

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY

Date: November 15, 2011

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

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor 

Subject: FY 2011-2012 Community Grants Program
First Quarter Recommendations for a Total of \$110,000

Agenda Item No. 9(A)(4)

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve the funding of 24 grants for a total of \$110,000 from the FY 2011-2012 Community Grants Program – First Quarter. Attached is a list describing the projects being recommended for funding. In addition, it is recommended that Resolution R-130-06 (requiring contracts with non-governmental entities be signed by the other parties before being submitted to the Board of County Commissioners) be waived in order to expedite the allocation of funding support for these time-sensitive tourism-oriented and community events.

Scope

The impact of this agenda item is countywide.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

Funding for the Community Grants Program comes from Department of Cultural Affairs' approved departmental revenues as carried in the FY 2011-2012 adopted County budget ordinance. Community Grants are disbursed through Index Code CUGRANTS, Sub-object Code 60615 and drawn from Fund 125, Subfund 127.

Through Ordinance 11-74, under Grants to/Programs for Artists and Non-Profit Cultural Organizations, a total of \$462,000 has been allocated for FY 2011-2012 Community (CG) Grants (\$462,000 from Fund SO 125, Subfund 127). To date, a sub-total of \$110,000 in grants has been recommended for the first quarter of the fiscal year. A remaining balance of \$352,000 is to be used in subsequent quarters of the program.

Delegation of Authority

Authority for executing contracts for these grants resides with the Mayor or his designee; authority for amending and exercising all provisions, including cancellation provisions contained in the contracts for these grants, is delegated to the Department Director.

Track Record/Monitor

Each recommended organization has a track record for responding to Departmental grant requirements and contractual conditions. Michael Spring, Director of the Miami-Dade Department of Cultural Affairs, is responsible for monitoring the grant contracts.

Background

The Community Grants Panel convened on September 8, 2011 to review 24 applications requesting \$192,355 for the First Quarter of the program. The panel recommended funding 24 applicants for a total of \$110,000. The Cultural Affairs Council approved these recommendations at their meeting on September 14, 2011.

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The projects selected for funding represent a diversified range of activities and demographic locations. In its deliberations, the panel carefully considered and applied the Community Grants guidelines, as outlined below.

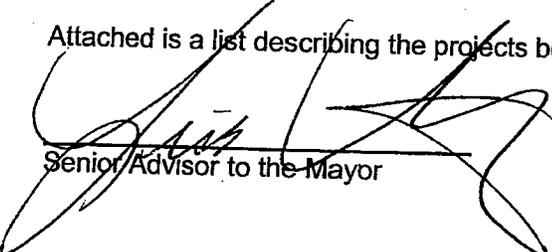
The Community Grants Program is responsive on a quarterly basis to organizations, which develop small and large-scale community-based programs, projects, events and publications.

The program is particularly sensitive to the needs of: 1) indigenous cultural neighborhood activities and projects encouraging the preservation of heritage, traditions and culture; and 2) social service organizations and cultural groups developing collaborative intervention projects.

Each applicant organization was evaluated specifically based on the following competitive review criteria: 1) quality of program; 2) administrative capability; 3) marketing strategy; 4) fundraising efforts and 5) geographic location of event.

It is recommended that Resolution R-130-06 (requiring contracts with non-governmental entities be signed by the other parties before being submitted to the Board of County Commissioners) be waived. These grants recommendations are being submitted to the Board immediately subsequent to their thorough evaluation by the Cultural Affairs Council and while the Department of Cultural Affairs simultaneously issues grant agreements for execution by grantees, subject to the Board's approval of this agenda item. It is in the best interest of the County to waive Resolution R-130-06 and proceed in this manner in order to expedite grant allocations for time-sensitive tourism-oriented and community events. This "dual track" approach saves from one to two months of time in providing funding support to projects that have been evaluated through a thorough and already lengthy grants review process. As a safeguard, the Department negotiates the grant agreements by closely adhering to the descriptions of projects that are summarized in the list of grant projects attached to this memorandum. In addition, grant funds are released on a reimbursement basis to ensure that County grant funds are used strictly for the activities that are listed in this memorandum and represented in the subsequent grant agreements.

Attached is a list describing the projects being recommended for funding.



Senior Advisor to the Mayor

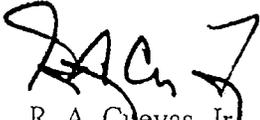


MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: November 15, 2011

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 9(A)(4)

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 _____

Agenda Item No. 9(A)(4)
11-15-11

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF TWENTY FOUR (24) GRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$110,000 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS FY 2011-2012 COMMUNITY GRANTS - FIRST QUARTER WITH: ACCESS NOW, INC. A/F/A FOR POWER ACCESS, INC.; ACPAC, INC.; ALYANS ATIZAY AYISYEN, INC.; BLENDING CULTURES, INC.; CAMPOSITION, INC.; CARIBISLE SPORTS CLUB, INC.; CULTURE IN THE CITY, INC.; CULTURE IN THE CITY, INC. A/F/A FOR GIANTS IN THE CITY; EXPONICA INTERNATIONAL, INC.; FLORIDA DANCE EDUCATION ORGANIZATION, INC.; FUNDARTE, INC. A/F/A FOR EL INGENIO, INC.; GREATER SOUTH DADE/SOUTH MIAMI/KENDALL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE D/B/A CHAMBER SOUTH; HOLOCAUST DOCUMENTATION & EDUCATION CENTER, INC.; ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL, INC.; MERRICK FESTIVAL INCORPORATED; MIAMI BEACH ARTS TRUST, INC.; MIAMI BEACH JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.; MIAMI SHORT FILM FESTIVAL, INC.; MIMO BISCAYNE ASSOCIATION, INC.; NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING FOUNDATION, INC.; RICHMOND HEIGHTS HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; SOUTH FLORIDA NATIONAL PARKS TRUST INC.; THE GERMAN SCHOOL OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.; THE HISTORIC HAMPTON HOUSE COMMUNITY TRUST, INC. WAIVING RESOLUTION R-130-06, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS, FOLLOWING COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL OF FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND TO EXERCISE THE 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 approves funding of twenty-four (24) grants for a total of \$110,000 from the FY 2011-2012 First Quarter meeting of the Community Grants Program- First Quarter as follows:

1. Access Now, Inc. a/f/a for Power Access, Inc.	\$1,000
2. ACPAC, Inc.	\$3,000
3. Alyans Atizay Ayisyen, Inc.	\$7,000
4. Blending Cultures, Inc.	\$1,000
5. Camposition, Inc.	\$8,500
6. Caribisle Sports Club, Inc.	\$3,500
7. Culture in the City, Inc.	\$6,500
8. Culture in the City, Inc. a/f/a for Giants in the City	\$6,000
9. Exponica International, Inc.	\$1,000
10. Florida Dance Education Organization, Inc.	\$4,500
11. Fundarte, Inc. a/f/a for El Ingenio, Inc.	\$5,000
12. Greater South Dade/South Miami/Kendall Chamber of Commerce d/b/a Chamber South	\$5,000
13. Holocaust Documentation & Education Center, Inc.	\$7,500
14. Italian Film Festival, Inc.	\$7,400
15. Merrick Festival Incorporated	\$4,500
16. Miami Beach Arts Trust, Inc.	\$7,000
17. Miami Beach Jewish Community Center, Inc.	\$1,000
18. Miami Short Film Festival, Inc.	\$8,000
19. MiMo Biscayne Association, Inc.	\$5,000
20. Neighborhood Housing Foundation, Inc.	\$1,000
21. Richmond Heights Homeowner's Association, Inc.	\$3,000
22. South Florida National Parks Trust Inc.	\$4,100
23. The German School of South Florida, Inc.	\$4,500
24. The Historic Hampton House Community Trust, Inc.	\$5,000

and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute grant agreements, in substantially the form of the sample attached hereto, with each grantee for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida following County Attorney approval of form and legal sufficiency; and to execute the cancellation provisions 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:

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 15th day of November, 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.

D.F.

Daniel Frastai

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**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS
COMMUNITY GRANTS – 1Qtr**

GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT - ARTICLE I

The Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the Mayor and the Board of County Commissioners are pleased to announce that Miami-Dade County has awarded a grant as described herein to «ORGANIZATION» (hereinafter referred to as the Grantee). The grant award, acknowledging that the Grantee is performing a public service through its programs and projects, is awarded as follows:

GRANTEE AND GRANT DESCRIPTION

- 1. GRANTEE: «ORGANIZATION» (EIN#«FEDERAL_ID»)
- 2. AMOUNT OF GRANT: «ADDRESS», «CITY», «STATE» «ZIP»
- 3. PROJECT: «AWARD»
«PROJECT_TITLE»
(as described in the program application and any revisions attached hereto)
- 4. ITEMIZED PROJECT BUDGET: (as described in the Restatement of Project Budget attached hereto)
- 5. GRANT START DATE: October 1, 2011
- 6. GRANT END DATE: September 30, 2012
- 7. REPORT DEADLINE: November 9, 2012

The Parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the _____ day of _____, 20 _____.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, by its BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

Clerk, Miami-Dade County
Board of County Commissioners

County Manager/Designee

GRANTEE:

Articles I, II, III, IV and V, together with their exhibits, the Restatement of Project Budget, original application and Universal Affidavit, make up this grant award contract. In signing this article, the undersigned officials, on behalf of the Grantee, certify that they have read and will abide by the terms and considerations set forth in the General Terms and Conditions for Grants (Articles II, III, IV and V) dated October, 2011 as provided with the grant award package, and with those provisions outlined in the notarized and attached Universal Affidavit. Further, the Grantee agrees that the funded project will be executed in substantially the form outlined in the original application as approved for funding; in accordance with the program guidelines of the **Community Grants** program and within the scope of budget submitted in the attached Restatement of Project Budget.

(Grantee's Corporate Seal)

Signature Authorized Official #1

Printed Name/Title Authorized Official #1

Signature Authorized Official #2

Printed Name/Title Authorized Official #2

Approved for form and legal sufficiency by the Miami-Dade County Attorney (10/2011).

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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR GRANTS (October, 2011) – ARTICLES II, III, IV and V

ARTICLE II

1. **Parties:** The parties to the Grant Award Agreement, which shall be referenced herein as the "Agreement," are the Grantee listed in Article I.1, and Miami-Dade County, Florida, a political subdivision of the State of Florida. The Home Rule Charter authorizes Miami-Dade County to provide for the uniform health and welfare of the residents throughout the County, and further provides that all functions not otherwise specifically assigned to others under the Charter, shall be performed under the supervision of the County Mayor or his designee. The County Mayor has delegated the responsibility of administering this grant to the Director of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, who shall be referred to herein as the "Director."

2. **Amount and Payment of Grant Award:** The total amount of the grant is specified in Article I.2. By making this grant, Miami-Dade County assumes no obligation to provide financial support of any type whatever in excess of the total grant amount. Cost overruns are the sole responsibility of the Grantee. Grant funds will be supplied to the Grantee once the award is approved and subject to the conditions and limitations as outlined in the Agreement and its accompanying articles and attachments.

Miami-Dade County's obligation to pay the award under the Agreement is contingent upon an appropriation by the Miami-Dade County Mayor and the Board of County Commissioners and on the availability of funds. In the event that County funds on which the Agreement is dependent do not materialize or are withdrawn, the Agreement is terminated and the County has no further liability to the Grantee, beyond that already incurred by the termination date. In the event of a County revenue shortfall, the total grant will be reduced accordingly. Such termination or reduction of the total grant shall not affect the responsibility of the Grantee under the Agreement as to those funds distributed.

3. **Project Description:** The Grantee may use the grant only for the purposes which are specifically described in Article I.3, designated "Project," as documented in the Grantee's program application and in accordance with the published guidelines of the grant program through which this grant is being awarded. Any necessary changes in the scope of the project are cited in the attached Restatement of Project Budget. Further, it is expressly understood and agreed that the Grantee's program(s) supported by these grant funds must be open and accessible to the public, provide public exposure and benefit the public unless otherwise noted under Article V, "Special Conditions," of the Agreement.

Amendments to this Agreement and/or minor project revisions believed to be necessary for the purpose of completing the project, but which do not increase the amount of the grant award or substantially alter the original project, its quality, impact, or benefit to the organization, the County or its citizens, must be submitted/requested in writing to the Director sufficiently prior to implementation of revisions for the Director's execution (in the case of an amendment) or approval (in the case of a revision). Minor revisions include, but are not limited to those affecting project scope, venue, timeframe and participants. The Director will make the final determination on revisions within fourteen (14) business days of the date of receipt of the request in the Department of Cultural Affairs' offices.

4. **Project Budget:** The Grantee agrees to demonstrate fiscal stability and the ability to administer grant funds responsibly and in accordance with standard accounting practices by developing and adhering to a project budget that is based upon reasonable revenue development and expenditures projected to accomplish the project covered under the Agreement. This budget is referenced in Article 1.4 and is attached to the Agreement as the Restatement of Project Budget, and the Grantee agrees that all expenditures will be subject to the terms of the Agreement and will not significantly deviate from the budget included as a part of the Grantee's program application or funding request information provided to the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs. **The Grantee agrees and expressly understands that any grant budget revisions including line item changes necessary for the purpose of completing the project must be requested in writing to the Director for his consideration prior to the Grant End Date stated in Article 1.6 and that any requested changes may not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the total amount of the grant award.** The Director will approve or disapprove the Grantee's request in writing within fourteen (14) business days of the date of receipt of the request in the Department's offices.

5. **Grant End Date:** The Grantee shall encumber all grant and matching funds on or before the Grant End Date as outlined in Article I.6. Any grant funds not encumbered by the Grant End Date or for which a project extension has not been requested, or any encumbered funds not expensed within forty-five (45) days of the Grant End Date shall revert to the Department and the Agreement shall be terminated in accordance with Article II.14. A project extension may be requested in writing from the

found to be deficient or in default of a previous grant contract may be declared permanently ineligible to apply to the Department of Cultural Affairs' grants programs. Reinstating the Grantee's eligibility to apply is also at the Director's sole discretion, and may only be considered subsequent to all deficient areas on prior grants having been addressed to the satisfaction of the Director.

If Grantee is not in compliance with the conditions of any other County agreement, the Director, at his discretion, may take other actions, which may include the withholding, reduction or rescission of grant funds until such time as the Grantee can demonstrate that such issues have been corrected.

8. **Bank Accounts:** Monies received pursuant to the Agreement shall be kept in accounts in established Florida banks, credit unions or savings and loan associations whose identity shall be disclosed in writing, with the identity and title of individuals whom the Grantee authorizes to withdraw or write checks on grant funds from the banking institution identified on the "Bank Account Disclosure" form submitted by the Grantee. These accounts need not be accounts which are segregated from other accounts maintained by the Grantee. However, it is highly recommended that the Grantee maintain a separate account for these grant funds.

9. **Accounting and Financial Review:** The Grantee must keep accurate and complete books and records for all receipts and expenditures of this grant award and any matching funds required in conformance with reasonable general accounting standards. These books and records, as well as all documents pertaining to payments received and made in conjunction with this grant, such as vouchers, bills, invoices, receipts and canceled checks, shall be retained in Miami-Dade County in a secure place and in an orderly fashion by the Grantee for at least two (2) years after: the Grant End Date specified in Article 1.6.; the expiration of an extended grant period as approved by the Director; the completion of a County requested or mandated audit or compliance review; the conclusion of a legal action involving the grant award, the Grantee and/or project or activities related to the grant award.

The Director or his designee may examine these books, records and documents at the Grantee's offices or other approved site under the direct control and supervision of the Grantee during regular business hours and upon reasonable notice. Furthermore, the Director may, upon reasonable notice and at the County's expense, audit or have audited all financial records of the Grantee, whether or not purported to be related to this grant.

10. **Publicity and Credits:** The Grantee must include the following credit line in all promotional and marketing materials related to this grant including web sites, news and press releases, public service announcements, broadcast media, event programs, and publications: "With the support of the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs and the Cultural Affairs Council, the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners." The grantee must also use the County's logo in marketing and publicity materials whenever possible. Please call the Department to request an electronic logo file or download it from our website (www.miamidadearts.org).

By accepting County funds, the grantee is required to recognize and acknowledge Miami-Dade County's grant support in a manner commensurate with all contributors and sponsors of its activities at comparable dollar levels.

In addition, grantees receiving funds through the YEP, SAS-C and AKI grant programs must include The Children's Trust logo and the following statement in all materials related to the grant project, including but not limited to newsletters, press releases, brochures, fliers, websites or any other materials for dissemination to the media or general public:

"The (insert event/program name) is funded by The Children's Trust. The Trust is a dedicated source of revenue established by voter referendum to improve the lives of children and families in Miami-Dade County." To download an electronic version of The Children's Trust logo, please go to: [The Children's Trust Media Kit & Logos](#).

Note: In cases where funding by The Children's Trust represents only a percentage of the grantee's overall funding, the above language can be altered to read "The (insert event/program name) is funded in part by The Children's Trust..."

11. **Liability and Indemnification:** It is expressly understood and intended that the Grantee, as the recipient of grant funds, is not an officer, employee or agent of Miami-Dade County, its Board of County Commissioners, its Mayor, the Department of Cultural Affairs or the Cultural Affairs Council. Further, for purposes of the Agreement and the grant project or activity, the parties hereto agree that the Grantee, its officers, agents and employees are independent contractors.

The Grantee shall take all actions as may be necessary to ensure that its officers, agents, employees, assignees and/or subcontractors shall not act as nor give the appearance of that of an agent, servant, joint venturer, collaborator or partner of the

Further, all funded activities must provide equal access and equal opportunity in employment and services, and may not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, pregnancy, age, disability, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation or physical ability, in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d et seq.), the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and Miami-Dade County ordinances No. 97-170, § 1, 2-25-97 and No. 98-17, § 1, 12-1-98.

14. Remedies: In the event the Grantee shall fail to materially conform with any of the provisions of the Agreement or its attachments referenced herein, the Director may withhold or cancel all, or any, unpaid installments of the grant upon giving five (5) calendar days written notice to the Grantee, and the County shall have no further obligation to the Grantee under the Agreement. Further, in the event of a material breach of any term or condition of the Agreement, upon five (5) calendar days written demand by the Director, the Grantee shall repay to Miami-Dade County all portions of the grant which have been received by the Grantee, but which have not actually been disbursed by the Grantee as of the date that the written demand is received.

In the event this grant is canceled or the Grantee is requested to repay grant funds because of a breach of the Agreement, the Grantee may be declared permanently ineligible to apply to the Department of Cultural Affairs' grants programs. Reinstating the Grantee's eligibility to apply is also at the Director's sole discretion, and may only be considered subsequent to all deficient areas on prior grants having been addressed to the satisfaction of the Director. Further, the Grantee will be liable to reimburse Miami-Dade County for all unauthorized expenditures discovered after the expiration of the grant period. The Grantee will also be liable to reimburse the County for all lost or stolen grant funds.

Grant funds which are to be repaid to Miami-Dade County pursuant to this Section or other Sections in the Agreement, are to be repaid by delivering to the Director a certified check for the total amount due, payable to the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners.

These provisions do not waive or preclude the County from pursuing any other remedy, which may be available to it under the law.

15. Indulgence Will Not Be A Waiver of Breach: The indulgence of either party with regard to any breach or failure to perform any provision of the Agreement shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of the provision or any portion of the Agreement either at the time the breach or failure occurs or at any time throughout the term of the Agreement.

16. Written Notices: Any written notices required under the Agreement will become effective when delivered in person or upon the receipt of a certified letter addressed to the Grantee at the address specified in Article I.1 of the Agreement, and to the Director when addressed as follows: Director, Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs, 111 NW First Street, Suite 625, Miami, Florida 33128.

17. Captions Used in the Agreement: Captions as used in the Agreement are for convenience of reference only and should not be deemed or construed as in any way limiting or extending the language or provisions to which such captions may refer.

18. Contract Represents Total Agreement: The Agreement, including its special conditions and attachments, represents the whole and total agreement of the parties. No representations, except those contained within the Agreement and its attachments, are to be considered in construing its terms. Other than as specified in this agreement as delegated to the Director, no other modifications or amendments may be made to the Agreement unless made in writing, signed by both parties, and approved by appropriate action by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners and Mayor.

ARTICLE III - INSURANCE

The Grantee must maintain and shall furnish upon request to the Director or his designee, certificates of insurance indicating that insurance has been obtained which meets the requirements as outlined below:

1. Workers Compensation Insurance for all employees of the Grantee as required by Florida Statute 440.
2. Commercial General Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$300,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. Miami-Dade County must be shown as an additional insured with respect to this coverage.

Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs
Award Recommendations
FY 2011-12 Community Grants (CG) Program – 1st Quarter

1. Access Now, Inc. a/f/a for Power Access, Inc.

1605 Euclid Avenue Apt 2C
Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Ability Explosion 2011
October 19-23, 2011

Award: \$1,000

Funds are requested to support Ability Explosion 2011 which will feature many events including an art exhibition by people with disabilities and an Education Simulation to be held at the Miami Beach Convention Center. The Education Simulation will include a photo exhibit and demonstration with many accessibility vendors and organizations on hand. Takin' It To The Streets is a musical street performance component of the event that features musicians, artists, and street performers. Most events are free and open to the public.

2. ACPAC, Inc.

230 NE 121st Terrace
North Miami, Florida 33161
In Just a Second
November 26, 2011

Award: \$3,000

Funds are requested to support the theatrical production of "In Just a Second" written by Withnie Honore and Director Onickel Augustin. The show contains themes of survival, political turmoil and life's ups and downs after the January 2010 earthquake in Haiti. The production will take place at the Julius Littman Theater in North Miami Beach and is open to the public.

3. Alyans Atizay Ayisyen, Inc.

225 NE 59th Street
Miami, Florida 33137
Global Caribbean III: Haiti, Kingdom of this World
December 2, 2011 - January 31, 2012

Award: \$7,000

Funds are requested to support Global Caribbean III: Haiti, Kingdom of this World, an installation showcasing new and recent works by 18 Haitian artists that question the inevitability of misery. A symposium will also take place on December 4 with leading Haitian art historians discussing the state of Haitian art. The exhibit, which was part of this year's Venice Biennale will take place at the Little Haiti Cultural Center from December 2, 2011 until January 31, 2012. Events are free and open to the public.

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4. Blending Cultures, Inc.

10610 NE 11 Court
Miami Shores, Florida 33138
Cabarlesque
October 14, 2011

Award: \$1,000

Funds are requested to support Cabarlesque, a new live performance series featuring a fusion of two traditional song-and-dance art forms: the cabaret show and a tongue-in-cheek play on the burlesque form. The show will feature 6 local performers and the event will take place at the Little Haiti Cultural Center. It is open to the public.

5. Camposition, Inc.

770 NE 69th Street Unit 2-I
Miami, Florida 33138
Intention Intervention
November 5, 2011

Award: \$8,500

Funds are requested to support a mass spectacle performance installation for Sleepless Night 2011 to promote unity in South Florida creating artistic solutions with dance, music and video to transform the discord that threatens communities. Funds will be used to organize, stage and choreograph over 100 performers and will star Natasha Tsakos. This event will take place at the newly designed SoundScape park located at the New World Symphony and is free and open to the public.

6. Caribisle Sports Club, Inc.

13251 SW 21st Street
Miramar, Florida 33027
Junior Calypso Monarch Competition
October 1, 2011

Award: \$3,500

Funds are requested to support Calypso performances at the Florida Memorial University-Lou Rawls Center for the Performing Arts. All grant funds are used for this event which occurs in Miami-Dade County. This annual event is the culmination of several rounds of competition which feature the 15 finalists vying for the Junior Calypso Monarch of the 2011 Caribbean Carnival season. This event promotes the talent of youth and preserves the Caribbean heritage artform of Calypso, a rich poetic form of storytelling and movement. This event is open to the public.

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7. Culture in the City, Inc.

5 Island Avenue, # 11E
Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Award: \$6,500

Emerging Artists Series - multidisciplinary graduates' first exhibition
October 20 - November 20, 2011

Funds are requested to support Emerging Artists Series, a multidisciplinary graduates' first exhibition at Kavachnina Contemporary Gallery. Launching the Emerging Artists Series, the new graduates will be responsible for every phase of the exhibit including; planning, social media, negotiations, setup, and post production. This event is free and open to the public.

8. Culture in the City, Inc. a/f/a for Giants in the City

695 NE 71st Street
Miami, Florida 33138

Award: \$6,000

Giants in the City
December 1-December 5, 2011

Funds are requested to support Giants in the City 2011, a monumental, inflatable art exhibition, to be held at the accessible public exhibition venue of Bayfront Park along Biscayne Boulevard. Local and international artists create this collection of monumental sculptures that will be on public exhibit during Art Basel Miami Beach. The event is free and open to the public.

9. Exponica International, Inc.

10380 West Flagler Street
Miami, Florida 33174
2011 Exponica International
October 28 - 30, 2011

Award: \$1,000

Funds are requested to support the 2011 Exponica International festival, October 28 - 30, 2011. This indoor/outdoor, family-oriented cultural extravaganza features performing artists and craft artisans visiting the United States on cultural exchange from countries throughout Latin America. The festival attracts annual crowds of over 15,000 residents and visitors to its historic venue, the Miami-Dade County Fair & Expo Center.

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10. Florida Dance Education Organization, Inc.

6751 SW 75th Terrace

South Miami, Florida 33143

2011 FDEO Conference: Dance Education: Legacy and Literacy

October 27- 29, 2011

Award: \$4,500

Funds are requested to support the 2011 Conference: Dance Education: Legacy and Literacy taking place at the New World School of the Arts. The project aims to model and promote best practices in dance education. The project is open to all K-12 , college , university and private school dance teachers, college students, dance enthusiasts and arts advocates. The concert performed by honor students from all regions of the state is free and open to the public.

11. Fundarte, Inc. a/f/a for El Ingenio, Inc.

1228 West Avenue Suite 1510

Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Se Busca un DJ

October 14-16, 2011 & November 3-6, 2011

Award: \$5,000

Funds are requested to support "Se busca un DJ." This is a classic theater version by playwright Raquel Carrió based on the Spanish literary myth of Don Juan Tenorio. 'Don Juan's' myth becomes the main character in this contemporary urban interpretation in which a sheriff and a journalist are on the trail of a person that everyone has heard of and who leaves his trace everywhere he goes. The play will be performed by six professional actors and directed by Lilliam Vega. This event is open to the public.

12. Greater South Dade/South Miami/Kendall Chamber of Commerce d/b/a Chamber South

6410 SW 80th Street

South Miami, Florida 33143

Chamber South 40th Annual South Miami Arts Festival

November 5-6, 2011

Award: \$5,000

Funds are requested to support the 40th Annual South Miami Arts Festival, November 5-6, 2011. What originated in 1971 as an arts and craft show has evolved into a premiere event. Each year during the first weekend in November, Chamber South hosts and produces a two-day,

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juried fine art show. Annually, Chamber South along with the South Miami police department estimate attendance of 50,000 guests. This festival is free and open to the public.

13. Holocaust Documentation & Education Center, Inc.

2031 Harrison Street
Hollywood, Florida 33020
Student Awareness Day
November 15, 2011

Award: \$7,500

Funds are requested to support Student Awareness Day, a prejudice reduction program for high school students from Miami-Dade private, public, and parochial schools, at the Miami Airport Convention Center on November 15, 2011. All grant funds are used for activities that occur in Miami-Dade County. The students will have the unique opportunity to spend the day with Holocaust Survivors at each of their tables and will be made aware of the dangers of prejudice, discrimination and hatred using the universal lessons of the Holocaust and genocide.

14. Italian Film Festival, Inc.

5151 Collins Avenue, Suite 224
Miami Beach, Florida 33140
2011 Italian Film Festival
October 6-11, 2011

Award: \$7,400

Funds are requested to support the 8th Annual Italian Film Festival at the Regal Cinemas South Beach on Lincoln Road. This year's festival will include 10 of the top Italian films produced in 2010-2011 that have yet to be screened for South Florida audiences. The festival will also include a "Meet the Artists" series at Books & Books on Lincoln Road and a variety of lectures and other opportunities. Screenings are open to the public.

15. Merrick Festival Incorporated

P.O. Box 143506
Coral Gables, Florida 33114
2011 Caroling Competition
November 30 - December 6, 2011

Award: \$4,500

Funds are requested to support the 2011 Caroling Competition, a free, week long event involving 30 Miami-Dade elementary, middle and senior high school choirs. The Competition presents over 1,500 local students performing at the 550 Biltmore Way Building in Coral Gables.

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This grant provides transportation for every school through funding of bus money to transport the choirs.

16. Miami Beach Arts Trust, Inc.

1775 Washington Avenue, PH2
Miami Beach, Florida 33139
MiamiArtzine.com Online Arts Publication
October 1, 2011-September 30, 2012

Award: \$7,000

Funds are requested to support miamiartzine.com, a free online publication dedicated to promoting the arts and culture in Miami-Dade County. The project has two components: 1.) to increase awareness and readership of miamiartzine.com and thereby increase awareness of the arts in Miami-Dade County, 2.) To help fund stipends to artists who write for, edit and create art for miamiartzine.com. Miamiartzine.com is a resource used by Miami-Dade County residents, artists and visitors from the U.S. and over 70 other countries.

17. Miami Beach Jewish Community Center, Inc.

4221 Pine Tree Drive
Miami Beach, Florida 33140
15th Annual Miami Beach Community Chanukah Celebration
December 11, 2011

Award: \$1,000

Funds are requested to support the 15th Annual Miami Beach Community Chanukah Celebration that brings the community together to celebrate the traditions and history of Chanukah. Over 12 organizations (schools, synagogues and other social service non-profit organizations) join together to embrace the culture and history of Chanukah and how it relates to the Jewish community and society at large today. This event is open to the public.

18. Miami Short Film Festival, Inc.

2501 Brickell Avenue, Suite #608
Miami, Florida 33129
The 10th Edition of the Miami Short Film Festival
November 14 - 20, 2011

Award: \$8,000

Funds are requested to support the 10th Edition of the Miami Short Film Festival at the Colony Theater, the Tower Theater and Miami Children's Museum. This film festival features short films by local and international filmmakers. All events are open to the public.

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19. **MiMo Biscayne Association, Inc.**

7100 Biscayne Boulevard, Suite 102
Miami, Florida 33138
MiMo Art in the Park - The Big MiMo Chalk-in
December 4, 2011

Award: \$5,000

Funds are requested to "The Great MiMo Chalk-in" where artists create chalk art masterpieces at Legion Park in the MiMo historical district. This one-day event will feature performing artists both on stage and within the park. The event is free and open to the public.

20. **Neighborhood Housing Foundation, Inc.**

520 West Avenue, #803
Miami, Florida 33139
Miami Best Cultural Guide
November 30, 2011

Award: \$1,000

Funds are requested to support MIAMI BEST cultural guide, a free, high quality guide featuring some of Miami's best in art, literature, music, dance, theater and film. The guide will feature art and cultural organizations from throughout Miami-Dade County. The guide will be free and will be distributed to the community, local schools, tourist areas and cultural venues.

21. **Richmond Heights Homeowner's Association, Inc.**

11225 SW 152nd Street
Miami, Florida 33157
Community Tree Lighting Festival
December 10, 2011

Award: \$3,000

Funds are requested to support the annual Community Tree Lighting Festival to take place at Sgt. Joe Delancy Park in Richmond Heights. This holiday celebration uses performing artists to highlight the pride and traditions of this historic community. The event is free and open to the public.

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22. South Florida National Parks Trust Inc.

1390 South Dixie Highway, Suite 2203
Coral Gables, Florida 33146
Community Artist Program at Biscayne National Park
December 2, 2011 - September 7, 2012

Award: \$4,100

Funds are requested to support the Community Artist Program at Biscayne National Park in Homestead. The Community Artist Program showcases works of art by local and visiting artists inspired by South Florida's national parks. Four exhibitions of original art will be featured during the FY 2011-2012 season. The shows will be open to the public, free of charge.

23. The German School of South Florida, Inc.

P.O. Box 431081
Miami, Florida 33243
20th Annual Oktoberfest
October 8, 2011

Award: \$4,500

Funds are requested to support the 20th annual Oktoberfest hosted by The German School of South Florida, Inc. More than 100 children, ages 6-14, will showcase German culture and heritage through music, poetry, art and theater. The community is invited to participate in a fun filled family afternoon event in an outdoor carnival setting. Admission is free and open to the public.

24. The Historic Hampton House Community Trust, Inc.

5400 NW 22nd Avenue, Suite #704
Miami, Florida 33142
Bridging Classics of the Past with Classics of the Future
December 11, 2011

Award: \$5,000

Funds are requested to support a community concert, Bridging Classics of the Past with Classics of the Future featuring the 2011 Community Mass Choir and Hip Hop violinist, Jeffery Hughes, performing G. Handel's Messiah and HIP HOP arrangements of spirituals and other works. This concert is to be performed with chorus and full orchestra directed by Dr. Nelson Hall and is open to the public.