



Interoffice Memorandum

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To: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
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County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Approval of Contract Y23-2014, Youth Violence Prevention

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of Contract Y23-2014, Youth Violence Prevention, with Florida Economic Consortium, Inc., in the total contract amount of \$900,000, for a 34-month term.

PURPOSE:

This contract will provide funds to support Youth Violence Prevention programming. Florida Economic Consortium, Inc. (FEC) will serve as a fiduciary agent and enter into culturally responsive, multidisciplinary subaward agreements with Morgan Ministries, PowerTeens, Inc., and King Solomon Foundation to provide programming for Orange County, Florida youth between the ages of 13 - 25. Collectively, these agencies will provide comprehensive community-based strategies to prevent and reduce the incidence of violent crime. The performance period will be March 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025.

FUNDING:

Funding is available in account number 0001-062-2556-8610.

APPROVALS:

The Citizens' Review Panel for Human Services (CRP) recommended FEC to receive CRP funding to provide Youth Violence Prevention. The Citizens' Commission for Children Division concurs with the funding recommendation.

REMARKS:

In accordance with the Code of Ordinances, Part 1, Chapter 17, Article III, Section 17-286 – Application and Exclusions, agreements between the Board and nonprofit organizations are excluded from competitive procurement requirements.

FEC will provide Youth Violence Prevention to support the development, implementation and evaluation of comprehensive local youth violence prevention plans that include research-based strategies that address the root cause of violence across individual, relationship, community, and societal levels; attend to people at greatest risk for youth

violence; reduce the risk factors for violence and promote protective factors among young people, their families, and communities.

The goal of the Youth Violence Prevention program is to connect youth to prosocial caring adults on an ongoing basis, engage youth in life skills and leadership training including, but not limited to, arts; career prep; educational enrichment activities; community service projects; youth events; and academic success.

FEC will utilize youth violence prevention strategies during group sessions to address youth needs. This approach will provide youth with a supportive and caring adult staff who will help them navigate challenges and fortify positive decisions that they will be faced with in the absence of their parents and care givers. These strategies will help youth address specific issues related to violence, such as substance abuse, gang involvement, and conflict resolution. Programming will be provided to youth Countywide.