



Grants Division

CARES Funding Proposal

- The Grants Division has recognized through our various programs the need for workforce development and assistance to those that are facing evictions.
- Many households are underemployed and struggling to afford the rising rent prices.
- Workforce development – assist individuals with gaining more certification, job skills, and higher paying employment
- Housing Needs/Eviction Prevention – assist households that are unable to make ends meet

Results of Rapid Rehousing

- Rapid Rehousing is designed to assist individuals and families with rental security deposit, utility security deposit, up to 1 year of rental assistance (if needed).
- Number Applied – 53 households
- Number Assisted – 27 households
- Evictions Prevented – 3
 - Out of the 4 applicants facing eviction
- Homeless – 85% of applicants were homeless or facing homelessness
- Underemployed – 90% of applicants stated they were seeking better employment.



Workforce Development

- Underemployment seemed to be a trend
 - Not paid a livable wage
 - Rising grocery and rent prices
- Selection of Organizations:
 - Organizations that directly address workforce development for different populations
 - Organizations serve the Fort Pierce area
- Allocation: \$40,000 to three organizations
 - Boys and Girls Club of SLC - \$40,000
 - United Against Poverty SLC - \$40,000
 - Career Source Research Coast - \$40,000

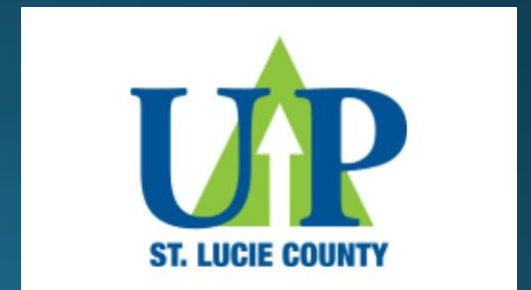
Boys and Girls Club of SLC

- Teens the ages of 13-18
- 6-week program
 - Time management
 - Work attire
 - Communication with co-workers
 - Writing resume
 - Completing job applications
 - Career exploration tours
 - Florida College Tours



United Against Poverty – S.T.E.P.

- The Success Training Employment Program (STEP) is a three year, three phase program designed to help individuals achieve success in finding a career and reach the goal of self-sufficiency or 200% above the federal poverty level.
- Targets all age groups and backgrounds
- Course focuses on:
 - Emotional Intelligence
 - Job Acquisition
 - Workplace skills.
- Participants will also gain certifications through the Retail Learning Institute on:
 - Customer Service
 - Professionalism
 - Sexual Harassment
 - Business Ethics



Career Source

- CareerSource Research Coast provides a network of professionals to connect you with employers throughout the local workforce development area (Indian River, St. Lucie, and Martin Counties).



Housing Issues

- Many households struggled to pay bills on time
- Pay day loans – getting further into debt
- Loosing housing due to landlord selling property
- Allocation to Housing Needs – Florida Rural Legal Service - \$116,000

Florida Rural Legal Service

- FRLS has experience in rapid rehousing/Emergency Rental Assistance/Eviction Prevention
 - Indian River County
 - Palm Beach County



CARES Act Funding Proposal

The Grants Division request approval for the CARES Act Funding for the following programs:

- Workforce Development
 - Boys and Girls Club of SLC - \$40,000
 - United Against Poverty SLC - \$40,000
 - Career Source Research Coast - \$40,000
- Rapid Rehousing
 - Florida Rural Legal Services - \$116,000

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