

Education
Mercedes Toural, Associate Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FUNDING UNDER THE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH LIBERTY CITY CHARTER SCHOOL; PROJECT CYCLE: OCTOBER 15, 2001 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2002

The Florida Department of Education (FDOE) issued a Request for Proposals under the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program for the purpose of awarding grants to charter schools partnering with local educational agencies in order to provide a high quality education for all students. The Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program provides funds only to those charter schools which have been approved by the local school district, and which have established a collaborative partnership for the oversight and operation of the charter schools. Funds received from this grant will be used to conduct training for operators and teachers of Florida public charter schools.

In collaboration with Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS), Liberty City Charter School submitted a grant application to support dissemination activities regarding charter school operations. It is anticipated that the Charter School will receive the following funding amount:

Grant Type:	Dissemination
Amount of Grant:	\$100,000
Indirect Cost:	\$ 3,660
Contract Amount:	\$ 96,340

In accordance with the FDOE guidelines, M-DCPS will be the fiscal agent on behalf Liberty City Charter School. Authorization is requested for the Superintendent to enter into a contractual agreement with Liberty City Charter School for the amount indicated. The charter school will be responsible for implementing the program outlined in its respective grant application and expending the grant funds.

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Official notification relative to the grant award was received on February 15, 2002. The budget period for the grant award allows for the reimbursement of expenditures beginning October 15, 2001 through June 30, 2002.

No local funds are required.

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

1. accept a grant award from the Florida Department of Education, in the total amount of \$100,000, for funding under the Public Charter Schools Federal Grant Program and enter into a contractual agreement with Liberty City Charter School, in an amount not to exceed \$96,340; Project Cycle: October 15, 2001 through June 30, 2002;
2. extend the grant award and contractual agreement, at no additional cost, for up to one year, as authorized through official notification from the granting agency, if deemed necessary, in order to fully expend the grant award and thus complete the scope of the project; and
3. direct Financial Affairs to establish appropriations in the amounts approved by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

MT:dcr

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

BUDGET SUMMARY FORM



Yes
 No
 Are there any in-kind or matching funds required?

Entitlement Grant
 Non-Entitlement/Contract

GRANT/PROGRAM NAME: Public Charter School Federal Project
 Grant Period Beginning October 15, 2001 Ending June 30, 2002
 (Date) (Date)

FUNCTION	Total Budget	Salaries (51XX)	Employee Benefits (52XX)	Purchased Services (53XX)	Energy Services (54XX)	Materials and Supplies (55XX)	Capital Outlay (56XX)	Other Expense (57XX)
INSTRUCTION SERVICES	96,340			96,340				
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services								
Instructional Media Services								
Instruction & Curriculum Development								
Instructional Staff Training								
Board of Education								
General Administration								
School Administration								
Facilities Acquisitions & Construction								
Fiscal Services								
Food Services								
Central Services								
Transportation Services								
Operation of Plant								
Maintenance of Plant								
Community Services								
Debt								
TOTAL INSTRUCTION AND SUPPORT SERVICES	100,000			96,340				3,660

* Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 3,660

Reviewed By [Signature] Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization: _____
 Division of Budget Agenda Item B-68 Board Meeting of April 17, 2002
 (Number) (Date)