

June 8, 2000

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE CITY OF MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT UNDER THE SAFE ZONE PROJECT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,000, FOR THE TRAINING OF SCHOOL STAFF IN VIOLENCE PREVENTION, FOR THE 2000-2001 SCHOOL YEAR

The City of Miami Police Department has received funds in the amount of \$6,000 to provide training to staff members of Frederick Douglass Elementary School and Jose De Diego Middle School, participants in the Safe Zone Project. The funds will be used to provide staff members with a stipend of \$100 for attending a full day of training prior to the opening of the 2000-2001 school year.

As part of the Safe Zone Project cooperative agreement, the City of Miami Police will provide training to these staff members which will assist them in the identification of potentially violent situations and behaviors. The training will aid school staff in designing and implementing an anti-violence program in their schools. This training will enhance the early identification of students in need of assistance in dealing with anger and violence as well as help to create a climate of respect within the schools.

Staff from the Division of Student Services will provide input on the implementation of this training and ongoing support to the schools as they develop their anti-violence plan.

No local funds are required.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to accept funds from the City of Miami Police Department under the Safe Zone Project cooperative agreement, in the amount of \$6,000, for the training of school staff in violence prevention, at Frederick Douglass Elementary and Jose De Diego Middle School, for the 2000-2001 school year.

No local funds are required.

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