

Mercedes Toural, Chief Education Officer
and Deputy Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT TWO CONTINUATION GRANT AWARDS FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FUNDING THE FRONT PORCH FLORIDA FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAM AND TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS WITH THE FRONT PORCH FLORIDA MIAMI-RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY OF LITTLE HAVANA, AND THE FRONT PORCH FLORIDA OPA-LOCKA / NORTH DADE COALITION

COMMITTEE: EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

These continuation grant awards for the Front Porch Florida Family Literacy Grant Program are funded by the Florida Department of Education. The goal of the Front Porch Family Literacy programs is to provide adult basic education, family literacy services and to assist neighborhoods in becoming self-sufficient by organizing residents to identify and address neighborhood concerns. This program has been in effect since September 2002.

Authorization is requested to accept a continuation grant award, in the amount of \$112,500. Grants funds in the amount of \$82,500 will be used to provide part-time hourly teachers, software, and supplemental materials needed for instructional activities to serve the Miami-Riverside Community of Little Havana. The balance of the grant funds, in the amount of \$30,000, will be used to enter into a contractual agreement with Front Porch Florida Miami-Riverside Community of Little Havana, to provide family support, assistance with crime reduction, and provide housing and economic development. The Chair of the Revitalization Council is Ms. Kathy Rodriguez.

Authorization is requested to accept a continuation grant award, in the amount of \$112,500. Grants funds in the amount of \$82,500 will be used to provide supplemental materials, software, part-time hourly teachers, and other items needed for instructional activities to serve the Opa-Locka / North Dade Community. The balance of the grant funds, in the amount of \$30,000, will be used to enter into a contractual agreement with Front Porch Florida Opa-Locka / North Dade Front Porch Coalition, to provide family support, assistance with crime reduction, and provide housing and economic development. The Chair of the Revitalization Council is Mr. Ulysses Harvard.

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No matching funds are required as a condition to receive the grant funding. This is the second year of contracts for both Front Porch organizations. The total value of both grant awards represents a total benefit to the district of \$225,000.

Official notification of this grant award was received on August 4, 2003, which is after the start date of the grant period. Reimbursement of grant-related expenditures is authorized effective July 1, 2003.

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

1. accept two continuation grant awards from the Florida Department of Education, in the amount of \$112,500 each, for a total benefit to the district of \$225,000, for funding the Front Porch Florida Program for the grant period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004;
2. enter into contractual agreements with Front Porch Florida Miami-Riverside Community of Little Havana, in the amount of \$30,000, and Front Porch Florida Opa-Locka / North Dade Coalition, in the amount of \$30,000, to provide family literacy services and to assist neighborhoods in becoming self-sufficient, for the contract period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004;
3. extend this program and contractual agreements as authorized through official notification from the granting agency in order to complete the goals of the program; and
4. direct Financial Affairs to establish appropriations in the amounts approved or as amended by the granting agency; such appropriations to be reported periodically to the Board.

AMC/th

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: Front Porch Florida Family Literacy Continuation

Grant Period Beginning July 1, 2003 Ending June 30, 2004 (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	218,140	86,400	15,406	60,000		26,534	19,300	10,500
SUPPORT SERVICES:								
Pupil Personnel Services								
Instructional Media Services								
Instruction & Curriculum Development								
Instructional Staff Training								
Board of Education								
General Administration	6,860*							6,860*
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	225,000	86,400	15,406	60,000		26,534	19,300	17,360

*Includes Federal Indirect Costs of 6,860

Reviewed By Jan Judith A Webb Submitted for Board Approval/Authorization: _____
 Division of Budget Agenda Item B-67 Board Meeting of September 10, 2003 (Date)
 (Number)