$6610; full color graphic design at \$3,600; and three months of research and writing for \$15,000 (\$5k/month).

ACTION ITEM I B

BLACK BUSINESS GUIDE



MEMORANDUM OF APPROVAL

TO: Members of the MDEAT Trust.

FROM: Ron Butler, Chairperson
Economic Development Action Committee

DATE: March 20, 2013

SUBJECT: Black Business Guide in Partnership with the Miami Dade Black Advisory Board.

PURPOSE OF ITEM

The purpose of this item is to approve the Miami Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) and the Miami Dade Black Advisory Board agreement to publish a Black Business Guide consisting of retail, wholesale, entertainment services, and others services throughout the Targeted Urban Areas (TUA) in Miami Dade County. The guide will also include information about MDEATS programs and initiatives throughout 2013. The cost of this initiative is not to exceed twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for the entire project, and the publication of brochure.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The project that was developed into the Partnership with The Miami Dade County Advisory Board was presented in the Economic Development Action Committee (EDAC) meeting on February 16, 2013, when Board Member H. Leigh Toney brought in a retail business guide from another city as an example of a brochure and recommended that MDEAT develop a similar guide exclusively for Black Businesses in the areas that we serve.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact is an amount not to exceed twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for the entire duration of project within the fiscal year 2013.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that MDEAT Board authorize staff to enter this partnership with th Miami Dade Advisory Board to publish a Black Business Guide for the Target Urban Areas (TUA) in Miami Dade County for the cost of twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) for the fiscal year 2013.

ACTION ITEM I C

**LEGACY MAGAZINE – TEEN COURT
ARTICLE**

INFORMATION ITEM II A

BLACK POLICE PRECINCT EVENT



INFORMATION ITEM

TO: Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) Board

FROM: Treska Rodgers, Youth Action Committee Chairperson

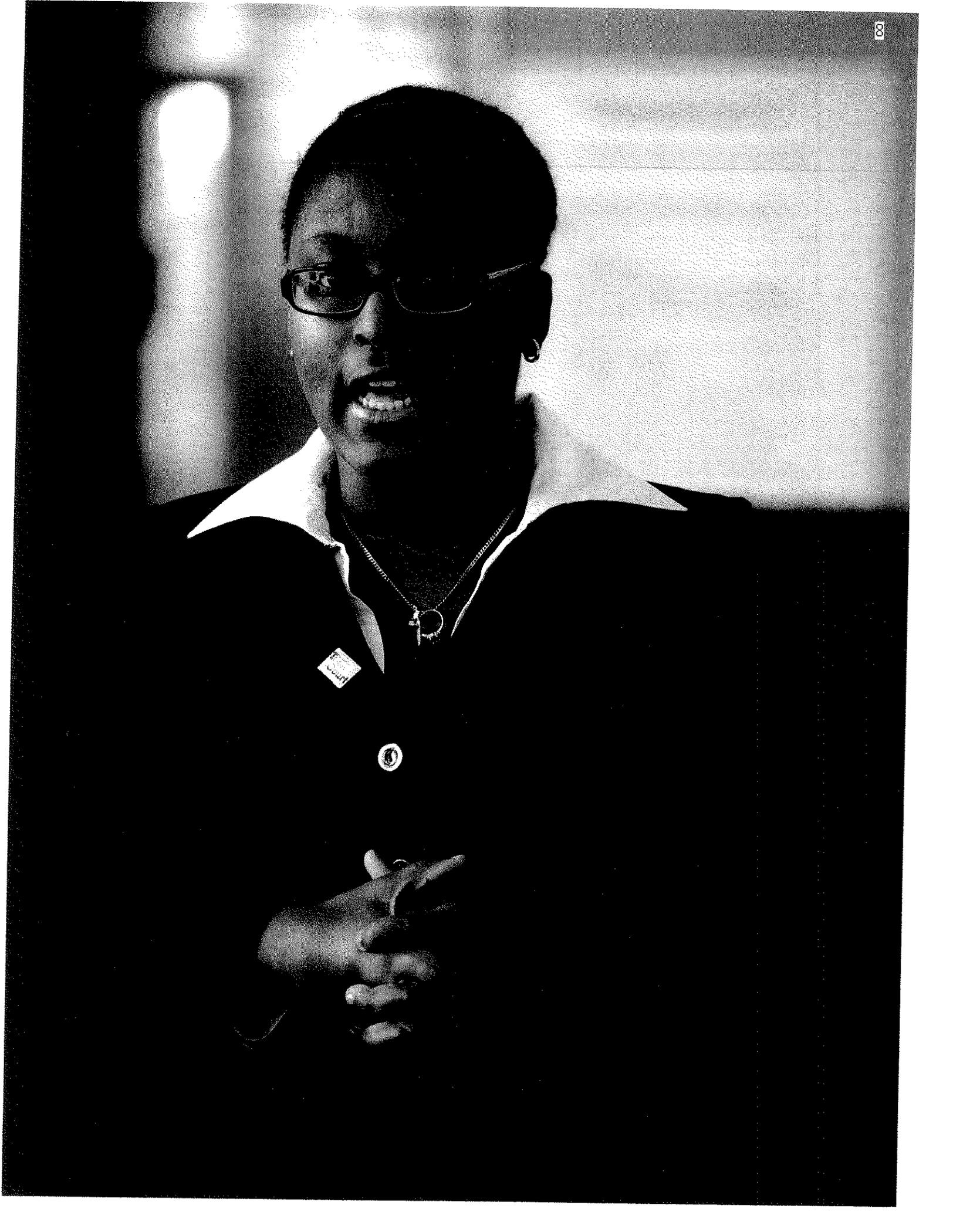
DATE: March 15, 2013

SUBJECT: The inauguration of Teen Court at the Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum in Overtown

The Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust's Miami-Dade County Teen Court (M-DCTC) in collaboration with the Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum will hold Teen Court hearings at the Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum, 480 N.W. 11th Street, Miami, Florida 33136. Court sessions will take place every fourth Monday, beginning February 2013 through September 2013. The inaugural celebration was held on Monday, February 25, 2013, followed by a Teen Court hearing which was the first actual hearing since the 1960s held at the historic Precinct. The Honorable Judge Tanya Brinkley, who has been a Teen Court Judge for more than seven (7) years, was the presiding judge at the first Teen Court hearing.

Approximately fifty (50) people attended the inauguration. The following seventeen (17) Judges were honored and received awards: Darrin Gayles, Wendell Graham, William Thomas, Donald Graham, Marcia Cook, Darrell Trawick, Orlando Prescott, Tanya Brinkley, Teretha Lundy-Thomas, Gerald Bagley, Rodney Smith, Eric Hendon, Patrick White, Gordon Murray, Karla Brown and Croly Howard. Also in attendance were special guests Chief Judge Joel Brown and the Chief new Judge elect Bertila Soto. Also Miami-Dade TV and photography was there to record the event. The South Florida Times will be running a story on the Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum event.

Conducting Teen Court hearings at the Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum provides a venue to showcase African American history and heritage, and additionally aligns with MDEAT's mission of addressing the socio-economic disparity within Miami-Dade County's Black community. MDEAT advocates and coordinates initiatives and programs for the benefit of the community-at-large as well as supports Miami-Dade County Teen Court's mission to advocate and create opportunities for youth as they strive to develop into responsible citizens.





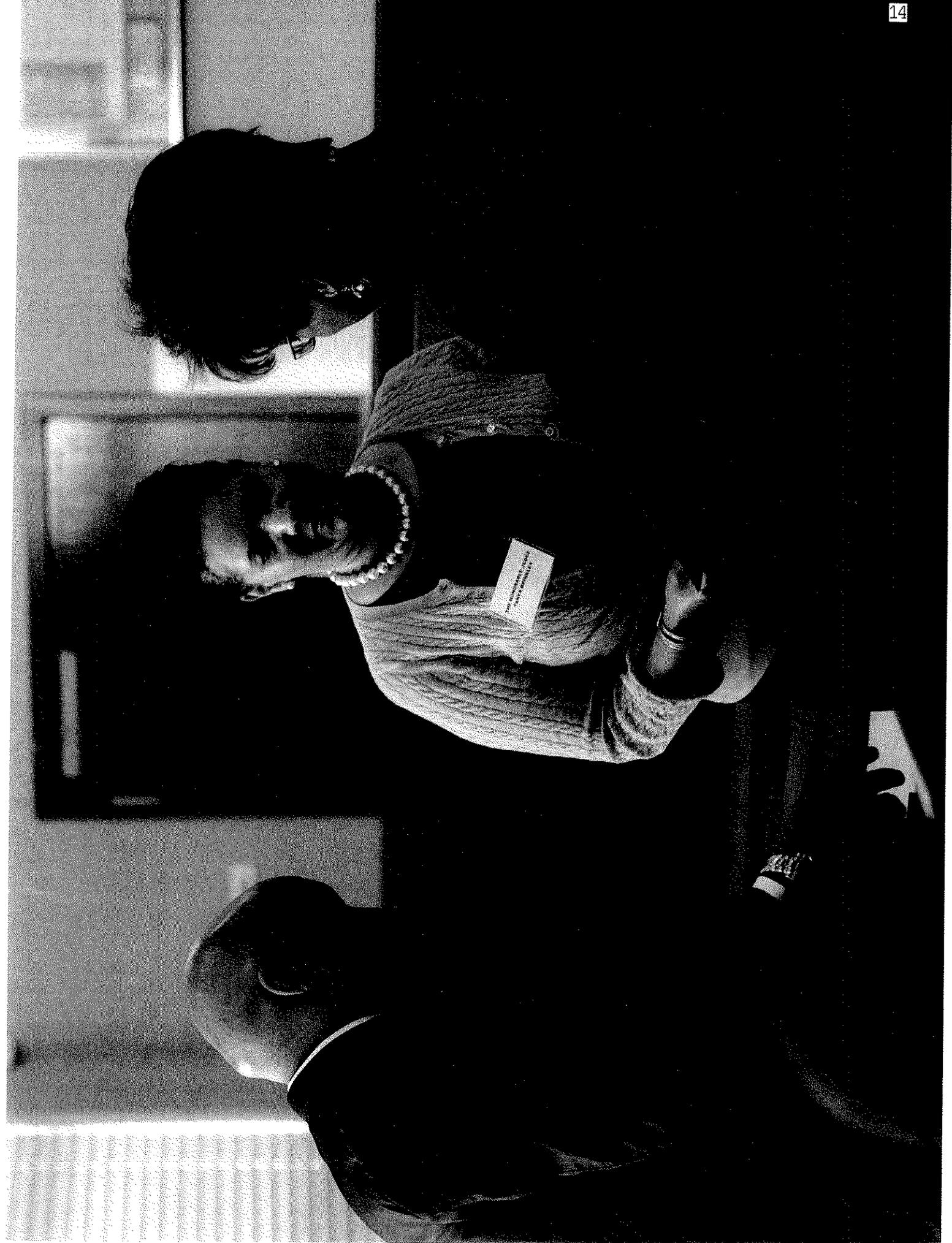


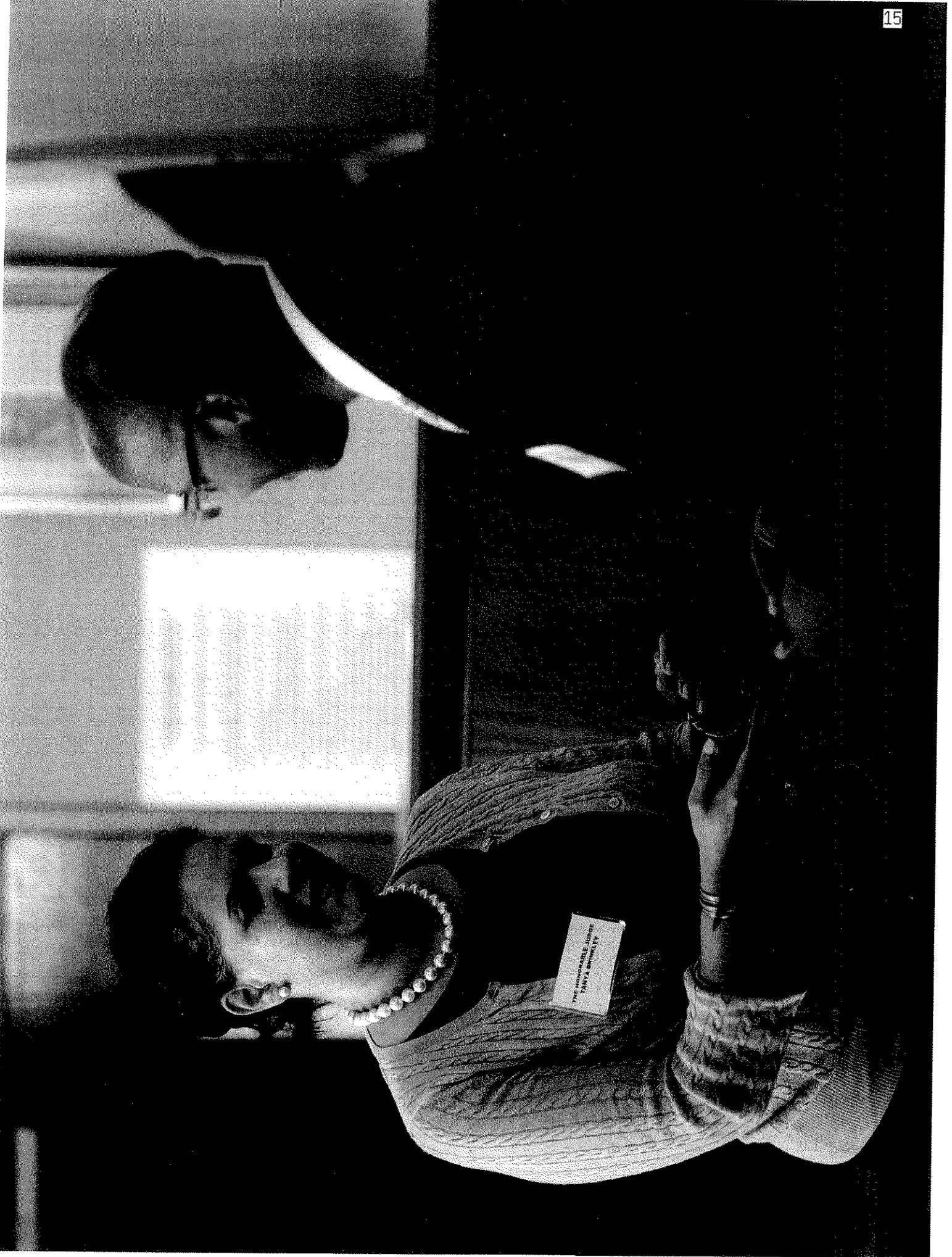
THE HONORABLE JUDGE
JOEL BROWN



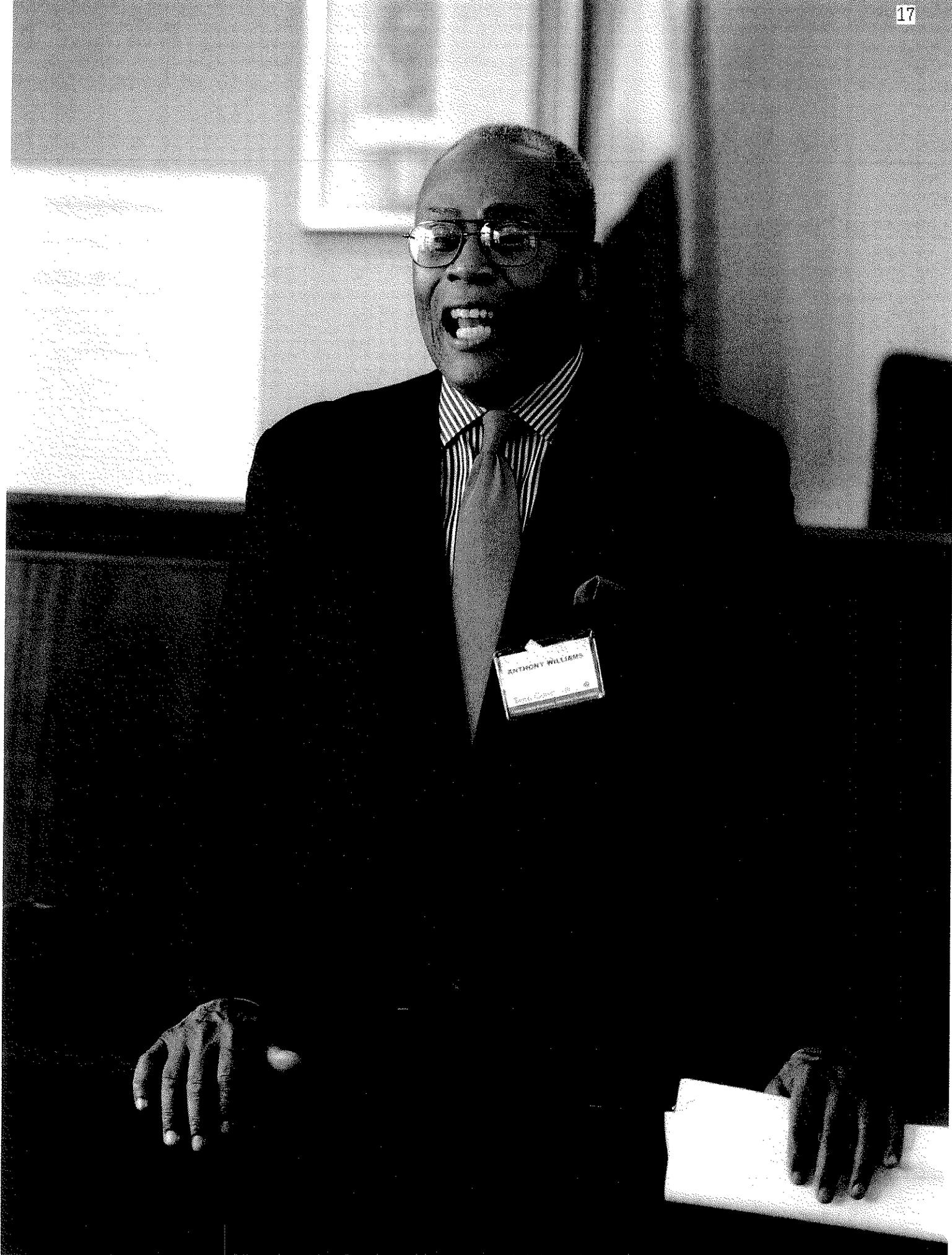














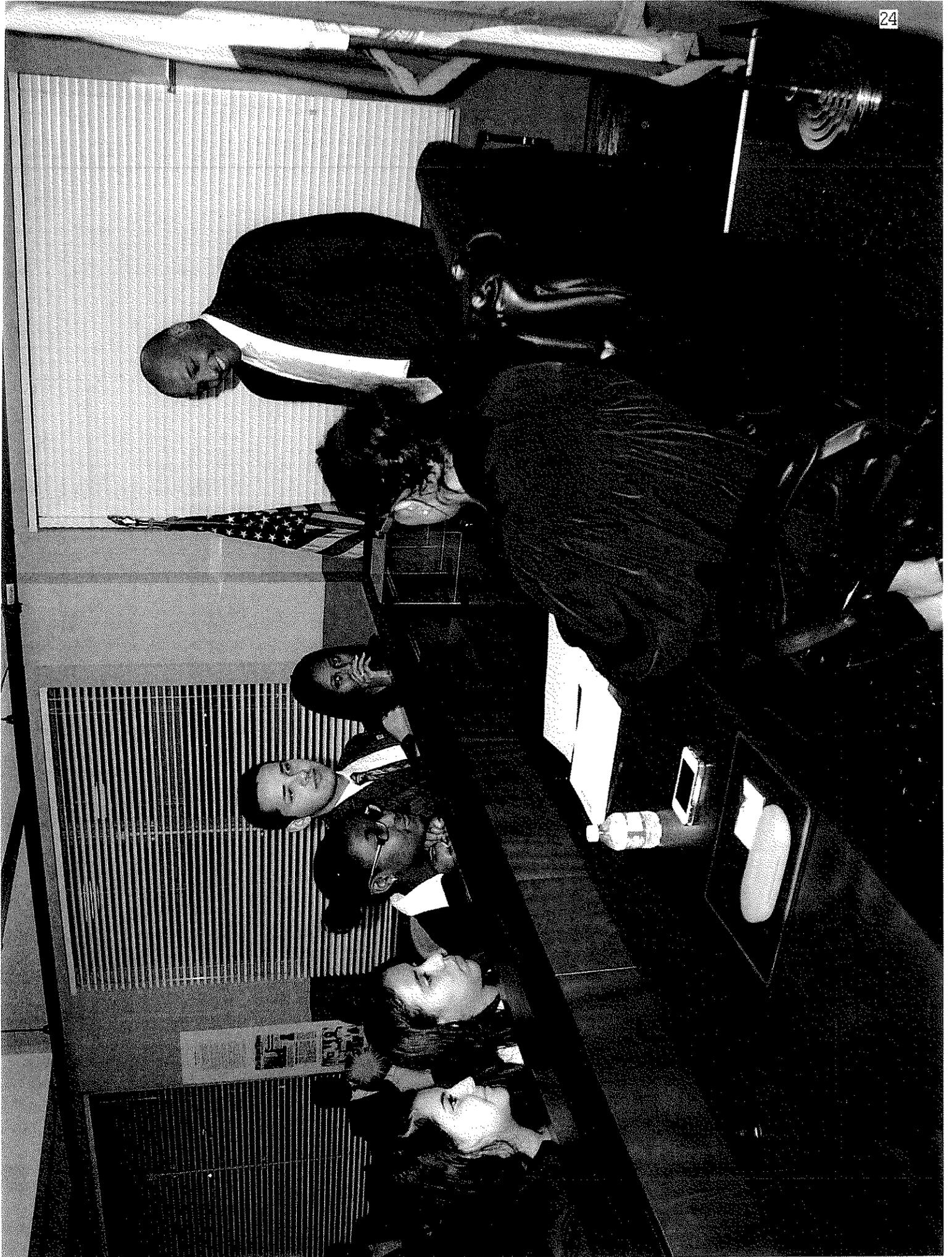












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Fiscal Report



MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

FISCAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2012/13
As of February 28, 2013

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

ADMINISTRATION (G.F.)

FISCAL MANAGEMENT REPORT FY 12/13

As of February 28, 2013

Subobject	Description	Budget	Actual	Balance
	GENERAL FUND	275,000.00		275,000
	INTERDEPARTMENTAL TRANSFERS	386,000.00		386,000
	REVENUE TOTAL	661,000.00	-	661,000.00
110	SALARIES	462,000	181,231	280,769
1010	FRINGES	99,000	45,479	53,521
22430	OTHER OUTSIDE CONTRACTS	1,000		1,000
23210	GENERAL LIABILITY	7,000	7,000	0
24130	MAINT & REPAIR:OFF MACHINES	1,000		1,000
24571	P.C. MAINT	4,000	4,395	-395
24573	HARDWARE/CABLE INSTALLATION		-98	98
25330	COPY MACHINE RENTAL	6,000	1,369	4,631
26028	GSA SERVICE TICKET	1,000	3,577	-2,577
26040	GSA WORK ORDERS	2,000		2,000
26050	GSA PRINTING & REPRODUCTION	4,000	1,343	2,657
26062	FM LT EQ MILEAGE	500	81	419
26077	FM-POOL VEHICLE HOURS	1,000	76	924
26110	DATA PROCESSING SERVICES	3,300	1,290	2,010
26613	CLERK-RECORDS STOR	200		200
31010	TELEPHONE-REGULAR	12,300	4,138	8,162
31011	TELEPHONE-LONG DISTANCE	600	83	517
31014	TELEPHONE-MTCE		168	-168
31015	CELLULAR PHONE SERVICES	3,500	733	2,767
31018	OTHER COMMUNICATION	1,500		1,500
31110	PUBLICATIONS	300		300
31210	TRAVEL EXPENSE-U.S	2,000	232	1,768
31215	TRAVEL EXPENSE-PCA	1,000	477	523
31220	REGISTRATION FEES	300		300
31320	PARKING REIMBURSEMENT	400	360	40
31401	NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT	7,500	1,031	6,469
31402	NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT	3,000		3,000
31408	RADIO ADVERTISING	9,000		9,000
31412	COMMUNITY PERIODICAL		20,593	-20,593
31420	SPONSORSHIPS/MARKETING	4,000	1,200	2,800
31510	OUTSIDE PRINTING	2,000	60	1,940
31520	GRAPHIC SERVICES	1,500	35	1,465
31540	SIGNS READY MADE		146	-146

31611 POSTAGE-REGULAR MAIL	400		400
31910 PETTY CASH EXPENDITURES	500		500
32010 INSERVICE TRAINING	500		500
33016 EMPLOYMENT PROCESS		41	-41
33050 OTHER GENERAL OPERATIONS		25	-25
43231 COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT	200		200
47010 OFFICE SUPPLIES/OUTSIDE VENDOR	500	16	484
47011 GSA CENTRAL SERVICES	4,500	1,169	3,331
49310 CLOTHING AND UNIFORMS	500		500
60620 GRANTS TO OTHERS	10,000		10,000
95021 COMPUTER EQUIPMENT	3,000		3,000
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	661,000	276,250	384,750

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (G.F.)

FISCAL MANAGEMENT REPORT FY 12/13

As of February 28, 2013

Subobject	Description	Budget	Actual	Balance
	GENERAL FUND	292,000		292,000
	REVENUE TOTAL	292,000		292,000
	110 SALARIES	71,000	29,120	41,880
	1010 FRINGES	13,000	5,855	7,145
	21110 MANAGEMENT SERVICES	20,000	7,000	13,000
	24571 P.C. MAINT		113	-113
	26050 GSA PRINTING & REPRODUCTION		462	-462
	31408 RADIO ADVERTISING		2,000	-2,000
	31510 OUTSIDE PRINTING		15	-15
	31520 GRAPHIC SERVICES		35	-35
	57000 INTRAFUND TRANSFER	50,000		50,000
	60620 GRANTS TO OTHERS	138,000	50,750	87,250
	EXPENDITURE TOTAL	292,000	95,350	196,650

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

FISCAL MANAGEMENT REPORT FY 12/13

As of February 28, 2013

Subobject	Description	Budget	Actual	Balance
R31900	OTHER TAXES	1,507,000	910,364	596,636
R36100	INTEREST EARNINGS	1,000	923	77
R36900	OTHER MISCELLANEOUS	50,000	154,260	(104,260)
R38900	ROLLOVER	305,000	574,377	(269,377)
	REVENUE TOTAL	1,863,000	1,639,924	223,076
00110	SALARIES	153,000	64,805	88,195
01010	FRINGES	32,000	14,883	17,117
21210	LEGAL COUNSEL		120	(120)
260	GSA CHARGES	1,400		1,400
266	CLERK OF COURTS	400	660	-260
315	PRINTING & GRAPHIC		45	-45
320	TRAINING	800		800
470	OFFICE SUPPLIES	400		400
510	OTHER OPERATING TRANSFER	151,000		151,000
60620	HAP PROGRAM	1,524,000	511,459	1,182,296
	EXPENDITURE TOTAL	1,863,000	591,972	1,782,487

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

TEEN COURT PROGRAM

FISCAL MANAGEMENT REPORT FY 12/13

As of February 28, 2013

Subobject Description	Budget	Actual	Balance
R35900 OTHER FINES AND/OR	1,193,000	436,233	756,767
CARRYOVER	255,000	511,203	-256,203
R36100 INTEREST EARNINGS	2,000	453	1,547
REVENUE TOTAL	1,450,000	947,889	502,111
00110 SALARIES	743,000	260,362	482,638
01010 FRINGES	154,000	57,083	96,917
22310 SECURITY SERVICES	13,200	5,584	7,616
22350 BOTTLED WATER & CHILLER	100	25	75
22430 OTHER OUTSIDE CONTRACTS	2,500		2,500
24130 MAINT & REPAIR:OFF MACHINES	1,000	367	633
25330 COPY MACHINE RENTA	5,000	1,463	3,537
25511 PAYMENTS TO LESSOR	12,400		12,400
26032 GSA AFT.HOUR CHRGS	13,000	2,040	10,960
26050 GSA PRINTING & REPRODUCTION	5,000	1,651	3,349
26051 GSA POSTAGE	500	66	434
26052 GSA WAREHOUSE TRANSFER	500		500
26062 FM LT EQ MILEAGE	3,000	650	2,350
26077 FM-POOL VEHICLE HOURS	1,000	308	692
31210 TRAVEL EXPENSE-U.S	2,000	463	1,537
31220 REGISTRATION FEES	900	200	700
31402 NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT	5,000		5,000
31420 SPONSORSHIPS/MARKETING	5,000		5,000
31510 OUTSIDE PRINTING	600	120	480
31520 GRAPHIC SERVICES	300		300
31611 POSTAGE-REGULAR MAIL	500		500
33016 EMPLOYMENT PROCESS		41	-41
33050 OTHER GENERAL OPERATIONS		50	-50
41016 GASOLINE-UNLEADED		27	-27
47011 GSA CENTRAL SERVICES	6,000	2,153	3,847
49310 CLOTHING AND UNIFORMS	1,000		1,000
51098 OTHER OPERATING TRANSFER	185,000		185,000
60220 TRANSPORTATION	1,500		1,500
60620 GRANTS TO OTHERS	288,000		288,000
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	1,450,000	332,653	1,117,347

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V. B

HOUSING UNIT REPORT

**MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST
FEBRUARY 2013
HOUSING OUTREACH & EDUCATION REPORT**



HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HAP)

During the period of February 1, 2013, through February 28, 2013, thirteen (13) HAP loan applications were submitted totaling \$1,902,569 in first mortgages with a \$1,944,150 aggregate purchase price. There was \$7,500 in Miami-Dade County and other (non-county) administered subsidy program funds associated with those loans.

During the same period of February 1, 2013, through February 28, 2013, fifteen (15) families purchased homes using \$80,300 in HAP funds. These loans generated \$1,185,477 in first mortgages with a \$2,110,000 aggregate purchase price. There were \$150,000 Miami-Dade County subsidy program funds and \$93,500 non-county funded subsidy mortgages linked to these closings. HAP loans have thereby increased this year's county property tax roll by an estimated, additional \$37,500 based on an average tax bill of \$2500 (see the February 2013 Production Report for statistical details).

HAP FUNDING & TRAINING SEMINARS

Certification Workshops on HAP and other subsidy program usage and operations are generally held every 6-8 weeks. Individual mortgage originators and title/ closing agents must get approved to submit and close HAP files. Realtor and developer attendance is highly recommended but not required at this time.

The most recent HAP Certification Workshop was held on February 20, 2013, at the Joseph Caleb Center with forty-eight mortgage lending, real estate and title professionals in attendance. The training includes a detailed discussion on the operation and funding of MDEATs HAP along with an overview of funding sources, timeframes, set-up and use of Down-payment Assistance Program (DAP/ DPA) funds in general.

Signed Agreements are required for individuals seeking HAP participation along with affiliated company licensing information for monitoring and tracking purposes.

MDEAT receives eight percent (8.00%) of the Documentary Surtax Funds sent to Miami-Dade County on a monthly basis. MDEATs HAP has funded 94 first-time homebuyers for \$514,059 in fiscal year 2012-13 to date.

HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SPECIAL INITIATIVES

There are no special housing program initiatives active at this time. Planned initiatives or projects at this time include incorporating a "Streamline 203(k)" pilot component into the HAP, collaborating on a Lease-Purchase Program Initiative and collaborating on "Foreclosed Homes Recycling" Initiative.

The aforementioned "Streamline 203(k)" pilot is budgeted for in FY2012-13 Surtax funds with an anticipated launch in the 3rd quarter. Design and structure for this pilot along with a list of initial participants and criteria for participation will begin with planning meetings commencing in March 2013. Collaboration and matching funds from partnering source(s) is being sought to consider other projects and initiatives.

HOMEOWNERSHIP EDUCATION & OUTREACH

- Presenter at the NID Housing Counseling Agency 1st-Time Homebuyer Education Workshop held at the Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Miami Gardens: Presentation topics included supplements to the Mortgage Process (“*Searching for a Loan*”) along with MDEAT’s HAP and MDEAT’s role in usage with other subsidy program funds, other available Down-payment Assistance Programs (DAP/ DPA) and how they integrate into the mortgage process. Twenty-five (25) attendees participated on 2/09/13.
- Participated in the CFED (Corporation for Enterprise Development) “Assets and Opportunities Scorecard” review webinar on 1/30/13 and 2/05/13. Both housing and small business data and statistics were provided in national rankings and state specific numbers and percentages. Listed data will be captured for future reference.
- Participant at Opa Locka CDC's Community Fund of North Miami Dade (CLFMD) Loan Committee Meeting on 2/13/13. Past performance and funding for both the rehab program and the loan fund were reviewed and discussed along with budget and upcoming production information.

MIAMI DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST (MDEAT) HOMEOWNERSHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HAP) February 2013			
General Statistics	February 2013	YTD Feb. 2013	
Total Applicants	13	100	
Total Purchase Price	\$1,944,150.00	\$13,775,726.00	
Total amount in 1st Mortgages	\$1,902,569.00	\$13,368,834.00	
Total Amt SURTAX & Other Subsidies	\$7,500.00	\$268,500.00	
Total Loans	15	94	
Total MMAP Funding	\$80,300.00	\$514,059.00	
Total Purchase Price	\$2,110,000.00	\$13,417,526.00	
Average Sales Price	\$140,666.67	\$142,739.64	
Total amount in 1st Mortgages	\$1,825,477.00	\$12,883,727.00	
Average 1st Mortgage	\$121,698.47	\$137,060.93	
Total Amt SURTAX Funding	\$150,000.00	\$220,000.00	
Other Loans	\$93,500.00	\$103,500.00	
Estimated Increase to Tax Base*	\$37,500.00	\$235,000.00	
* Based on annual taxes of \$2500/yr.	Ave. HAP Ln Amt. YTD=	\$5,468.71	
	Ave. HAP Ln Amt. Feb13=	\$5,353.33	
Head of Household			
Female	9	48	
Male	6	46	
Total	15	94	
Ethnicity			
Black	3	28	
Hispanic	11	58	
White	0	6	
Other	1	2	
Total	15	94	
Median Income Level			
Very Low	0	6	
Low	6	41	
Median	0	9	
Median Moderate	9	38	
Total	15	94	
Commission District			
District 1 - Barbara Jordan	5	18	
District 2 - Jean Monestime	1	5	
District 3 - Audrey Edmonson	0	1	
District 4 - Sally A. Heyman	0	0	
District 5 - Bruno A. Barreiro	0	0	
District 6 - Rebecca Sosa	0	0	
District 7 - Xavier L. Suarez	0	0	
District 8 - Linda Bell	2	23	
District 9 - Dennis C. Moss	4	26	
District 10 - Javier D. Souto	0	4	
District 11 - Juan C. Zapata	1	7	
District 12 - Jose "Pepe" Diaz	1	8	
District 13 - Esteban Bovo Jr.	1	2	
Total	15	94	

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V. C

TEEN COURT UNIT REPORT

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST

TEEN COURT REPORT

To: Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) Board
From: John E. Dixon, Executive Director
Date: February 11, 2013
Subject: Comprehensive Teen Court Report for February 2013

PURPOSE OF ITEM

The purpose of this item is to inform the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) Board, of Miami-Dade County Teen Court (M-DCTC) performance and activities for the month of February.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Program Activities

February 12th, 25th, and 27th of 2013: Teen Court staff conducted *Victim's Awareness Panel Workshop (VAP)*-an interactive workshop that sparks dialogue between participants, parents and/or guardians. Forty-seven (47) individuals comprised of both program participants and their parents discussed the value of forgiveness, restoration, and repair of lost trust as well as how various crimes committed impact the family and community.

February 20, 2013: In collaboration with Miami-Dade County Corrections and Rehabilitation, nineteen (19) Teen Court youth were afforded an opportunity to attend the Turner Gilford Knight (TGK) Correctional Facility Jail Tour and fourteen (14) participated in the Boot Camp Jail Tour. These tours serve as crime prevention and intervention tools, providing participants with an understanding of the consequences of engaging in negative actions.

February 25, 2013: Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust's Teen Court Program launched an event resulting from collaboration forged with The Black Police Precinct & Courthouse Museum. This night marked Teen Court's first Monday night peer-jury trials, held in the Black Police Precinct & Courthouse Museum's courtroom. Beginning on February 25, 2013, and each consecutive fourth Monday night, continuing up through September of 2013, Teen Court hearings will be conducted at this location. The Black Police Precinct & Courthouse Museum opened its doors in 1950, providing a station

house for African American policemen as well as a courtroom for African American judges to adjudicate African American defendants, during a time marked by critical race relations in Miami, Florida, specifically impacting Overtown and Liberty City.

Hosting this kick-off of event, in February, at the Precinct and Courthouse Museum, helped support the recognition of African American law enforcement and judicial icons who have historically contributed to the well-being of the Miami-Dade County community and society overall. During the event, Miami-Dade Judges of African descent were honored with tokens of appreciation. Additionally, special guest and honorees attending the event consisted of, Miami-Dade Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, Commissioner Jean Monestime, first Haitian American ever elected to Miami-Dade's Board of County Commissioners, Chief Clarence Dickson, City of Miami Police Department's first police chief, recently appointed Director J.D. Patterson, of Miami-Dade County Police Department, The Honorable Chief Judge Joel H. Brown, of Florida's 11th Judicial Circuit, The Honorable Teretha Lundy Thomas, and newly elected Honorable Tanya J. Brinkley, who also serves as a volunteer Teen Court Program judge.

In line with Teen Court's mission, to advocate and create opportunities for youth to develop into responsible citizens, the affair was steered by one of Teen Court's student volunteer attorney's, Ms. Kiara Lavin, of Law Enforcement Academy, who served as Mistress of Ceremonies. More than 50 people were in attendance. Undoubtedly, this event will be long remembered among Miami-Dade County's legal and judicial history.

Program Performance

Referrals: Teen Court received a combined total of forty-nine (49) referrals from the Juvenile Services Department's (JSD's), Department of Juvenile Justice, Prevention Initiative Program (PIP) and Civil Citation Program.

Community Service: Teen Court generated five hundred twenty (520) community service hours. This total included one hundred thirty-six (136) completed by defendants, two hundred forty-six (246) performed by youth volunteers, and one hundred thirty-eight (138) community service hours were provided by adults, serving as jury monitors as well as legal professionals volunteering as judges, presiding over Teen Court hearings.

Offender Information for February 2013

Referrals per fiscal year:

12/31/98 – 09/30/99	334	Carried Over	5,299
10/01/99 – 09/30/00	506	10/01/12 – 10/31/12	43
10/01/00 – 09/30/01	323	11/01/12 – 11/30/12	29
10/01/01 – 09/30/02	336	12/01/12 – 12/30/12	30
10/01/02 – 09/30/03	293	01/01/13 – 01/31/13	61
10/01/03 – 09/30/04	390	02/01/13 – 02/28/13	49
10/01/04 – 09/30/05	267		
10/01/05 – 09/30/06	215		
10/01/06 – 09/30/07	245		
10/01/07 – 09/30/08	356		
10/01/08 – 09/30/09	424		
10/01/09 – 09/30/10	454		
10/01/10 – 09/30/11	619		
10/01/11 – 09/30/12	537		
	5,299	TOTAL REFERRALS	5,511

Monthly Sanctions for Referrals Completed (February 2013)

Anti-Theft Class Attendees	53	Jail Tour Attendees	33
Curfew	0	Jury Duties Completed	181
Declined referrals	1	Letter of Apology/Closed	10
Civics and Business Attendees	0	Peer Circle Attendees	42
Substance Abuse Attendees	15	Restitution	0
Essay Completed/Closed Cases	10	Victim Awareness Panel	
Ethics Workshops Attendees	39	Workshop Attendees	47
Hours of Community Service/ Closed Cases	136	Verbal Apology to Parent	24
		Psychological Services	33

Offenses and Number of Charges:

Note: Some defendants have multiple charges

Aggressive Behavior	2
Anger Issues	2
Attempted Burglary	2
Argumentative	1
Bad Grades	3
Battery on LEO	1
Criminal Mischief	2
Defiant	5
Disorderly Conduct	2
Disrespectful	2
Drug Paraphernalia	1
Drug Use	1
Grand Theft	3
Larceny Petit Shoplifting	3
Lying	2
Petit Theft	3
Physical Aggression	2
Possession of Alcohol	2
Possession of Marijuana	4
Resisting with Violence	1
Retail Theft	1
Simple Battery	5
Skipping School	1
Theft	10

Referral Sources:

Department of Juvenile Justice	12
Miami-Dade County	
School Based Referrals	0
Civil Citation Program	23
State Attorney's Office	0
Prevention Initiative Program (PIP)	14
Psychological Service	
Other Agencies	

Age:

Six	1
Seven	1
Eight	1
Nine	1
Ten	0
Eleven	0
Twelve	9
Thirteen	4
Fourteen	10
Fifteen	4
Sixteen	10
Seventeen	8
Eighteen	0

Trespass after warning _____ 1
Violent _____ 1

Race:
African American _____ 21
Caucasian _____ 2
Hispanic _____ 26

Gender:
Female _____ 17
Male _____ 32

Commission Districts February 2013:

1 _____ 0	7 _____ 4	13 _____ 1
2 _____ 8	8 _____ 8	Broward _____ 1
3 _____ 1	9 _____ 16	
4 _____ 3	10 _____ 4	
5 _____ 0	11 _____ 1	
6 _____ 0	12 _____ 2	

Commission Districts for Fiscal Year 10/01/12 – 09/31/13

1 _____ 16	7 _____ 12	13 _____ 6
2 _____ 21	8 _____ 34	Broward _____ 2
3 _____ 22	9 _____ 52	
4 _____ 13	10 _____ 9	
5 _____ 10	11 _____ 10	
6 _____ 6	12 _____ 8	

COMPARISON OF YEAR-TO-DATE REFERRALS

Referrals for 10/01/11 – 09/30/12		Referrals 10/01/12– 09/30/13	
Date cases received	No.	Date cases received	No.
10/01/11 – 10/31/11	22	10/01/12 – 10/31/12	43
11/01/11 – 11/30/11	53	11/01/12 – 11/30/12	29
12/01/11 – 12/31/11	84	12/01/12 – 12/31/12	30
01/01/12 - 01/31/12	55	01/01/13 – 01/31/13	61
02/01/12 – 02/29/12	60	02/01/13 -02/28/13	49
TOTAL	274	TOTAL	212

DEPARTMENTAL MONTHLY REPORT

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PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT

Memorandum



TO: Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust Board
THRU: John E. Dixon, Jr., Executive Director
DATE: Wednesday, March 20, 2013
SUBJECT: Marketing and Public Information Report

For your review, please find below the activities that were implemented to help the agency reach its audience via visual communications and printed materials for February 2013 – March 2013.

Offices of Marketing and Public Information provides assistance to the MDEAT Trust, Action Committees Chairpersons and staff liaisons, CBO's, and residents announcing our advocacy efforts and community empowerment initiatives. A multi-mix of collateral materials and promotional information are utilized to deliver the MDEAT message including: letters, flyers, radio and newspaper advertising placement, television interviews, news articles, press releases, photos, website event placement and updates, email listings, and other functions. Offices of Marketing and Public Information assist with logistics of all MDEAT events. All are available for your review and comply with county branding.

- A. The unit continually provides support to the MDEAT Trust Board, Executive Director, Economic Development Unit, Housing Assistance Program, Teen Court Program, Procurement/Purchasing Liaison, Fiscal Unit, and other operations of the agency.
- B. Post and edit all scheduled meetings for the MDEAT Board, and Action Committees along with other agency notifications.
- C. Monitor all Miami-Dade Board of County Commission and Commission Committee meetings.
- D. Continuously monitor newspapers, websites, magazines, radio, and TV broadcasts.
- E. Youth Action Committee (YAC)
 Miami-Dade County Teen Court Program

Prepared printed materials, press releases, and assist with outreach for the program. In addition, implement radio and newspaper awareness for the program.

1. Working on 2nd draft for Winter edition 2013
2. Completed work on Teen Court's inauguration of holding court at the historical Black Precinct & Courthouse Museum: Included write-up on MDEAT website; press release; post press release; day of event program; certificates for Black judges; flyers/evite; Welcome poster and background posters; County's Black History Month webpage; Web news (newsletter); MDEAT homepage; Miami-Dade TV Interview; distribution of press release and post press release; sent photos to South Florida Times.

F. Housing Advocacy Committee - Housing Assistance Program (HAP)

Prepared printed materials, press releases, and assisted with outreach for the committee. In addition, implement radio and newspaper awareness for the program.

Pending:

1. Reviewing 2nd Draft for Housing Brochure.
2. Working with PR Housing Subcommittee on future initiatives and events.
3. Create press releases for trainings as needed
4. Discussing and coordinating logistics for a large housing event
5. Worked on language translations for materials and in the process of updating Housing section on our webpages.

G. Economic Development Action Committee

1. Second Annual Business Breakfast Series: Scouted and confirmed location, Romo's Restaurant in Opa-locka; confirmed speaker, Howard Brown, City of Opa-locka Community Development Director; invite flyers and email version of flyer; grass roots PR by visiting Opa-locka businesses; community calendar postings online and newspaper, including WEDR Community calendar, American Towns Miami Florida Events Community calendar, HOT 105 Community Calendar, Miami Herald Community Calendar under Business, South Florida Times Community Calendar; write-up on our home webpage; press release; post press release; coordinated County photographer for day of event; distribution of press release and post press release; and promo giveaway, mugs.
2. MLK Business EXPO; Miami-Dade TV News, Miami-Dade Now and the Spanish Version of the show, Miami-Dade Ahora included a segment on the event, which is also on YouTube: <http://youtu.be/UbW6vko1PP0> and Spanish show: http://youtu.be/T_tabfKFORk.

H. New Board Member Recruitment

1. Updated the MDEAT Website

I. Updated the MDEAT New website

1. Second Annual Business Breakfast Series – write-up and invite
2. Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust Celebrates Black History Month Post Press Release

J. Revising/upgrading all promotional materials:

1. Scheduled photo shoot for New Board members
2. Teen Court Brochure submitted for updates
3. Housing Program Brochure – in draft stages
4. Economic Development Brochure – in draft stages
5. Met with County's Social Media staff – discussed MDEAT possibilities for Social Media exposure.
6. Met with Miami-Dade TV to discuss upcoming events and exposure on show.

- K. MDEAT Newsletter –sent follow-up email to County staff about the creation of a MDEAT email newsletters and will meet last week of March.

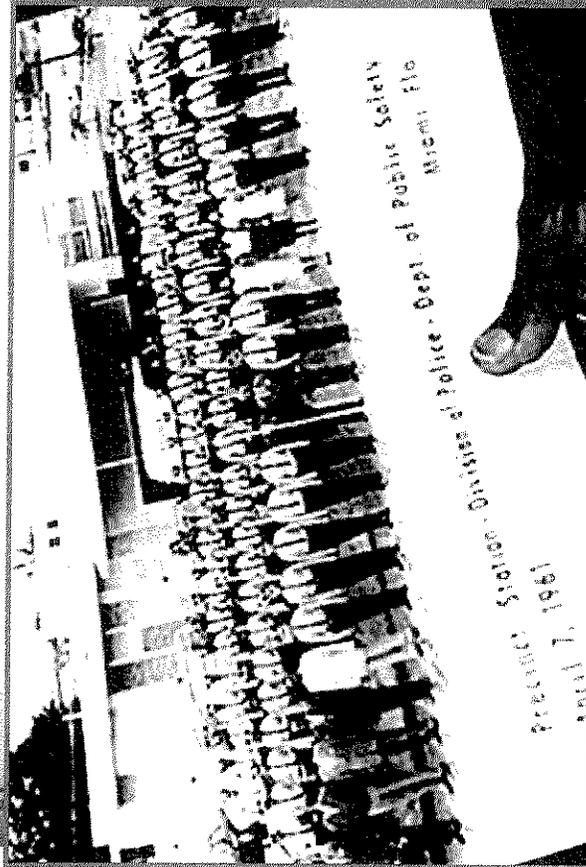
Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust
Celebrates Black History Month

Miami-Dade County Teen Court

Join Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust's
Miami-Dade County Teen Court
in the inauguration of holding Teen Court
hearings at the historical
Black Police Precinct & Courthouse Museum.

Monday, February 25, 2013
5:00 p.m.
480 N.W. 11 Street
Miami, FL 33136

www.miamidade.gov/economicadvocacytrust
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
February 19, 2013

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MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST's
Miami-Dade County Teen Court
To hold
Court hearings for the first time since the 1960s
at the historical
Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum in Overtown

(MIAMI, February 19, 2013) - Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust's Miami-Dade County Teen Court (M-DCTC) in collaboration with the Black Police Precinct & Courthouse Museum will hold Teen Court hearings at the Black Police Precinct & Courthouse Museum, 480 NW 11 Street, Miami, Florida 33136. Court sessions will take place every fourth Monday, beginning February 2013 through September 2013. The inaugural celebration will be held on Monday, February 25, 2013, at 5:00 p.m., followed by a Teen Court hearing which will be the first actual hearing since the 1960s held at the historic Precinct. The Honorable Judge Tanya Brinkley will be the presiding judge at the first Teen Court hearing and has been a Teen Court Judge for more than seven years.

Conducting Teen Court hearings at the Black Police Precinct & Courthouse Museum provides a venue to showcase African American history and heritage, and additionally aligns with MDEAT's mission of addressing the socio-economic disparity within Miami-Dade County's Black community. MDEAT advocates and coordinates initiatives and programs for the benefit of the community-at-large as well as supports Miami-Dade County Teen Court's mission to advocate and create opportunities for youth as they strive to develop into responsible citizens.

The collaborating entity, the Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum, reflects the racial segregation that once extended to every facet of life for Black people living in Miami. It opened its doors in 1950, providing Black police patrols with a precinct, and a courthouse that were established in response to a variety of issues impacting Overtown and Liberty City. One main issue was the growth of the Black population, and the pressure to increase police presence and protection in overcrowded Black communities.

WHO: Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust's Teen Court

WHAT: First Teen Court hearing at the historical Black Police Precinct

and Courthouse Museum in Overtown

WHEN: Monday, February 25, 2013
5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
(Teen Court hearing immediately following the opening ceremonies)

WHERE: Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum in Overtown
480 NW 11 Street
Miami, Florida 33136

For more information, visit www.miamidade.gov/economicadvocacytrust or contact Anthony D. Williams, Teen Court Youth Development Division Director at 305-375-5661 or email awill1@miamidade.gov.

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**Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust
Celebrates Black History Month**

Miami-Dade County
Teen Court

Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) Presents
the Inauguration of Teen Court Hearings at the Black Precinct & Courthouse Museum

Monday, February 25, 2013

5:00 p.m.

Introduction	Anthony D. Williams, Youth Division/Teen Court Director Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust	
	Mistress of Ceremonies Ms. Kiara Lavin, Teen Court Volunteer 9th Grade, Law Enforcement Academy	
Greetings	The Honorable Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson Miami-Dade County District 3	
	The Honorable Joel H. Brown, Chief Judge Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court in Florida	
	The Honorable Teretha Lundy Thomas, Judge Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court in Florida, Juvenile Division	
	Marc A. Douthit, Esq., Chairperson Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust	
Occasion	Anthony D. Williams, Youth Division/Teen Court Director Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust	
Presentation of Awards	The Honorable Tanya J. Brinkley, Judge Miami-Dade County Teen Court Volunteer Judge	Marc A. Douthit, Esq., Chairperson Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust
Wrap-Up	John E. Dixon, Jr., Executive Director Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust	

Teen Court is a Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust Program.

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MIAMI-DADE ECONOMIC ADVOCACY TRUST'S
Miami-Dade County Teen Court
 Inaugurates Court hearings at the historic Black Police Precinct and
 Courthouse Museum in Overtown



Commissioner Edmonson, District 3 and Commissioner Monestime, District 2

(MIAMI, March 8, 2013) - Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust's Miami-Dade County Teen Court (M-DCTC) held the first court hearing at the Black Police Precinct & Courthouse Museum since the 1960s. The first hearing took place during Black History Month and will continue through September 2013.

The inaugural celebration held on February 25, 2013, was an auspicious occasion where honorable judges from South Florida were there to be acknowledged during Black History Month. MDEAT's Teen Court presented the Black judges with an award to thank them for their devoted service to the community.

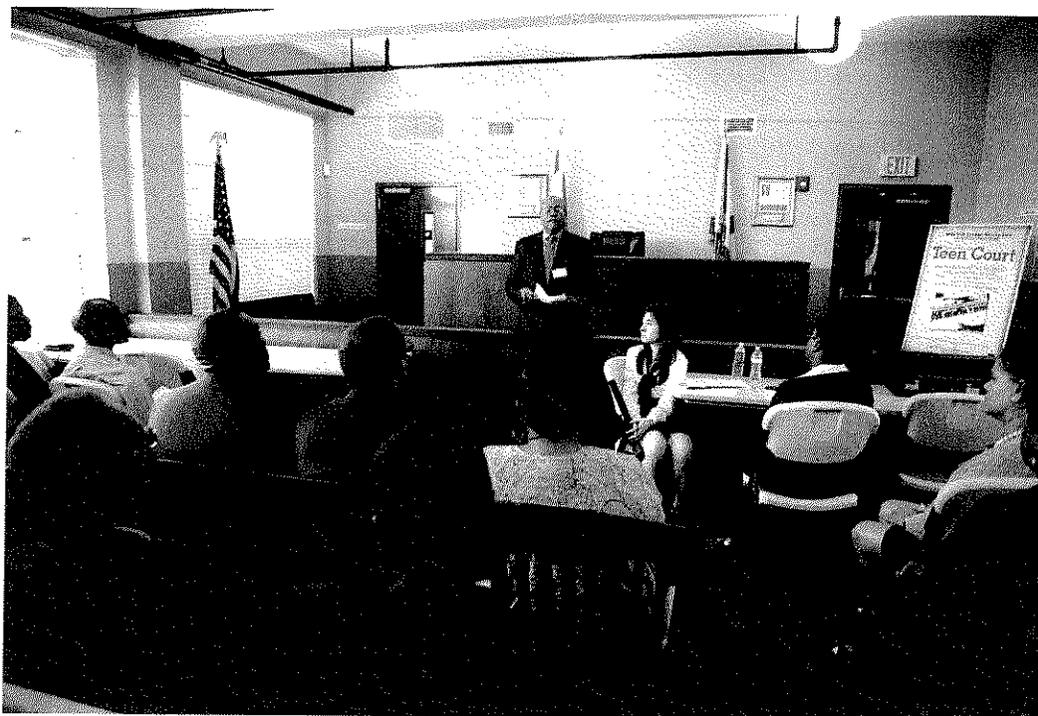
The Honorable Commissioners Audrey M. Edmonson, District 3, and Jean Monestime, District 2, greeted the audience and kicked-off the evening's program. The Honorable Joel H. Brown, Chief Circuit Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida graced the audience by stating a few words about Teen Court, and introduced the new Chief Circuit Judge, Bertila Soto that will be taking over his position. Following the award presentation, a Teen Court hearing took place that captivated the audience's attention. The Honorable Judge Tanya Brinkley presided as the judge at this inaugural hearing conducted at the Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum.

Judge Brinkley is a very devoted Teen Court volunteer and stated, "I am always impressed with the exceptional skills, commitment, and overall talent that the teen attorneys possess. Teen Court is an amazing opportunity for our youth to participate in legal proceedings in a manner which allows them to better understand the process, and the ultimate consequences of their actions. I am always humbled to be a part of Teen Court, and positively interact with our youth."



Top Row (left to right): Davie Madison, Black Precinct and Courthouse Museum Board Member; Anthony D. Williams, Teen Court Youth Development Division Director; Judge Darrin P. Gayles; Chief Clarence Dickson, the first black chief of the Miami Police Department and Black Precinct and Courthouse Museum Board Member; Stephen L. Herbert, MDEAT Board Member; Center: Presiding Judge, Tanya Brinkley; Bottom Row (left to right): Juan Aspajo, Teen Court, with Teen Court Youth Volunteers.

John E. Dixon, Jr., MDEAT Executive Director, expressed, "I was thrilled to be able to partner the Black Precinct and Courthouse Museum in order to promote the awareness of the Museum in Overtown, and the outstanding job that the Miami-Dade County Teen Court Volunteers perform every week in court."



Anthony D. Williams, Teen Court Youth Development Division Director

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Miami-Dade County Teen Court

Certificate of Appreciation

In recognition of service as a Black Judge in Miami-Dade County
This certificate is awarded to



Marc A. Douthit, Esq.
MDEAT Chairperson

Anthony D. Williams
Teen Court Youth Development Division Director

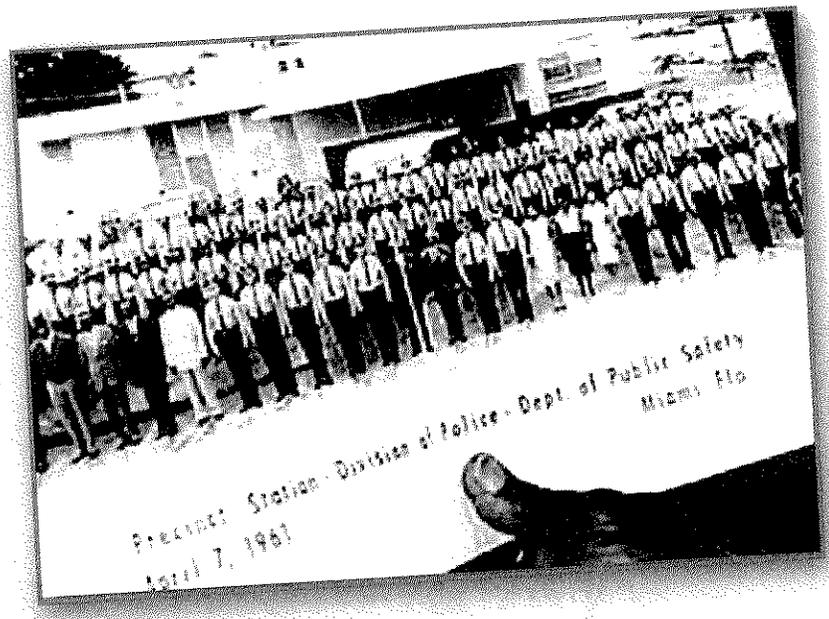
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Miami-Dade County Teen Court

Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT)
and Miami-Dade County Teen Court
Welcome you to the inauguration of Teen Court
hearings at the historic
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Economic Advocacy Trust's
Economic Development Action Committee
presents the

2nd Business Breakfast Series

Thursday, March 14, 2013
7:30 a.m.

Special Guest Speaker:

Howard Brown

Community Development Director

City of Opa-locka

Topic of Discussion:

Targeted Urban Area - Opa-locka

Romo's Restaurant

13300 NW 42nd Avenue

Opa-locka, FL 33054

*Participants can purchase
breakfast at a special price.*

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**Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust's
Economic Development Action Committee
Presents
The 2nd Annual Business Breakfast Series**

(MIAMI, March 13, 2013) – The Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) Economic Development Action Committee presents the Second Annual Business Breakfast Series. The first breakfast will take place on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at Romo's Restaurant, 13300 NW 42nd Avenue, Opa-locka. Special guest speaker, Howard Brown, City of Opa-locka Community Development Director, will discuss Opa-locka Targeted Urban Area and future business opportunities.

In keeping with the commitment as a community advocate, MDEAT's Economic Development Action Committee is working with the Targeted Urban Areas in Miami-Dade County and gathering small businesses to network and explore opportunities in those areas.

MDEAT's Economic Development Action Committee serves as the community's vehicle to express concerns about economic development projects and events. The Economic Development Action Committee meets monthly at designated meeting sites to address citizens' issues. All meetings are open to the public. The members of this committee include community leaders, economic development professionals, business representatives, and individuals from the community.

WHO: Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust's Teen Court

WHAT: MDEAT Business Breakfast Series 2013

WHEN: Thursday, March 14, 2013
7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

WHERE: Romo's Restaurant
13300 NW 42nd Avenue
Opa-locka, Florida 33054

For more information or to join MDEAT's Economic Development Action Committee, please visit www.miamidade.gov/mdeat or call 305-375-5661, ext. 93472.

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