

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(F)(1)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 7, 2013

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

SUBJECT: Resolution recommending
Hurricane Sandy New Jersey
Relief Fund, Inc. and the
Mayor's Fund to Advance New
York City as recipient agencies
for employee-donated funds
from the County's Emergency
Disaster Relief Fund for the
purposes of assisting victims of
Hurricane Sandy

The accompanying resolution was prepared by Internal Services Department and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.



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From: Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor 

Subject: Resolution Recommending *Hurricane Sandy New Jersey Relief Fund, Inc.* and the *Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City* as Recipient Agencies for Employee-Donated Funds from the County's Emergency Disaster Relief Fund for the Purposes of Assisting Victims of Hurricane Sandy

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the attached resolution which authorizes the following:

- Recommends the *Hurricane Sandy New Jersey Relief Fund, Inc.* and the *Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City*, both 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, as the agencies designated to receive funds donated by County employees in response to R-977-12 to assist victims of Hurricane Sandy; and
- Authorizes the equal disbursement of the fund balance as of the end of the pay period immediately after this Resolution becomes effective.

At the time of this writing, the value of funds donated is \$31,795.

SCOPE

The scope of this resolution is countywide as all County employees are eligible to donate time pursuant to R-977-12.

FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE

There is no fiscal impact to the County. The funding source is the County's Emergency Disaster Relief Fund, which is funded by donations made by County employee leave time.

TRACK RECORD/MONITOR

The County has no record of negative performance issues with the recommended agencies. The donation of leave time is monitored by Melanie McLean, Human Resources Division, Internal Services Department.

DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is authorized to disburse funds accumulated in accordance with R-977-12. This item recommends *Hurricane Sandy New Jersey Relief Fund, Inc.* and *Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City* as the recipients of the funds and the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is authorized to transfer the funds at the end of the pay period immediately after this resolution becomes effective.

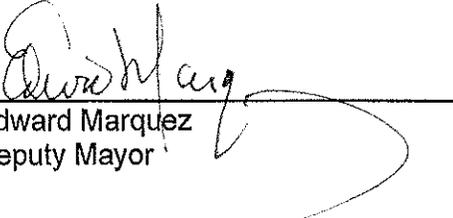
BACKGROUND

At the meeting of November 8, 2012, the Board adopted R-977-12, which authorized employees to contribute the value of accrued annual or holiday leave to provide donations to the County's Emergency Disaster Relief Fund to benefit the victims of Hurricane Sandy. A memorandum was sent to all employees on November 21, 2012 providing instructions and the necessary forms to donate.

As part of R-977-12, staff was directed to evaluate options to donate the funding for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts. More specifically, staff was directed to ensure an effective vehicle for helping the most hard-hit underserved communities ravaged by Hurricane Sandy and present this recommendation(s) to the Board for consideration. The following agencies are recommended:

Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City – This fund is supporting immediate aid needs as well as long-term restoration efforts, including hot meals, relief supplies, homeowner assistance, loans and grants, groceries, debris removal, showers, transportation services and many other initiatives for victims of Hurricane Sandy. One hundred percent of every dollar the organization receives is directed to New York City's recovery; no administration fee is retained by the Mayor's Fund. Additional information on this fund is accessible via: <http://www.nyc.gov/html/fund/html/home/home.shtml>

Hurricane Sandy New Jersey Relief Fund, Inc. – This fund raises and distributes funds to organizations that support the recovery and rebuilding efforts of New Jersey communities impacted by Hurricane Sandy. The fund has raised more than \$31 million to date. Some of the target initiatives of this fund include, but are not limited to, housing assistance, counseling services on financial options and legal issues, economic development to rebuild workforce and small businesses, temporary housing, relocation, and home construction, services for persons with mental health, disabilities and educational difficulties as a result of Hurricane Sandy, college loans/grant programs to assist persons with financial difficulties as a result of Hurricane Sandy, assistance with financial education/planning options and various application procedures, case managers to assist with legal counseling related to Hurricane Sandy, job transition counseling and training services to New Jersey communities to rebuild employment, and business counseling and resource development to rebuild small businesses. This fund requires that 90 percent of all requested funds by organizations seeking this grant funding be used for program-related expenses. Additional information on this fund is accessible via: <http://sandynjrelieffund.org/>


Edward Marquez
Deputy Mayor



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(Revised)

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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 Mayor'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

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Veto _____

5-7-13

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING HURRICANE SANDY NEW JERSEY RELIEF FUND, INC. AND THE MAYOR'S FUND TO ADVANCE NEW YORK CITY AS RECIPIENT AGENCIES FOR EMPLOYEE-DONATED FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY DISASTER RELIEF FUND FOR THE PURPOSES OF ASSISTING VICTIMS OF HURRICANE SANDY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH R-977-12; AND AUTHORIZING DISBURSEMENT OF DONATED FUNDS TO HURRICANE SANDY NEW JERSEY RELIEF FUND, INC. AND THE MAYOR'S FUND TO ADVANCE NEW YORK CITY FOR THIS PURPOSE

WHEREAS, this Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution R-977-12 to allow County employees to contribute leave time to Hurricane Sandy relief efforts; and

WHEREAS, this Board directed the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide the Board recommendation for recipient agencies to provide the value of the leave time accumulated in accordance with R-977-12,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board accepts the Hurricane Sandy New Jersey Relief Fund, Inc. and the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City as the designated recipients of employee-donated leave time in accordance with R-977-12; and authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to equally disburse to these agencies the value of funds accumulated as of the end of the pay period following the effective date of this resolution.

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:

Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman

Lynda Bell, Vice Chair

Bruno A. Barreiro

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Sally A. Heyman

Jean Monestime

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Juan C. Zapata

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.

Audrey M. Edmonson

Barbara J. Jordan

Dennis C. Moss

Xavier L. Suarez

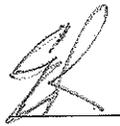
The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of May, 2013. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

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.



Eric A. Rodriguez