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EXHIBIT "2"

MEMORANDUM

To: Patrick Greive, CFA, CFP®

Director of Finance and Administration / CFO

From: Johnnetta Moore, Chief, Social Services Division

CC: Daryl Joseph, Director, Parks, Recreation and

Community Services

Re: Recommendation for Distribution of Funds from All Elite Wrestling

Date: November 14, 2019

The Social Services Division is extremely grateful to *All Elite Wrestling and Farah and Farah* for recognizing the needs of individuals victimized through gun violence. The donation of \$163,370 to the Victim Assistance Advisory Council Trust Fund enables those impacted by gun violence to receive the supports and services that will empower them to regain control of their lives and move forward. This financial gift also enhances opportunities to educate and more fully engage the community in violence prevention and intervention.

Having consulted those parties invested in the City's victim assistance efforts, it is recommended that the \$ 163,370 be used in the following manner:

Yictims' Rights Week (This weeklong, national initiative promotes victims' rights and honors crime victims and those who advocate on their behalf)

- Events and activities throughout the week.
- Cost of luncheon, awards, promotions, incidentals, etc.

> Cost of venue, food, guest speakers, entertainment, promotional items, gun locks, marketing, social media, print and incidentals

Services for Victims of Gun Violence (Financial assistance to repair, replace, or compensate for losses due to victimization)

- Up to \$2000 per victimized household
- Monetary assistance to include, but not limited to mortgage/rent, utilities, transitional housing up to seven days, car repair, home repair, prescription medicine, transportation service, food (gift card)
- Victimization was a result of a home invasion, carjacking, robbery, domestic violence, sexual violence, battery, assault, human trafficking, homicide and other gun involved crimes.

Services for Other Crime Victims (Financial assistance to repair, replace, or compensate for losses due to victimization)

- Up to \$800 per victimized household
- Monetary assistance to include, but not limited to mortgage/rent, utilities, car repair, home repair, prescription medicine, transportation service, food (gift card), etc.

\$23,370 Scholarship Fund for Victims of Gun Violence and Other Crimes (Provide crime victims and survivors with the financial wherewithal to achieve or maintain independence by pursuing higher education opportunities.)

- Up to \$4000 per victimized applicant
- Eligibility is limited to either the victim or a member of the victim's family or household
- Eligible individuals must be pursuing a two or four-year degree or participating in a career training or job readiness program
- Publication, recruitment, selection and awarding of the scholarship fund to be managed through a committee appointed by the Victim Assistance Advisory Council and Chief of Social Services

\$30,000 Teen Violence Prevention Program

Background

Families of Slain Children, Inc. (FOSCI) has successfully administered a violence prevention program for teens, Teens on TRAC (Teens Racing Against *Violent* Crimes). Teens on TRAC is a 12-week program for children 13 - 18 years old who have been exposed to violent crime. The program aims to equip children with tools to resolve conflicts in a nonviolent manner, cope with trauma and develop health peer relationships. The curriculum incorporates basic life skills with leadership

training to reducing violent crimes among teens who are at risk for delinquent behavior.

Program Enhancement

To increase the number of children served, referrals for the Teens on TRAC Program will be accepted from community-based organizations, religious institutions, criminal justice agencies and schools. VAAC member organizations and other community agencies will participate in facilitating the weekly sessions. Each cohort will be limited to 30 children to provide individualized attention and develop a sense of community and belonging. Three sessions will be held each year.

Weekly meetings/classes will include the following topics:

- Communication Skills
- Bullying
- Conflict Resolution
- Gun Safety & Awareness
- The Power of Peer Pressure
- Healthy Relationships
- Leadership Development

At the end of each 12-week program, a Graduation Ceremony will be held. As incentive to program and encourage attendance, a gift card will be awarded to participants with at least 75% attendance.

Budget Items

Peer Advisors - stipends for high school and college students
Program Swag - t-shirts, backpacks, promotional items
Educational Materials - books, films
Food - each session (snack packs)
Graduation Ceremonies - meals, venue, programs, certificates
Cards - each participant

Hubbard House, Women's Center of Jacksonville, Families of Slain Children, Justice Coalition, UF Child Protective Team, Project Cold Case, Independent Living Resource Center, University of North Florida Women's Center, Safe Haven of Northeast Florida, Office of Attorney General and the Division's Victim Service Center – all member agencies of the Victim Assistance Advisory Council, will greatly benefit from this newly established resource. Each will be able to expeditiously access services for crime victims utilizing a common application based on specific guidelines and eligibility determination processes. The agencies will access the services through the Victim Services Center.

The Social Services Division serves as a support to the Victim Assistance Advisory Council. As such, the Division, assumes accountability for maintaining the integrity of the fund distribution and preparation and dissemination of programmatic and financial reports on a quarterly basis.