



**Item:**

Summer RFP Workshop

**Requested Action:**

The Trust is asked to receive the information and provide feedback

**Background:**

The Trust successfully funded 22 organizations during FY21 to offer summer camp programs to low income families that reside in Alachua County. Of the 22 organizations, there were a total of 24 sites that implemented programs that exposed children to activities that ranged from STEM, performing arts, sports, and academics. Summer camps were located throughout the city of Gainesville and expanded into many of the rural cities, including but not limited to High Spring, Waldo, and Alachua.

The target population for the Summer RFP was children from low-income families living in Alachua County, kindergarteners through 12th grade. Providers recruited and enrolled children into summer camp programming using the following guidelines:

- Full scholarships: children from families at or below 200% 2020 federal poverty threshold, children with Individualized Educational Plan (IEP) and 504 plans, children from families receiving SNAP benefits, children in foster care, children in voluntary and formal kinship care, and children under in-home case management supervision.
- Partial scholarships: children from families between 200% - 400% 2020 federal poverty level

1125 children were enrolled and participated in Trust funded summer programming from May 1, 2021 through August 31, 2021

Trust staff fully intend to release a summer RFP for FY2021-2022. Feedback received from a provider input session, in conjunction with the summer RFP Workshop will guide and inform staff decision making for final RFP language and provider qualifications.

**Attachments:**

Summer Funding Recommendations

**Programmatic Impact:**

The Summer RFP supports Goal 2 – All children can learn what they need to be successful and strategy 2.2 – Expand access to high quality childcare, afterschool, and summer programs

**Fiscal Impact:**

NA

**Recommendation:**

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