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DATE:

May 1, 2012

TO

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Juanita Miles-Hamilton, AHAC Chairperson

SUBJECT:

FY 2012-2013 Community Grant Program Funding Recommendations

On behalf of the State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC), I am honored to present our FY 2012-2013 Community Grant Program (CGP) funding recommendations. The Committee based its recommendations on a thorough review of applications, information provided by staff, and comments from the applicant agencies and the general public. Each agency application for funding was reviewed and considered by the AHAC based on the CGP guidelines. Our funding recommendations reflect the AHAC's concern with making the best use of program funds as established by the City Commission. In addition to considering the impact of each agency's request for funding, the AHAC ensured that all requested programs and services supported one or more of the following funding priorities established by the City Commission:

- Meals for needy individuals and families;
- Health care services for needy individuals and families;
- Veterinary care for pets of homeless individuals and families;
- Utility assistance for needy individuals and families;
- Temporary housing for homeless individuals and families;
- Youth programs (e.g., tutoring, mentoring and related programs);
- Counseling for prisoners and ex-offenders;
- English classes for speakers of other languages;
- Transportation services, by car or van, to and/or for any of the eligible activities; and
- Monthly, full fare, RTS bus passes to provide transportation to and/or for any of the eligible activities.

The AHAC reviewed and evaluated forty-four (44) agency applications, and recommended funding in the amount of \$106,635 to those agencies to provide community programs and services.

The City Commission, at its July 17, 2012 meeting, will consider AHAC's funding recommendations to determine which agencies will be awarded funding to provide services through the CGP. Attached for your reference is a copy of the AHAC's CGP funding recommendations. The summary report shows all requests for funding, along with our recommendations for each activity category by agency.

We respectively and humbly request the City Commission to consider our funding recommendations for the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Community Grant Program.