

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY

Date: February 11, 2009

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Agenda Item No. 3(F)

To: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: FY 2009-10 Human and Criminal Justice Services CBO Funding Process, Service
Priority Areas, and Percentage Allocations

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve the Human and Criminal Justice Services Community-based Organization (CBO) Funding and Request for Proposals (RFP) process, service priority areas, and percentage allocations for funding commencing in FY 2009-10.

Scope

The Human and Criminal Justice Services CBO Funding and RFP process provides details regarding the RFP process, service priority areas, percentage allocations for funding, performance-based contracting, and outcome measurement for CBOs providing human and criminal justice services throughout the County beginning in FY 2009-10.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

Funding for CBOs will be determined as part of the budget process for FY 2009-10 and annually thereafter. The total budgeted for FY 2008-09 is approximately \$30.4 million.

Track Record/Monitor

The Office of Grants Coordination (OGC) will be responsible for the continued development and implementation of the Human and Criminal Justice Services CBO Funding process, including contract oversight and administration and management of the provider payment process.

Background

On April 8, 2008, the Board approved the model process for the solicitation and allocation of funding for CBOs providing human services and established the Community-based Organization Advisory Board. The CBO Advisory Board is comprised of twenty one (21) members representing community, business, civic, education, non-profit, social service, service recipient, and religious groups, including the following organizations: United Way of Miami-Dade, The Children's Trust, Dade Community Foundation, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Greater Miami Religious Leaders Coalition, and the Alliance for Aging, Inc. The CBO Advisory Board is primarily charged with the responsibility of recommending to the Board policies, goals, objectives, and strategic investments related to Human and Criminal Justice Services CBO Funding.

To this end, the CBO Advisory Board met several times during the months of October, November, and December 2008 to hear presentations from local experts and representatives of other funding sources, review community needs data, obtain input from non-profit service providers and CBOs, and discuss and formulate recommendations for the Board. The meetings were facilitated by the Director and staff of the Office of Grants Coordination and Staff from the County Executive Office. There were also four Community Needs Forums held in various locations throughout the County on evenings and weekends. These meetings and discussions culminated in a daylong retreat on December 19th where the CBO

Advisory Board finalized its recommendations to the Board. In developing its recommendations the CBO Advisory Board took into consideration community needs, an inventory of local funding of human and criminal justice related services from County and non-County sources, and current and past levels of funding from the County. Decisions were made utilizing a consensus-based process, and all final recommendations were adopted by a formal vote of the members.

I concur with the CBO Advisory Board's recommendations as they relate to the allocation of funds to Human and Criminal Justice Services CBOs and they are included as Attachment 1. However, I plan to handle the selection process for a professional evaluator through a separate solicitation, utilizing the standard County RFP process that would not be limited to 501(c)(3) organizations. This evaluator will assist the County and the CBO Advisory Board in developing a plan for the ongoing evaluation of CBO programming and services. Future CBO solicitations issued by OGC, including Parks programming and environmental enhancement and educational grants, will be issued separately but will be modeled after the Human and Criminal Justice Services Community-based Organization (CBO) Funding and Request for Proposals (RFP) process.

It is anticipated that, with Board approval, the RFP for Human and Criminal Justice Services CBO Funding will be released in early March with proposals due in late April. If this timeline is met, the review process would take place during the month of May, and I will forward my recommendations to the Board during the summer. Specific funding allocations would be determined by the Board as part of the budget process for FY 2009-10.



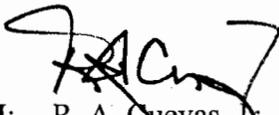
Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Special Assistant

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MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss **DATE:** March 3, 2009
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM:  R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney **SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No.

Please note any items checked.

- "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor

Agenda Item No.

Veto _____

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HUMAN AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION FUNDING AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PROCESS, SERVICE PRIORITY AREAS, AND PERCENTAGE ALLOCATIONS FOR FUNDING COMMENCING IN FY 2009-10

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum and the recommendations of the Community-based Organizations Advisory Board, copies of which are incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby approves in substantially the same form as attached, the Human and Criminal Justice Services Community-based Organization Funding and Request for Proposals process, service priority areas, and percentage allocations for funding commencing in FY 2009-10; authorizes the County Mayor or the Mayor's designee to exercise any amendment or modification of the process on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida; and authorizes the County Mayor or the Mayor's designee to advertise same for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County and to exercise any cancellational and re-advertisement provisions and any other rights contained therein.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner _____ who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dennis C. Moss, Chairman
Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro
Carlos A. Gimenez
Barbara J. Jordan
Dorrin D. Rolle
Katy Sorenson
Sen. Javier D. Souto

Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman
Joe A. Martinez
Natacha Seijas
Rebeca Sosa

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3rd day of March, 2009. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



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Memorandum

Date: January 6, 2009

To: George M. Burgess
County Manager

From: 
Nelson Hincapie, Chair
and Members, Community-based Organization Advisory Board

Subject: CBO Advisory Board Recommendations for Human and Criminal Justice Services
CBO Funding

On behalf of the Community-based Organization (CBO) Advisory Board, I am pleased to submit recommendations for the Human and Criminal Justice Services CBO Funding and Request for Proposals (RFP) process for FY 2009-10 (Attachment A), percentage allocations for each area (Attachment B), and service priority areas (Attachment C). These recommendations build upon the recent update of the County's Social Services Master Plan and are the result of several meetings and Community Needs Forums held throughout the months of October, November, and December 2008. Throughout the process to develop these recommendations, the Board heard presentations from local human services experts and representatives of other funding sources, local CBOs, service providers, and other interested parties from the community that were able to participate and provide additional input. Although these recommendations were developed in a short period of time, I believe they are data driven and needs based and represent a step in the right direction for County support of human and criminal justice service CBOs.

As a starting point, the CBO Advisory Board adopted a vision statement and a set of guiding principles. The recommendations contained herein flow from this shared vision and principles which is listed below:

Vision

A prosperous and dynamic Miami-Dade County where residents are able to live, work and be safe in their communities; where basic needs are met and residents are working towards self sufficiency; where residents are healthy; where there is appreciation, appropriateness and sensitivity towards the diversity of our community; where individuals can fulfill their potential to become productive citizens and where those least able to look after themselves are cared for.

Guiding Principles

- Funding should focus on prevention, early intervention, and preventing institutionalization
- Programs and services must be effective, fit community need(s) and be accountable based on relative size of investment
- Multi-year funding should be based on an annual review of performance
- Local funds should be utilized to leverage other non-County funding
- Reasonable administrative costs should be allowed
- Maintain continuity of community-based services
- Programs and services should be based, where possible, on proven practices, be evidence-based, have a proven track record and be scale appropriate
- Programs and services should be culturally appropriate and client centered or focused
- Funding should promote community/consumer leadership, citizenship and civic participation
- Increase the emphasis on training and employment due to economic circumstances
- Funding should promote cooperation and collaboration among agencies

- Funding process should be flexible and services should be comprehensive and holistic
- County support should be used to supplement, not supplant funding from other sources

In closing, I would like to thank all of the human services experts, representatives of other local funding sources, CBOs, service providers, and other interested parties from the community for their participation in this process. I would also like to recognize staff from the County Executive Office, Mr. Dan T. Wall and his staff at the Office of Grants Coordination for their assistance and support during the development of these recommendations. Lastly, I would especially like to thank all of the members of the CBO Advisory Board for their active participation and commitment to this process and, ultimately, the efficient and effective provision of human services so desperately needed in our community.

**Funding, Contracting, and Outcome Measurement Recommendations
(Adopted by the CBO Advisory Board – December 19, 2008)**

Competitive Solicitation

1. Weigh heavily the evaluation criteria that addresses the provision of services in a high need and/or underserved geographic area
2. Utilize enhanced County RFP Process that incorporates best practices from other local funding sources, including United Way of Miami-Dade, The Children's Trust, and Dade Community Foundation
3. Eligibility to apply for CBO funding should be limited to 501(c)(3) organizations, including churches
4. 501(c)(3) status must be documented as part of an agency's proposal submission
5. Implement a two-tiered application process for large and small organizations based on the size of the annual operating budget of the organization
6. Require that a minimum of 5% of funding is allocated to small CBOs, which are defined as organizations with an annual operating budget of \$500,000 or less
7. Institute a cap on the maximum amount of funding that any one organization can request from this RFP at no more than \$1,000,000
8. Cap administrative costs at no more than 15% of the total funding received for any one program
9. Include language in the RFP that restricts CBOs from submitting multiple applications for the same program under more than one service priority area
10. Limit the number of agency applications that a CBO may submit to one (multiple program requests may be included in the one application)
11. Allow for a cure period for applicants to correct technical deficiencies identified by staff
12. Retain Cone of Silence restrictions
13. Request non-binding, non-mandatory letter of intent
14. Include non-County personnel on evaluation/selection committees
15. Reserve the right of the County to fund a proposal from a different category of funding than that which was requested
16. Limit the basis of any appeal to failure on the part of the County to follow the process outlined in the RFP document
17. Institute a three year funding cycle (one year contract with up to 2 additional one year options to renew subject to the availability of funding)
18. Encourage collaboration, leveraging, and civic engagement

Contracting

1. Standardize to the greatest extent possible contract terms and conditions
2. Assign one Contract Officer per agency
3. Lessen requirements where appropriate for small CBOs
4. Require County Vendor Registration as a condition of award
5. Retain County authority to institute a cost-based reimbursement payment methodology if warranted
6. Include nepotism restrictions modeled after State statute
7. Allow for quarterly advance payments
8. Waive insurance requirements for contracts of \$25,000 or less (cumulative)
9. Provide for a 100% lump sum payment option for contracts of \$10,000 or less
10. Incorporate the use of the Comprehensive Administrative Assessment Tool (CAAT) as part of contract compliance reviews and monitoring
11. Implement performance-based contract renewals
12. Develop a process to reallocate funding on an as needed basis
13. Allow for renegotiation of contract scope within the same service priority area, consistent with the RFP, and at the sole discretion of the County
14. Post contract data on the web portal
15. Require participation in evaluation and capacity building activities, including the development of a cross-system referral process, tools, and technology

Outcome Measurement

1. Monitoring should include administrative, fiscal, and programmatic components
2. Establish and adhere to performance improvement plans and corrective action protocols
3. Post performance data on the web portal
4. Explore joint programmatic review of CBO performance with other local funders
5. Include sample outcome measures in RFP, and allow for applicants to propose measures that would be subject to final approval by the County and incorporated in the final contract

Attachment B

**CBO Advisory Board
Recommended Service Priority Area Percentage Allocations**

| Service Priority Area | % Allocation |
|--|---------------------|
| Basic Needs | 13% |
| Children & Adults w/ Disabilities | 7% |
| Children, Youth & Families | 22% |
| Criminal Justice | 15% |
| Elder Needs | 14% |
| Health | 4% |
| Immigrants/New Entrants | 2% |
| Other | 2% |
| Special Needs | 16% |
| Workforce Development | 4% |
| Evaluation Plan | 1% |
| TOTAL | 100% |

SERVICE PRIORITY AREAS

| SERVICE PRIORITY AREA | DESCRIPTION | EXAMPLES* |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| Special Needs | <p>Programs providing services to victims of domestic violence or sexual assault</p> <p>Programs providing countywide mental health services</p> <p>Matching funds support for programs providing countywide and neighborhood-based homeless services</p> <p>Countywide and neighborhood-based substance abuse treatment programs to include prevention and education services to children and young adults</p> | <p>Including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training of first responders to address children's needs • Emergency housing/shelter for victims with adolescent children • Community education and training in all aspects of domestic violence including the elderly, persons with disabilities, and immigrants and new entrants • Programs for youth victims of sexual assault • Specialized services for children who are witnesses of domestic violence • Comprehensive services to mentally ill adults with co-occurring disorders • Mental health treatment and post treatment services to children and adults • Employment training and services to mentally ill adults • Mental health jail diversion • Homeless prevention case management including assessment and one-time rental subsidies • Expansion of homeless outreach services • Assistance to homeless persons in obtaining vital identification and personal documents • Rental and eviction assistance services • Services to children of parents who are substance abusers and to parents of children who are substance abusers • Services to substance abusers with co-occurring disorders in a pre-trial program • Services to youth and adults diagnosed with co-occurring disorders that include step-down phases to facilitate individual integration into the community • Post treatment recovery programs that aim to keep the family intact and facilitate post treatment employability and educational skills with emphasis on services to farm |

*Examples are provided as a reference to assist potential applicants with the proper placement of a proposed program in the appropriate service priority area.

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| Children, Youth, and Families | Programs supporting community-wide core services for children, youth, and families | <p>workers and victims of abuse or domestic violence but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parenting services aimed to prevent and reduce instances of child neglect/abuse • Supportive services for young adults transitioning from relative care/independent living • Services for relative care givers • Positive youth development to include health education, life skills training • Alternative choices to youth and families • Teen parenting skills and development • School readiness and academic performance • After school programs • Stay in school and parental skills • Shelter for at-risk youth • Family Services |
| Immigrants/New Entrants | Programs providing services to immigrants and new entrants who are currently not eligible to receive federally funded services | <p>Including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community-based adaptation and socialization (acculturation facilitation services) • Facilitating access to social services and academic and vocational training • Legal services for immigrants (documented and undocumented) • Services to immigrant farm workers |

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| Basic Needs | Programs targeting poverty and hunger | Including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food recovery and distribution • Nutritional education and referral to services • Neighborhood-based natural helpers for service access, education, and public benefit enrollment • Development and/or expansion of one-stop comprehensive services/activities to address hunger and poverty needs • Financial literacy and predatory lending • Bulk purchases of basic essentials • Maintenance of safe living environments • Legal services (representation and education) for indigent, immigrant, and special populations |
| Elder Needs | Programs supporting countywide and/or neighborhood-based elder care services | Including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nutrition Services • Home-based services for frail elderly • Respite care for caregivers and elders • Linkage to services after discharge from a medical facility • Early intervention services to maintain a safe and stable environment • Transportation for elderly • Adult day care center services • Center-based socialization and recreational services • Respite care to caregivers/relatives of elderly with Alzheimer's |

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| Criminal Justice | Programs offering services for criminal justice involved youth, families, and others | Evidence-based program and service models recommended by the Youth Crime Task Force and the Dade-Miami Criminal Justice Council, including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family and child empowerment programs • Improving community control • Juvenile weapons offender program • Post detention girl's program • Serious habitual offender sibling program • Family intervention services • Stop now and plan program • Teen drug court • Exemplary practices with juvenile offenders with mental health and substance abuse issues • Evaluation of criminal justice CBO programs and services |
| Health | Programs offering preventative health and promoting access to health services | Including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIV/AIDS Prevention and Early Intervention Services for high-risk residents • Programs to educate consumers on health literacy and how to access services • Programs for expanding worksite wellness initiatives • Home delivered meals to low income medical patients • Health and wellness programs for the community • Access to health programs: community health workers to work with community-at-large • Access to health programs: health navigators • Health education for children |

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| Workforce Development | Programs supporting countywide employment and training | Including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vocational mentoring program for at-risk youth • Coaching for all hard-to-serve job seekers • Demonstration employment programs and job readiness programs • Community education and training on the employment and vocational needs of hard-to-serve job seekers • Teen employment programs • Workforce development • Summer youth employment |
| Children and Adults with Disabilities | Programs offering services for the developmentally disabled Programs supporting countywide core service programs for children and adults with physical and sensory disabilities | Including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource specialists to assist children and adults with developmental disabilities to access service in the location of their choice and to assist children aging out of children services • Outreach and education programs on adaptive/special equipment and disaster preparedness • In-home supports and out of home services and therapies for adults with physical, sensory or developmental disabilities • Services to facilitate transitioning from school to work • Respite support for caregivers and adults with physical, sensory or developmental disabilities • Supervised out of school care or after work care for children and adults with physical, sensory or developmental disabilities • Cultural enhancement activities for children and adults with physical, sensory or developmental disabilities • Job training for disabled and other special populations • Cultural enhancement and recreational activities for children with disabilities • Resource specialists to assist children and adults with |

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| Other | Linkages to service Legal services GLBT Transportation Diversion and reentry Other | physical and sensory disabilities to access service in the location of their choice and to assist children aging out of children services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outreach and education programs on adaptive/special equipment and disaster preparedness • Transportation for disabled adults and children • Community based services for children and adults with physical, sensory or developmental disabilities Including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information and referral services • Non-immigration legal services • Human service-related transportation services • Literacy proficiency and job readiness for incarcerated individuals at their point of entry, during their incarceration, and upon release • Offender diversion programs • Other programs and services not included in one of the service priority areas above |
| Evaluation Planning | Professional consulting and evaluation services | Including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist the County and the CBO Advisory Board in the development of an evaluation plan for human services CBO funding |

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