

School Police and District Security
Gerald D. Kitchell, Acting Chief of Police

SUBJECT: REQUEST AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND CITIZEN'S CRIME WATCH OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, INC.

COMMITTEE: SCHOOL SUPPORT ACCOUNTABILITY

LINK TO STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK: STUDENT, PARENT, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Citizen's Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County, Inc. (CCW), is a non-profit organization that has provided services for Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) and students for nearly 27 years. The services they provide teach students to utilize proactive measures to prevent and reduce crime in our schools, and surrounding community. The program specified for the students of Miami-Dade County Public Schools is the Youth Crime Watch (YCW), which encourages positive peer pressure among students to report crime, change attitudes and take pride in their schools through its series of crime prevention training projects.

The crime watch program supports the District's Anti-Bullying initiative, Youth Violence Prevention Initiative, Being Drug Free and the Student, Parent, and Community Engagement pillar of the District's Strategic Framework.

Citizen's Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County, Inc. will implement curriculum for the Youth Crime Watch Program throughout M-DCPS, as well as provide crime prevention information and technical assistance for organizing Youth Crime Watch Clubs. These services are aligned with the District's Anti-Bullying Initiative, character education efforts and violence prevention strategies implemented throughout schools in the District. Citizen's Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County, Inc. also performed these services during the previous year, at a negotiated cost reduction of \$71,000.

The agreement between the Board and CCW includes a program cost of \$71,000.00, a negotiated cost reduction from \$114,000 for the same services provided in previous years. The term of this contract shall be for one (1) year, with an option to extend for two (2) additional one (1) year periods. Quarterly payment shall be based on the performance of specified deliverables as noted in the terms of the contract.

The Professional Services Contract Committee, established by School Board Policy 6320, reviewed this Board item on June 28, 2012, and recommended that the contract with CCW be granted an exception as a specific expertise.

The appropriation for this item is included in the General Fund through Miami-Dade Schools Police Department under the following budget structure: Fund 100000, Object 53900, Program 73700000, Location 1991300, Function 790000.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, **AUTHORIZE** the Superintendent or his designee to:

1. negotiate and enter into a contractual services agreement between The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, and Citizen's Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County, Inc., in an amount of \$71,000, for services effective August 1, 2012 through July 31, 2013, with an option to extend for two-additional one-year periods at an amount not to exceed \$71,000 for each extension period;
2. grant an exception to Board Policy 6320, for Citizen's Crime Watch of Miami-Dade County, Inc. based on specific expertise; and
3. authorize payment in the amount of \$71,000 for services previously rendered.

GDK/mj