



Polk County

Legislation Text

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SUBJECT

Approve the American Rescue Plan Local Fiscal Recovery Funding Agreement with Lake Wales Care Center (\$1,000,000.00 one-time expense)

DESCRIPTION

The United States government has provided the County American Rescue Plan Act funds (ARP Funds) to assist in responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency. A portion of the ARP Funds have been allocated to address COVID-19's impact on public health as well as its economic harm to households, small businesses, non-profits, and impacted industries. After requesting and receiving requests for an allocation of ARP Funds from small businesses and non-profit agencies located in Polk County, the Board selected recipients who will receive an ARP Fund award to address these impacts.

Lake Wales Care Center is a faith-based community service organization that provides services to meet immediate needs and long-term goals of self-sufficiency for individuals/families in the Lake Wales community. Programs offered include Meals-On-Wheels, Adult Literacy, Free Health Clinic, Emergency and Basic Needs, Home Repair Projects, Transitional Housing, Pregnancy Center, two Thrift Stores and much more.

The requested ARP Funds will be utilized to acquire, repair, renovate and further develop real property within the Lake Wales area for Supportive CARE Housing. The facility(s) will house individuals/families that have been in the Transitional Housing program move from affordable rent with support to affordable housing. The goal of the program is to continue to move individuals/families from a structured environment to complete self-sufficiency while maintaining a sense of community and solid support network.

RECOMMENDATION

Request the Board approve the American Rescue Plan Local Fiscal Recovery Funding Agreement with Lake Wales Care Center.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds are available in the Special Revenue Grant fund.

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