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RE: FY 2020-2021 Public Service Grant Council's Priority Needs Recommendations

Dear Council President Wilson:

On behalf of the Public Service Grant Council (PSGC), allow me to thank you for another opportunity to join with our non-profit partners in ensuring the delivery of vital human services to our most vulnerable citizens (MVPs) to meet their needs.

Over the past year, we have sought to facilitate effective processes for the fulfilment of public service funds. This included ensuring we have sufficient representation in the number of PSG council members who are not only diverse in background, but competent and open to standardized training and scoring processes.

The PSGC continued to work diligently over the last year to look for ways to both educate and collaborate with our partners to improve both the funding and application process. We continued to host workshops and collaborative meetings with subcommittee and full PSG Council members, along with experts in our City's non-profit sector, for purposes of receiving data and analysis to continue effectively aligning our approach for the greatest impact. Additionally, we continued our efforts to meet with all city council members and Mayor's Administrative Officers to help inform and answer questions concerning the new PSGC Most Vulnerable Persons and Needs Continuum Framework.

This past year we implemented the innovative approach to the MVP and Needs Continuum Framework. Based on feedback from our non-profit agencies to date, the new framework proved sufficient in allowing them to position their organizations in categories that best represented their impact. Funding approved for the 2019-2020 grant year did not reveal any adverse impact on the categories.

The PSGC recommends that we maintain the same allocations for the upcoming grant year. They are as follows: Acute (35%), Prevention (40%), and Self-Sufficiency (25%). The percentages have been thoroughly vetted by the PSGC Rules Subcommittee, and maintaining these levels for another year will provide us with additional data and impact analysis.

I have attached a document outlining some of the outcomes our funded organizations will have on these categories during the upcoming year. If you should want to discuss these proposals or the attachment further, please do not hesitate to contact me at either 904-866-3828 or j.v.perry@outlook.com.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jáckié Perry, Chair Public Service Grant Council

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Attachment

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ACUTE

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- 150,400 meals to homeless non-residents and residents
- 165 homeless individuals will obtain stable housing, employment, and medical screenings

Hubbard House

- 800 Safety Plans completed on individuals in life threatening situations
- 2,000 Information and Referrals to other social services

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid

- 300 individuals will be evaluated for eviction
- 50 individuals will be prevented from being homeless through eviction

Mission House

• 415 Individuals will be provided medical screenings in the beach area

The Salvation Army

- 4,000 individuals to receive a week grocery package
- 31,500 individuals will be provided a daily meal

Lutheran Social Services

- 13,400 Individuals in need will receive emergency food
- 475,000 pounds of food will be distributed & 1,900 Individuals in Food Desert Communities will receive food

Feeding Northeast Florida

• 93,552 pounds of food will be distributed in Food Desert Communities

PREVENTION

Volunteers in Medicine

- 400 female patients will be screen for diabetes, cancer, and nutrition assessments
- 52 female patients will be qualified for clinic care

Feeding Northeast Florida

- Using the PSG funds, 480,000 lbs of healthy produce will be acquired during the grant period for delivery to Duval Agencies.
- Using the PSG funds, farm fresh produce with a wholesale value of \$967,680 will be delivered to agency partners annually.

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid Inc. (JALA)

• JALA will provide legal services to 75 of Jacksonville's low-income persons/families who are at risk of losing homes to foreclosure.

Hubbard House, Inc.

• 180 unduplicated low income adult victims of domestic violence to be served.

Vision is Priceless (VIP)

 90% of clinic clients (defined as adults receiving an eye exam at one of our VIP locations) completing a survey will state they have an improved life outcome because of their corrected vision.

Jacksonville Speech and Hearing Center, Inc.

- Fit qualified patients with hearing aids appropriate for their hearing loss.
- Follow-up on post-fitting, Hearing Handicap, inventory/fine-tuning, questionnaire.

Gateway Community Services, Inc.

• Provide specialized trauma treatment for approximately 50 adults with substance use disorders or co-occurring mental health disorders.

Daniel Memorial, Inc.

• Provide onsite housing at Independent Living village.

SELF-SUFFICIENCY

Learn to Read, Inc.

- Generate academic gains and goal completions.
- 54 students will enter into GED classes, other job training, or secure employment.

United Way of Northeast Florida

• Stabilize families through tax credit refunds and taxpayer savings.

The Arc Jacksonville

• 30 persons will participate in career counseling by the Coach, resulting in a vocational profile with a person-centered community employment goal.

Catholic Charities

• 400 individuals will benefit from Workforce Services.

Jacksonville Area Legal Aid, Inc. (JALA)

 JALA will provide 176 of Jacksonville's low-income disabled adults in gaining, increasing, or preserving Social Security, SSI, Medicaid, VA and other disability benefits, and protecting their rights in accessing services to live independently.