

AGREEMENT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Grant Program	Volunteer Florida – AmeriCorps
Status	New - Competitive
Funds Requested	\$264,600 (awarded)
Financial Impact Statement	<p>The positive financial impact is \$264,600 for the first year of programming. The source of funds is Volunteer Florida as a state commission of the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS). The District application included a required match. An in-kind match of \$127,182 through administrative staff time was approved. However, for the 2020-2021 contract year, match is not required per CNCS authority to issue a blanket waiver under 42 U.S.C. § 12571(e)(4) and consistent with 45 CFR 2521.70 and as referenced in CNCS COVID-19, FAQ #24. The Commission reserves the right to issue a contract amendment if CNCS requirements change during the contract year. The funding period for the anticipated program is August 1, 2020 – July 31, 2021.</p> <p>The District will potentially incur \$10,500 of expenses through the Student Support Initiatives and Recovery fiscal year 2021 budget to outfit AmeriCorps members with technology for distance learning initiatives.</p>
Schools Included	<p>Participating schools include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Middle: Olsen and West Glades; • High: Boyd Anderson, Deerfield Beach, Miramar, Northeast, and South Plantation.
Managing Department	Student Support Initiatives and Recovery (SSIR)
Source of Additional Information	<p>1. Dr. Philip Harris, Program Manager, Recovery 754-321-1783</p> <p>2. Dr. Antoine Hickman, Chief – SSIR 754-321-1660</p>
Project Description	<p>Multi-year AmeriCorps grants are awarded to eligible organizations proposing to engage AmeriCorps members in evidence-based or evidence-informed interventions to strengthen communities. An AmeriCorps member is an individual who engages in community service through an approved national service position. Members will receive a living allowance - while serving. Upon successful completion of their service, members earn a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award from the National Service Trust that members can use to pay for higher education expenses or apply to qualified student loans.</p> <p>Twenty-one AmeriCorps members will be assigned to targeted schools throughout the seven District zones. In this pilot program, AmeriCorps members will provide academic tutoring, lead school-based mindfulness initiatives, and help organize Broward County Public Schools Day of Service and Love at schools across the District.</p> <p>Programs are designed to be delivered either in person or electronically in compliance with the District’s eLearning guidelines including the utilization of MS Teams for remote communications with impacted community members.</p>
Evaluation Plan	Number of individuals served will be tracked. Rates of chronic absenteeism will be evaluated. Metrics in mindfulness application and school climate will be evaluated.
Alignment with Strategic Plan	This program aligns with District Strategic Plan Goal 1: High-Quality Instruction (Connection to School) and District Strategic Plan Goal 3: Effective Communication (Community Partnerships) as student achievement and engagement increase through community involvement and volunteerism in schools.
Level of Support provided by Grants Administration (GA)	Level 3 – GA staff gathered stakeholders for meaningful consultation of contract terms and oversaw the contract approval process. GA staff liaised with the partner for language negotiations. GA staff will present the item for School Board review and track the agreement through full-execution.