



Item:

YDCBC Capacity Building Funds for Enrichment Providers ITN 2022-04 (Kristy Goldwire)

Requested Action:

- 1) The Trust is asked to approve the release of ITN 2022-04
- 2) The Trust is asked to authorize \$120,000.00 for Capacity Building funds for Enrichment Providers
- 3) The Trust is asked to authorize Executive Director to appoint a review team

Background:

Board Policy 6.50 states that “For every competitive sealed proposal, The Trust shall approve the minimum qualifications, the scope of services, the evaluation criteria, and the evaluation team for each competitive procurement opportunity.” These items have been included in Resolution 2022-05 as Exhibit A

In September 2021, The Children’s Trust of Alachua County (CTAC) announced the start of the Youth Development Capacity Building Collaborative and opened applications to any eligible out-of-school time (OST) providers serving children in K to 12th in Alachua County to participate in the collaborative. The goal of this collaborative is to enhance OST provider’s organizational capacity and strengthen the OST system across Alachua County by:

1. Providing access to training in key areas to improve organizational capacity
2. Supporting providers with capacity building funding and implementation support
3. Convening OST providers around best practices and coordination of services

Out of the collaborative, the Trust created the Youth Development Capacity Building Collaborative Invitation to Negotiate (ITN). The ITN was released to support OST providers’ efforts to improve program quality.

During the December 13, 2021 Trust meeting, the Board approved capacity building funds, in the amount of \$178,961.00, for the seven OST organizations listed below.

1. Alachua County Board of County Commission
2. Boys and Girls Clubs of Northeast Florida
3. Travelling Arts Camp
4. Gainesville Circus Center
5. Aces in Motion
6. Girls Place
7. Kids Count

The Trust Board also requested additional information regarding barriers that restricted Enrichment Providers from applying for capacity funds, suggestions from staff on ways the Trust can provide capacity funds to Enrichment Providers and to create an opportunity for Enrichment Providers to offer funding input to CTAC Staff.

To address Board concerns, staff conducted an internal review of the initial ITN and identified the following qualification that would have deterred Enrichment Providers from applying for the funds.

- Not be an enhancement provider that primarily provides push-in/add-in services to another program.

Program staff met with Enrichment Providers on January 28, 2022 to discuss CTAC's definition of capacity (including examples of allowable requests), provider capacity needs and barriers. During the meeting staff were also able to introduce the proposed funding option to Enrichment Providers that were in attendance.

Today, staff would like to present the YDCBC Capacity Building Funds ITN for Enrichment Providers. The purpose of the ITN is to support Enrichment Providers in the development and implementation of a capacity building plan that focuses on increasing program access, program quality and organizational quality.

Eligible applicants will be awarded grants to implement approved capacity-building plans in FY2022. The total funding available is \$120,000 for approved direct and indirect costs incurred while implementing the capacity building plan between May 1, 2022 and September 30, 2022.

Attachments:

Resolution 2022-05
Exhibit A

Programmatic Impact:

Goal 2 - All children can learn with they need to be successful
Strategy 2.1 - Support Professional Development and Capacity Building

Fiscal Impact:

\$120,000.00 for FY 2021-2022

Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval