Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: July 19, 2011

To: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

Agenda Item No. 10(A)(1)

From: Alina T. Hudak
County Manager

Subject: Authorization to Apply for, Receive and Expend Funds from the State of Florida-Challenge Grant

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Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) authorize the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to apply for, receive, and expend funds from the State of Florida (State) through the Department of Children and Families (DCF), in an annual amount not to exceed $100,000 under the State Challenge Grant. The funding will be used to provide match funding for community based organizations that provide homeless housing and supportive services. This resolution also recommends that the Board authorize the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to negotiate and execute contracts with the state or their agents; to negotiate and execute subcontracts with one or more not-for-profit service providers selected through the Request for Application (RFA) process issued through the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust; and execute any amendments and renewals.

Scope

Services will be provided Countywide.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

There is no fiscal impact to the County. The funding is provided from the State of Florida and serves as a cash match to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (US HUD) homeless grants for not-for-profit service providers selected through the RFA process. The average grant award is $8,000 per program.

Track/Record/Monitor

The Homeless Trust will be responsible for monitoring the not-for-profit service providers to ensure compliance with the State of Florida's guidelines. The Homeless Trust will issue new grant applications each year under this program, contingent upon State funding.

Background

On an annual basis, the State of Florida, through the Department of Children & Families releases an application for the Challenge Grant which provides funding for homeless Continuum of Care for self identified needs. Over the years, community based organizations have been challenged by the necessity to provide a cash match to US HUD grants administered by the Homeless Trust. US HUD grants require a cash match of 20 percent for supportive services and 25 percent for operation line items. In order to meet the State grant deadline, currently August 9, 2011, the Homeless Trust issued a Request for Applications to select community based organizations to be part of the County's application to the State.

The Homeless Trust has identified and approved the use of the State Challenge Grant for match funding to the homeless US HUD grants and serves as a pass-through for any

funding that may result from this grant. The Homeless Trust does not retain any administrative fees under this program.

Assistant County Manager

MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: July 19, 2011

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 10(A)(1)

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 AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE, AND EXPEND FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES CHALLENGE GRANT PROGRAM, FOR AN AWARD OF UP TO $100,000 PER YEAR UPON ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF THE STATE, TO PROVIDE MATCH FUNDING TO COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS FOR HOMELESS HOUSING AND SERVICES AND RATIFYING THE REQUEST FOR APPLICATION PROCESS ISSUED AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE SUB-GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH ONE OR MORE NON-PROFIT PROVIDER(S), AND ANY AMENDMENTS, RENEWALS, AND EXTENSIONS, AFTER REVIEW BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND TO APPLY FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING UNDER THIS PROGRAM THERETO, AND EXERCISE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to apply for, receive, and expend funds from the State of Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF), for $100,000, upon annual allocation of the State to the Miami-Dade County Homeless Trust to provide match funding to community based organizations for homeless housing and services and ratifies the request for applications process issued and authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to negotiate and execute any subsequent grant agreements with DCF, negotiate and execute sub-grant agreements with one or more non-profit provider(s), and any amendments, renewals,

and extensions thereto, and exercise cancellation provisions contained therein, after review by the County Attorney's Office, and apply for additional funding under this program.

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:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman

Bruno A. Barreiro	Lynda Bell
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 1ST day of September, 2011. 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. _____

Estephanie S. Resnik