

April 4, 2006

Alberto M. Carvalho, Associate Superintendent
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants Administration, and Community Services

**SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD
FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (FLDOE)
FOR FUNDING THE FLORIDA SAFETY, PREPAREDNESS, AND
RESPONSE COALITION (SPARC) PROGRAM**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Corporation for National and Community Service and Learn and Serve America School-Based Programs, awards grants to the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) to support service-learning activities related to homeland security in the community or schools. The purpose of this program, entitled Florida Safety, Preparedness, and Response Coalition (SPARC), is to prepare schools and communities to address: (1) disaster preparation, mitigation, response, recovery; (2) senior citizen safety; and (3) school and community safety. Authorization is requested to accept a grant award from the FLDOE in the amount of \$49,433, to fund the SPARC Program for the grant period of January 1, 2006, through August 31, 2006. This Program is managed by the Office of Community Services.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), Office of Community Services, has received its first SPARC grant to implement an intergenerational service learning safety program. In accordance with the grant's specifications, M-DCPS is collaborating with the following community partners: Miami-Dade County Fire and Rescue Department; City of Miami Police Department; Miami-Dade College School of Fire and Environmental Science; The Non-Violence Project; and the Alliance for Aging.

Funds will be used for teacher workshops, training seminars for students, substitute teacher coverage, student transportation, out-of-county travel, supplies, and printing. The community partners will cover the required in-kind match, valued at \$41,500, by providing trainers for the teachers and students, program mentors, materials for student presentations, and personnel to serve on the project's advisory council. Indirect cost is not allowed.

Official notification of this grant award was received on February 9, 2006, which is after the start of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective January 1, 2006.

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RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. accept a grant award from the Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) for funding the Florida Safety, Preparedness, and Response Coalition (SPARC) Program in the amount of \$49,433, for the grant period of January 1, 2006, through August 31, 2006;
2. extend this program as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
3. direct Financial Operations to establish appropriations in the amounts approved or as amended by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

AMC/LDB:cn

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET SUMMARY FORM



Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?

Yes

Entitlement Grant

Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Florida Safety Preparedness and Response Coalition (SPARC)

Grant Period Beginning: January 1, 2006 Ending: August 31, 2006
(Date) (Date)

	Total Budget	Salaries (51XX)	Employee Benefits (52XX)	Purchased Services (53XX)	Energy Services (54XX)	Materials and Supplies (55XX)	Capital Outlay (56XX)	Other Expense (57XX)
5000								
6100								
6200								
6300								
6400	7,543.00	5,000.00	543.00	2,000.00				
7100								
7200	*							*
7300								
7400								
7500								
7600								
7700								
7800	11,250.00			11,250.00				
7900								
8100								
9100	30,640.00	10,000.00	1,897.00	13,449.00		5,294.00		
9200								
	49,433.00	15,000.00	2,440.00	26,699.00		5,294.00		

Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization:
 Agenda Item C-81 Board Meeting of April 18, 2006
 (Number) (Date)