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AGENDA

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Monday, May 20, 2013

1:00 p.m. Large

Meeting Room Bluffton

Branch Library

120 Palmetto Way, Bluffton

Committee Members:

William McBride, Chairman
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Rick Caporale
Gerald Dawson
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Staff Support

Morris Campbell, Division Director

1. CALL TO ORDER – 1:00 P.M.
2. DISCUSSION / LEASE AGREEMENT WITH BRIDGES CHARTER SCHOOL TO USE CHARLES LIND BROWN CENTER
3. DISCUSSION / OUTSIDE AGENCIES' FUNDING PROCESS (backup)
4. CONSIDERATION OF REAPPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS
 - A. Disabilities and Special Needs Board
 - B. Library Board
 - C. Parks and Leisure Services Board
5. ADJOURNMENT



FY2014 Proposed Standards for Beaufort County Community Services Allocation

Draft

The following proposal is offered as a standard for determining the fair and equitable allocation of county funds for the purposes of providing community services to county residents. This proposal was developed with input from a wide range of human service providers including: Hope Haven of the Lowcountry, Project DEEP WELL, Lowcountry Habitat for Humanity, Disabilities and Special Needs Dept, Penn Center, CODA, CAPA, Bluffton Self Help, Boys & Girls Club, Literacy Volunteers of the Lowcountry, Palmetto Breeze, Coastal Empire Community Mental Health Center, Senior Services of Beaufort County, Salvation Army, Boy Scouts of America, Thumbs Up, Inc and Clemson Extension.

Eligibility Criteria:

Any government or private non-profit (including faith) that serves primarily Beaufort County taxpayers and:

- Is a member agency in the Beaufort County Human Services Alliance
- Funding will directly impact the *Together for Beaufort County* goals & objectives

Eligible applicants are grouped into categories:

Emergency Services
Basic Needs
Health
Environment
Education

Funding Ideas:

Total funds allocated to Community Services could be divided among the five categories:

One possible breakdown, for example (based on prior year's funding allocations)

Emergency Services (18%)
Basic Needs (17%)
Education (4%)
Health (55%)
Environment (6%)

- Maximum possible funding is based on agencies last year's audited budget total for county services.
- Matching funds up to a set maximum are available in support of outside funder's grant.
- Matching funds for coalition initiatives set at 50:50 match
- Possibility of a 3 year funding cycle for proven success over time (renewable annually for 3 yrs)

Deliverables

Recommend yearly agreements are established to provide specific services/outcomes in return for funding support. Reporting requirements outlining deliverables achieved and fund distribution schedules should be included in the agreements.

Review Process

Proposals are reviewed by an independent panel of Alliance members whose agencies are ineligible for these funds (i.e., have no conflicting interests such as the community foundations, United Way etc...). A scoring matrix is developed (see attached) so that proposals can be rated on a point system using the below outlined considerations:

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- Additional consideration (points) could be awarded for proposals that include:
 - The agency's demonstrated stability (history of success in the community)
 - "Matchability" of the allocation (eg. A \$10K allocation leverages \$100K vs. \$20K)
 - How collaborative the agency is within the community
 - Population served (vulnerability/volatility OR % of total population)
 - Agencies that clearly impact more than one category.

Definitions:

Human Services Alliance: A community group made up of over 135 human service agencies (public, private, non-profit, for-profit, faith, health, education and government) in Beaufort County collaborating for increased service delivery and more efficient use of resources.

Together for Beaufort County: A community indicators project used to measure trends and patterns in our community which impact the quality of life of our residents. Currently T4BC has chosen four goals: Economy, Education, Poverty and Health/Environment.

Human Services: Any type of assistance or service offered to residents to improve their quality of life.

Emergency Services: Food, clothing, shelter and emergency services (crisis intervention etc...)

Basic Needs: Support services for residents at-risk (non-emergency) such as credit counseling, furniture, rent/utility assistance,

Health: Physical, mental and behavioral health services.

Education: Workforce development, adult education, leadership development.

Environment: Natural resources such as water, land and wildlife and including recreational and cultural activities.

