



Item:

TeensWork Alachua Summer Youth Employment Program (Deon)

Requested Action:

Receive the information.

Background:

In December 2021, The Children's Trust of Alachua County (CTAC) released the TeensWork Alachua RFP 2021-02, seeking a Contractor or Contractors to manage the Summer Youth Employment Program. On January 5th, 2022, CTAC staff hosted a Bidders' Conference to give an overview of the guidelines, application training, minimum qualifications, and answer questions for the TeensWork Alachua RFP 2021-02. The due date for the submission of applications was January 14th, 2022 @ 3:00 pm. The review process period was January 17th-January 26th, 2022. CTAC received three proposals, which all three proposals met the minimum qualifications for review. A review team consisting of Mary Crown (CareerSource North Central Florida), Cindy Regen (Exactech, Inc.) and Shannon Ritter (Alachua County Public Schools) reviewed and scored the TeensWork Alachua applications independently. A public evaluation was held on Friday, January 28, 2022. Goodwill scored 95.36, Minority Business Listing scored 89.42, and Underground Kitchen scored 77.53.

On February 14th, 2022, the requested action asked the Trust to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate a contract with Goodwill Industries of North Florida. After public comments presented to the board, the board voted to approve and award the contracts for RFP 2022-02, TeensWork Alachua to the top two providers in the amount of \$250,000 total, up to \$125,000 to Goodwill Industries of North Florida, and up to \$125,000 to Minority Business Listings. The board authorize the Executive Director to negotiate with both providers and authorize the Executive Director to bring back a budget amendment increasing the budget for this program from \$500,000 to \$700,000.

Goodwill Industries of North Florida serves as the employer of record for 115 teens, and Computer Aid Inc. (CAI) is the employer of record for teens working with Minority Business Listing 105 teens. CAI contracted with Manpower Staffing to serve teens 16-18, and Remedy Staffing serves teens 14-15. To date Goodwill Industries of North Florida have employed 101 Teens at 19 different job sites. Minority Business Listing have employed 105 Teens at 21 different job sites.

The contract manager for TeensWork Alachua program will provide contract updates, including

success and challenges for each contractor.

Attachments:

N/A

Programmatic Impact:

This program supports Goal 2-All children can learn with the need to be successful,
Strategy 2.5-Support Career Exploration and Preparation.

Fiscal Impact:

\$700,000 Fiscal Year 2022

Account number: 001.15.1500.569.82.00

Recommendation:

N/A