



City of Gainesville Agenda Report

File #: 2022-645

Agenda Date: October 13, 2022

Department: City Manager

Title: Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry Contract Update 2022-645 (NB)

Description: The City Manager's Office will provide an update on the funding and contract status for the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry.

Explanation:

The Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry was awarded a total of \$1,150,000 in ARPA funding for homeless support services.

As recommended by the City's external ARPA consultant (GSG), City staff and other financial oversight partners, the subrecipient and award agreements for all organizations awarded ARPA funds will be distributed on a reimbursement basis. Since the City is ultimately responsible for the management of the federal funds, and would be liable to repay funds if required by the U.S. Treasury, this approach reduces the risk of a negative impact to the City.

The following provides an update on the distribution of these funds to the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry:

1. Aid to Nonprofit Organizations Grant - \$750,000

On April 21, 2022, the City Commission approved the Aid to Nonprofit Organization funding recommendations, of which the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry was granted \$750,000. The grant covers the following expenses through December 31, 2024: a housing stabilization case manager and a safety advocate (\$370,000), building renovations (\$300,000) and COVID-19 related hotel accommodations, transportation, personal protective equipment, supplies, and test kits (\$80,000).

The subrecipient agreement for these funds was executed on September 14, 2022. The Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry's first reimbursement request was received on September 22, 2022 and approved on

October 6, 2022 totaling \$93,104.68. The EFT funds transfer is scheduled for October 17, 2022.

2. Homeless Outreach - \$400,000

On December 6, 2021, the City Commission approved \$400,000 in funding for homeless outreach services to be provided by the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry beginning Fiscal Year 2023 effective October 1, 2022. The grant covers the following expenses through September 30, 2023: a director of street outreach and 4 outreach specialists (\$318,760), psychiatric services (\$80,000) and travel expenses for staff (\$1,240).

The subrecipient agreement for these funds is being expedited through the City's contract management process which requires final Procurement and Legal review.

Strategic Connection:

Goal 1: Equitable Community

Goal 2: Sustainable Community

Goal 3: A Great Place to Live and Experience

Goal 4: Resilient Local Economy

Goal 5: "Best in Class" Neighbor Services

Fiscal Note:

Funding for the Alachua County Coalition for the Homeless and Hungry subrecipient agreements is provided by the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds allocated to the City of Gainesville by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Recommendation:

The General Policy Committee hear an update on the status of the subrecipient agreements and funding distribution.