



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Consideration of Non-Profit CARES Act Funding Recommendations

PURPOSE: The purpose of this item is for the Carrboro Town Council to consider recommendations to fund non-profits who provide direct assistance to households impacted by COVID-19 with the Town's CARES Act funds.

DEPARTMENT: Housing and Community Services

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INFORMATION: In FY2019-2020, the Town of Carrboro received \$266,000 of Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act money from Orange County to be used for eligible expenditures related to COVID-19.

On June 23, 2020, the Carrboro Town Council allocated these funds to various eligible COVID-19 expenditures, including \$40,000 to support non-profits who are providing direct assistance to Carrboro households affected by the pandemic. This allocation has been included in the FY2020-2021 adopted budget. <<https://carrboro.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=4576406&GUID=76A65447-1A80-41B7-9DC0-E079D089A8DC&Options=&Search=>>

On June 30, 2020, Town staff released a brief, online funding application and invited non-profits who have previously participated in the annual Carrboro/Chapel Hill/Orange County Human Services funding process to apply. Invitations were made via email and followed up with phone calls and subsequent emails. The application was closed on July 8, 2020.

Eighteen (18) applications were received, requesting a total of \$145,180. Applications are located in Attachment B. For expediency, Housing and Community Services staff reviewed the applications, followed up with non-profits if needed, and scored the applications. Recommended funding allocations are provided in Attachment C. Due to the number and amounts of the requests, staff set a maximum and minimum award. Funding recommendations were based on the number of Carrboro residents served and the percentage of minority populations served.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: The FY20-21 Adopted Budget includes \$40,000 of CARES Act federal funds to support these funding recommendations. There is no staff impact.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the Council consider approving the non-profit CARES Act funding recommendations. A resolution approving these funding recommendations is provided as Attachment

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