



Committee Minutes

Meeting: 8/27/2020 1:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Sallie Parks, Sara Gordils, Carl Lavender (Listener), Emery Ivery, Stacey Efaw, Bill Sturtevant, Ayakao Watkins

Committee Members Not Present: N/A

Staff Support Present: David Bender, Cheri Wright-Jones, Brittany Baldwin, Duggan Cooley, and Dr. Barbara Morrison-Rodriguez, and Bette Anthony

The meeting began at 1:00 PM, taking place by Zoom Webinar videoconference call. 4 applications were reviewed with a total of \$350,605.00 being requested.

Recusals: n/a

Note applications will be grouped by category, such as food, behavioral health, and eviction mitigation requests.

A total of \$350,605.00 was recommended for funding. The meeting ended at 2:37 PM.

Awarded Grants

Organization Name	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Grant Purpose	Decision Notes
Boys & Girls Club of the Suncoast	\$249,627.00	\$249,627.00	Providing behavioral health services to at-risk youth in response to COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Dr. Barbara Morrison-Rodriguez opened discussion with applicant regarding clarification with behavioral health metrics and has agreed to work with applicant to edit this portion of the application.- Ayakao Watkins motioned to approve request pending the applicant work with Dr. Barbara to make necessary updates to the Behavioral Health Metrics.- Stacey Efaw seconded the motion.- Committee Approval vote was unanimous

Organization Name	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Grant Purpose	Decision Notes
House of Mercy and Encouragement Foundations Inc.	\$45,936.00	\$45,936.00	As a result of COVID-19, transition to complete Telehealth counseling sessions and distributing materials on how to use Telehealth systems.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr. Barbara Morrison-Rodriguez opened discussion with applicant regarding clarification with behavioral health metrics and has agreed to work with applicant to edit this portion of the application. - Emery Ivery motioned to approve request pending the applicant work with Dr. Barbara to make necessary updates to the Behavioral Health Metrics. - Bill Sturtevant seconded the motion. - Committee Approval vote was unanimous
FEAST Inc.	\$43,042.00	\$43,042.00	Provide drive-up food and personal care item distribution system to meet COVID-19 protocol.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sallie Parks requested list of board members be provided by applicant, Tamara Black. - Sara Gordils motioned to approve request pending the applicant provide requested list of board members be provided. - Emery Ivery seconded the motion. - Committee Approval vote was unanimous
Senior Sunshine Series Inc. (Feeding and Supporting the Poor and Homeless)	12,000.00	\$13,200	Increasing food service delivery system and meat purchases to ensure that families in need can get protein (chicken) that has been limited due to shortages from COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sara Gordils requested applicant Jim Blackwell explain lack of DeMinimus cost as part of this initial request. - Cheri Wright-Jones agreed to work with organization to make update to request DeMinimus Cost on back end pending approval. - Emery Ivery motioned to approve request with the understanding that 10% DeMinimus Costs will be included in over all approval. - Ayakao Watkins seconded the motion. - Committee Approval vote was unanimous
TOTAL REQUESTED:	\$350,605.00			
TOTAL AWARDED:		\$351,805.00		

Deferred Applications

Organization Name	Amount Requested	Request	Decision Notes
St. Petersburg Free Clinic	\$1,405,837.00	Provide continued food services to those in need with new COVID-19 protocols in place	As per the request of the applicant, application was reverted to draft status and will be reviewed at a later date once application is re-submitted.

Denied Applications

Organization Name	Amount Requested	Decision Notes
Bee's Learning (VLP)	\$28,335.00	It was pre-determined that app is not a good fit for the fund as it does not fit under specific funding priority requires for NPF.
EmpowHERment (Emp. through Covid)	\$10,000.00	Applicant has not met eligibility reqs: Applicant's 501(c)(3) status is less than one year old.

Organization Name	Evaluator Name	Reimbursement Approval	Score	Comments
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Suncoast Inc.			Average: 90 %	
	Evaluator 1			I could not see where BGC had provided mental health counseling before so I feel it is a 80% little off mission but I feel it is needed now. Since they are using a contractor to provide the mental health services I do not feel it will be a problem.
	Evaluator 2			This is such an important initiative, the biggest problem for low income, young people is 99% idle time, guidance and leadership. These are areas of education they don't always get in school.
	Evaluator 3	No reimbursement request	97%	This request is one that impacts youth countywide and I'm pleased to see that. It seems rather costly per person but I have faith it will be successful.
	Evaluator 4		75%	Need further breakdown and explanation of purchased services line item.
	Evaluator 5		92%	Budget Narrative does not have dollar amounts allocated to budget sections.
	Evaluator 6		96%	In the number of individuals to be served, is the 325 in October, 325 in November, and 325 in December the same 325?
				Why are there individuals served in the month of September?
FEAST Inc.			Average: 92 %	
	Evaluator 1			I thought this application was very to the point and easy to understand. I like that the 93% refrigerators will be able to store fresh healthy food. I thought they did a good job comparing the lease vs buy on the refrigerators.
	Evaluator 2			98% No comment on "Existing Contract". I guess "Not Applicable" correct?
	Evaluator 3			I'm well-acquainted with the good work of FEAST. However, their website is weak-- 93% who's on the board? Who is a contact person? Their list of partners is interesting--a combination of donors and "receivers" and that should have been clarified.
	Evaluator 4	No reimbursement request	81%	will leadership change (mentioned in proposal) impact ability to deliver program and meet accountability standards. Otherwise, meeting a very critical need and solid plan.
	Evaluator 5		program aligns with priority areas - budget aligns with program - 10% deminimis for compliance/admin costs?	
	Evaluator 6		96%	Capital acquisition justified.
				Personal Care items are not a priority in this funding. What part, if any, of the \$27,690 for supplies include personal care items?
				What is the proximity of distribution sites to areas where those using the services live?
House Of Mercy And Encouragement Foundation Inc.			Average: 86 %	
	Evaluator 1	Yes, the organization should be reimbursed based on the provided documentation.	85%	Looks like line item in budget for printing is not correct. The grant appears to fit well into the guidelines.
	Evaluator 2	Yes, the organization should be reimbursed based on the provided documentation.	94%	Although do not have audited statements, they should have certified (by CPA) statements. Did not mention certified statements. There was no narrative of the budget.
	Evaluator 3	Yes, the organization should be reimbursed based on the provided documentation.	93%	Overall, a well-presented application. I would have wished there would have been some discussion about partnering--schools, health care organizations, specific physicians (pediatricians for example) or community-based organizations.. At the same time, I have tremendous respect for this small but dynamic organization.
	Evaluator 4	Yes, the organization should be reimbursed based on the provided documentation.	74%	Budget - position need vs normal operations - counselors
	Evaluator 5	Yes, the organization should be reimbursed based on the provided documentation.	89%	Reimbursement - clear costs not budgeted for - but not clear if already recouped cost: tele-health monthly fee for each counselor? how that request differs from Tampa Bay Resiliency Fund request for tele-health start-up costs.
	Evaluator 6	No, the organization should not be reimbursed based on the provided documentation.	83%	Funding Sources - Need assurance of no supplanting with other COVID requests & regular operations.
Senior Sunshine Series Inc.			Average: 88 %	
	Evaluator 1		79%	I can not see the full 990.
	Evaluator 2		98%	I don't like cutting the agency for not providing audited statements. I would like to see an CPA statement. However, there is a cost with, on the other have the project has great merit, delivering food to food banks.
	Evaluator 3		Some of these are tough calls as these are really tough time for so many.	
	Evaluator 4	No reimbursement request	95%	This is an ambitious project for a small organization and appear to be fulfilling a need in a timely way. I was surprised there was no 990; therefore some IRS reporting questions linger...
	Evaluator 5		74%	Do they have appropriate refrigeration and delivery capabilities?
	Evaluator 6		92%	straight forward program - small org assure federal compliance ability offer 10% for potential admin costs with compliance.
				The Mission of Senior Sunshine Series, Inc has not been clearly articulated. However, based upon their application, I've assumed that their Mission is to provide meat products to the various food banks and other community resources. In addition, because of the amount of their request and the nature of the service that the organization appears to provide, other assumptions have been made in the scoring of this application. More data would have been helpful.
				Questions: Why didn't the organization ask for reimbursement in their application?