



Item:

Fund Analysis Report FY23 and Unallocated Fund Balance Recommendations

Requested Action:

Receive staff recommendations.

Background

Upon request of the Board, staff was asked to provide an estimate of the available Fund Balance budgeted but not otherwise encumbered. Staff was tasked with providing recommendations for unallocated fund use.

Staff recommendations include \$124,175 to make seven Continuation Partners whole by increasing their funding to cover 12 months rather than the nine-month funding currently allocated.

Total of 7 Continuation Providers	Current Funding	Recommendation
Big Brothers & Big Sisters	\$29,554	\$9,851
Peaceful Paths	\$27,500	\$9,167
FL Institute for Workforce Innovation - PYB	\$75,000	\$25,000
New Tech Now	\$47,792	\$15,931
PACE Center for Girls	\$75,000	\$25,000
UF Shands - PALS	\$75,000	\$25,000
Vineyard	\$42,688	\$14,226
	<u>\$372,534</u>	<u>\$124,175</u>

Staff recommends piloting two Early Learning Initiatives (for a total of \$308,352). First, the Social Emotional Learning Pilot would support two local programs to strengthen families and utilize Conscious Discipline as a trauma-responsive social and emotional learning (SEL) tool. The Circle of Security Parent and TBRI work to strengthen parent-child relationships. TBRI is a trauma-informed intervention for vulnerable children and aids in the attachment, sensory processing, and connection between . The second recommendation is for the Summer Bridge for Head Start Program which will aid displaced families and children during the summer and helps to alleviate summer slide. Six Head Start Centers would serve approximately 164 children in Gainesville, Newberry, High Springs, and Archer. Funding would cover the dates and hours not covered by Head Start funding for VPK or ELC School Readiness. Program would be managed by Episcopal Children Services.

Staff recommends using \$500,000 for Mentorship and Character Building “Mini-Grants”. Staff would release a funding opportunity in June/July for programs with a focus on mentorship and character building. The Trust would offer \$50,000 mini-grants.

Staff recommends using \$100,000 of the unallocated funds for the Summer Camp Incentives approved by the Board.

Staff recommends approving \$50,000 for Greater Bethel AME Camp Excellence as a Summer Camp for 2023. Camp Excellence was funded in 2021 and was not funded in 2022.

Staff recommends initiating an Emergent Need Fund. Use \$150,000 of the unallocated funding for providers and others to apply for assistance for emergency or immediate needs related to capital, administrative, personnel expenses, and/or other emergent issues. Staff will develop an application and criteria to qualify for the funding.

Staff recommends using \$116,000 of the unallocated funds for the additional funding needed for TeensWork Alachua which was approved at the February Board meeting. The Board requested staff bring back its recommendation for where the additional funding should be pulled from.

COLA Recommendation – Staff recommends using \$288,000 of the unallocated funds for Cost-of-Living Adjustments for 2023 for providers with active programs and contracts from 2022 and renewed for 2023. None of the providers have been provided a COLA increase and many have asked if it was possible.

Total Staff Recommendations:

Program Recommendations	Funds Requested
Summer Camp Incentives - <i>Board Approved</i>	\$100,000
Greater Bethel Summer Camp	\$50,000
TeensWork Alachua - <i>Board Approved</i>	\$116,500
Summer Bridge for Head Start	\$183,352
Social and Emotional Learning	\$125,000
Mentorship & Character-Building “Grants”	\$500,000
Emergent Needs Funds	\$150,000
COLA	\$288,000
Continuation Providers	\$124,175
	<u>\$1,637,027</u>

Attachments

Fund Analysis Report
Staff Recommendations for Unallocated Funds

Programmatic Impact:

Goal 2 – All Children Can Learn What They Need To Be Successful

Strategy 2.1 – Support professional development and capacity building

Goal 3 – All Children Have Nurturing and Supportive Caregivers and Relationships

Strategy 3.1 - Support initiatives that connect families to resources

Strategy 3.2 – Improve family strengthening and supports

Goal 4 – All Children Live in a Safe Community

Strategy 4.2 – Delinquency/Truancy Prevention

Strategy 4.3 – Violence Prevention

Fiscal Impact:

\$1,637,027 of Unallocated Funds for Fiscal Year 2023

Recommendation:

Approve the Recommended Funding Allocations