



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#26-0065

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager

DATE: February 17, 2026

TITLE: Motion Approving the Agreement with CareerSource Broward for the
Summer Youth Employment Program - Not to Exceed \$150,000 –
(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an agreement, in substantially the form attached, with CareerSource Broward for a one (1)-year term for the City of Fort Lauderdale's Summer Youth Employment Program.

Background

CareerSource Broward and the Children's Services Council have partnered to implement the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). The City has participated in the program for the past twenty-one (21) years. All the students in this program are City residents who meet the low-income threshold established by CareerSource Broward. The City uses this opportunity to engage with the community by reaching out to its youth.

Students learn life lessons such as responsibility and teamwork, as well as job skills. The City also provides additional workshops on setting career goals, budgeting money, finding a job and understanding how government works.

CareerSource Broward has agreed to provide a paid summer work experience program to Fort Lauderdale residents ages sixteen (16) through eighteen (18). CareerSource Broward is responsible for recruiting and paying program participants. The City provides up to \$150,000 in funding directly to CareerSource Broward.

Participants will work with various City departments for up to thirty (30) hours per week for up to eight (8) weeks, beginning June 8, 2026. The program will conclude no later than August 4, 2026. Up to sixty-three (63) residents will participate in the program this year based on available funding.

Resource Impact

If approved, there will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$150,000. Funding is available within the Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Budget in the accounts listed on the following

page.

Funds available as of January 13, 2026					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	PROJECT NAME (Program)	CHARACTER/ ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Character)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
10-001-9030-519-40-4299	2026 Summer Youth Employment Program	Other Contributions	\$500,000	\$485,767	\$150,000
PURCHASE TOTAL ►					\$150,000

Strategic Connections

This item supports the Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2029 Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- Guiding Principles, Fiscal Responsibility

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are United

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – CareerSource Broward Summer Youth Employment Agreement

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