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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Susan Grant, Acting City Manager

DATE: November 7, 2024

TITLE: Resolution Approving Fiscal Year 2025 Not For Profit Grant Participation

Agreement with First Call for Help of Broward, Inc., d/b/a 2-1-1 Broward -

\$25,000 – (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving a City of Fort Lauderdale Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Not for Profit Grant Participation Agreement with First Call for Help of Broward, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation d/b/a 2-1-1 Broward, and authorize execution of the agreement in the amount of \$25,000.

Background

With the adoption of the FY 2025 Budget, the City Commission approved contributions to not-for-profit organizations that support the needs of the community while making a positive impact. The benefiting not-for-profit organization is required to execute a participation agreement that provides for the maximum funding amount, terms of contribution, scope of services, and standards of performance.

First Call for Help of Broward, Inc. provides callers with information and referrals that help them to access social program services. The funding will be used to answer calls, texts, and/or live chat sessions and assist approximately 19,500 contacts in Fort Lauderdale who are in need. Approximately 2,500 of these contacts are expected to be Fort Lauderdale residents seeking help to stabilize their housing situations and/or to prevent homelessness. First Call for Help is open 7 days/week, 24/hours/day; records data, updates existing and add new agency and program information in the resource database; conducts outreach activities, such as presentations, municipal/community events, etc., to distribute 211 information to the community at large. Additionally, they prepare City of Fort Lauderdale reports, including resident needs, referrals, unmet needs, demographics, and caller ZIP codes.

Resource Impact

There is a fiscal impact to the General Fund in the amount of \$25,000 in FY 2025. Funding is budgeted and available in the account listed on the following page.

Funds available as of October 7, 2024					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	CHARACTER/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (CHARACTER)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (CHARACTER)	AMOUNT
10-001-9002-519-40- 4210	Other General Government – Social/Cultural	Other Operating Expenses/Social Contributions	\$3,190,228	\$3,190,228	\$25,000
			TOTAL CONTRIBUTION►		\$25,000

Strategic Connections

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

Guiding Principle: Fiscal Responsibility

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We are Community.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Agreement Exhibit 2 – Resolution

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