



Legislation Text

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FY 2006-07 Community Development Block Grant Allocation for the Helping Hands Clinic Support Project to Serve the Homeless and Other Medically Underserved Residents (NB)

This action will allow the transfer of the Helping Hands Clinic Support Project from the Alachua County Health Department to the Alachua County Medical Society Foundation, Inc.

On July 27, 2006, the City Commission approved the allocation of \$7,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the FY 2006-07 budget for the Helping Hands Clinic Support Project to be administered by the Alachua County Health Department. The City was prepared to enter into a subrecipient agreement with the Alachua County Health Department to initiate this project; however, in November 2006, the Health Department decided that it would not accept the conditions of the contract with the City. The Health Department's decision left this project without a responsible entity to administer it. A suitable project sponsor, the Alachua County Medical Society Foundation, Inc., has since agreed to take over this project as an extension of its We Care Program.

Staff proposes that the Helping Hands Clinic Support Project, including the \$7,000 CDBG allocation, be assigned to the Alachua County Medical Society Foundation, Inc. The project will continue to support efforts to provide medical and dental care for the homeless and other medically underserved residents of Gainesville.

\$7,000 in CDBG funds is budgeted in the current fiscal year for this project.

The City Commission: 1) approve the reallocation of \$7,000 in FY 2006-07 Community Development Block Grant funds from the Alachua County Health Department to the Alachua County Medical Society Foundation, Inc.; and 2) authorize the City Manager to execute a subrecipient agreement with the Alachua County Medical Society Foundation, Inc. for the Helping Hands Clinic Support Project.

Alternative Recommendation A: The City Commission decline the offer of the Alachua County Medical Society Foundation, Inc. to take over the Helping Hands Clinic Support Project.

Alternative Recommendation B: The City Commission defer action to a later date.