Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date:	October 5, 2010
To:	Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss and Members, Board of County Commissioners
From:	George M. Burgess County Manager
Subject:	Juvenile Services Department Youth Violence Reduction Project Grant Application

Agenda Item No. 18(A)(5)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) ratify the Mayor or Mayor's designee's action in applying for United States Department of Justice "Encouraging Innovation: Field-Initiated Programs" grant funds in the amount of $750,000. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Mayor or the Mayor's designee to receive and expend grant funds, and to execute such contracts, agreements, Memoranda of Understanding (MOU), and amendments, after approval by the County Attorney, as required by program guidelines. It is also recommended that the Board authorize the Mayor or the Mayor's designee to apply for, receive, and expend additional funds that may become available during the term of the grant; to file and execute any amendments to the application for and on behalf of the County; and to exercise amendments, modifications, renewal, cancellation, and termination clauses of any contracts and agreements, subject to the approval of the County Attorney's Office.

Scope

The scope of the project is countywide in nature. The Juvenile Services Department (JSD) will implement a youth violence reduction project targeting juveniles and young adults, ages 14-17 and 18-25, respectively. The three-year project will enable the JSD to implement *Project Exile* and *Project CeaseFire,* best practice evidence-based models, to combat gun violence; reduce shootings and deaths; and reduce crime in Miami-Dade County.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

If funded, the Department of Justice will provide a three-year grant award in the amount of $750,000. This project will enable the Juvenile Services Department and the Miami-Dade Police Department to implement a neighborhood–based initiative. The intended impact of this funding will serve to improve public safety and reduce law enforcement costs. The grant does not require matching funds.

Track Record/Monitor

JSD will implement and manage the project. The department has an extensive history of managing DOJ grants. The Department will handle the disbursement and expenditure of grant funds, and manage programmatic and fiscal reporting in accordance with project reporting and auditing procedures stipulated by the Department of Justice.

Background

The Juvenile Services Department will implement the *CeaseFire Project* and *Project Exile*. The *CeaseFire* Program is a proven method to reduce shootings and deaths among "street" youth and gang-involved youth. *Project Exile* is a proven method to combat gun violence. The two models will be used in an *Evidence Integration* strategy to impact crime and violence in South Florida.

The 36-month project will include 360 participants. Project goals include: 1) Increase public safety and reduce violence; 2) Implement the *CeaseFire Program* to reduce juvenile and gang-related violence; 3) Implement the *Project Exile Program* to reduce gun related crime, and remove guns from the community; 4) Engage community service providers for the provision of services; and 5) Promote and encourage juveniles and young adults to become responsible and productive members of the community, and refrain from further violence and criminal behavior..

The short turnaround time imposed by the application deadline did not allow sufficient time for the processing of the resolution, and its submission to the Board prior to submission of the application.

Assistant County Manager

MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

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

DATE: October 5, 2010

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 18(A)(5)

Please note any items checked.

_____ **"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**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**

_____ **No committee review**

_____ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous _____) to approve**

_____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE COUNTY MAYOR'S OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE'S ACTION TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE, AND EXPEND GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $750,000 FROM THE "ENCOURAGING INNOVATION: FIELD-INITIATED PROGRAMS" FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FUNDS; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR AND/OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE AND EXECUTE SUCH CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING, MODIFY OR AMEND THE APPLICATION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE ADDITIONAL FUNDS OR TO EXTEND THE PERFORMANCE PERIOD AS REQUIRED IF AWARDED

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, this Board has adopted Resolution No. R-784-10, authorizing the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to administer County business during the Board of County Commissioners' 2010 summer recess as provided therein, and has directed that all actions taken pursuant to such authority be submitted to this Board for ratification at its October 5, 2010 meeting,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board ratifies the Mayor or Mayor's designee's action in applying for United States Department of Justice "Encouraging Innovation: Field-Initiated Programs" grant funds in the amount of $750,000. This Board authorizes the Mayor or the Mayor's designee to receive and expend grant funds, and to execute such contracts, agreements, Memoranda of Understanding (MOU), and amendments, after approval by the County Attorney, as

required by program guidelines. The Board also authorizes the Mayor or the Mayor's designee to apply for, receive, and expend additional funds that may become available during the term of the grant; to file and execute any amendments to the application for and on behalf of the County; and to exercise amendments, modifications, renewal, cancellation, and termination clauses of any contracts and agreements, subject to the approval of the County Attorney's Office.

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	Audrey M. Edmonson
Carlos A. Gimenez	Sally A. Heyman
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 5th day of October, 2010. 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.

Shannon D. Summerset