

**CHILDREN'S SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 5TH FLOOR MANATEE ROOM
1112 Manatee Avenue West
Bradenton, Florida
May 20, 2024**

Present were:

Connie Shingledecker, Chairman
Xtavia Bailey, Vice-Chairman
Hon. Scott Brownell
Constance Charles-Logan
Carolann Garafola
Susan Miller Kelly
Melissa Leslie, entered early in meeting
Patricia Miner
Jannon Pierce
Debbie Tapp
Rita Smith

Absent was:

Gina Messenger

Also present were:

Tracie Adams, Deputy Director, Community and Veteran's Services
Kristi Hagen, Children's Services Program Coordinator
Johanna Beville, Senior Human Services Analyst
Melissa Bomar, Human Services Analyst
Lawanda Timmons, Senior Human Services Analyst
Brenda Marquez Facio, Human Services Analyst
Denise Nelson, Deputy Clerk, Clerk of the Circuit Court
Vicki Tessmer, Board Records Supervisor, Clerk of the Circuit Court

Absent was:

Commissioner Ballard

Chairman Shingledecker called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Johanna Beville, Senior Human Services Analyst, read opening comments regarding the procedures for the meeting and declared a quorum.

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AGENDA and SIGN-IN SHEET

CS20240520DOC002

MINUTES

A motion was made by Member Miller Kelly, seconded by Member Pierce, and carried 10-0, with Members Messenger and Leslie absent, to approve the minutes of May 15, 2024.

CORRECTION - SCORE FOR FOUNDATION FOR DREAMS/DREAM OAKS CAMP

Chairman Shingledecker reported on an incorrect score from the May 15, 2024 meeting. The correct score is 88.1 for Dream Oaks.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES DEDICATED MILLAGE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEVEL FUNDING - ALL PROGRAMS

Florida Department of Health Sarasota - Child and Family Well-Being System Coordination Program Systems Advocate Program (Rank n/a)

A motion was made by Member Miller Kelly and seconded by Member Tapp, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$53,875 for Florida Department of Health Sarasota. Rationale: There is a need in the community, works well with community agencies, priority program, and high score program.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 10-0, with Members Leslie and Messenger absent.

Parenting Matters- Chosen Families (Rank 1)

A motion was made by Member Garafola and seconded by Member Brownell, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$395,000 for Parenting Matters- Chosen Families. Rationale: High score, serves the needs of adopted children, is a priority, and has provided critical service in Manatee County.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 10-0, with Members Leslie and Messenger absent.

Manatee Children's Services- Child Advocacy Center (Rank 2)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Brownell, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$922,192 for Manatee Children's Services- Child Advocacy Center. Rationale: High score, excellent results, and follow families for 18 months afterwards.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 10-0, with Members Leslie and Messenger absent.

Parenting Matters - Parent Partner Program (Rank 4)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Brownell, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$285,000 for Parenting Matters- Parent Partner Program. Rationale: High score, great support to the parents and excellent results.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 10-0, with Members Leslie and Messenger absent.

PACE Center for Girls, Manatee- Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Project (Rank 5)

A motion was made by Member Miller Kelly and seconded by Member Garafola, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$243,124 for PACE Center for Girls, Manatee - Teenage Pregnancy Prevention Project. Rationale: Priority program, high score, strong results and serve a unique population.

Dr. Constance Charles-Logan acknowledged that she is not able to vote since she is the Medical Director of the program and would therefore be a conflict. Conflict of Interest Form 8B was submitted.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 9-0, with Dr. Charles-Logan abstaining, and Members Leslie and Messenger absent.

(Enter Member Leslie)

Safe Children Coalition, Inc- Child Welfare Prevention Program (Rank 7)

A motion was made by Member Bailey and seconded by Member Tapp, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$367,566 for Safe Children Coalition, Inc. - Child Welfare Prevention Program. Rationale: High score, very good results, and important priority for our children in the community.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Safe Children Coalition, Inc- Family Preservation and Reunification Program (Rank 8)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Pierce, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$340,000 for Safe Children Coalition, Inc - Family Preservation and Reunification Program. Rationale: High score, and much needed program.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Centerstone of Florida- Children's Community Action Treatment Team (CAT) (Rank 9)

A motion was made by Member Brownell and seconded by Member Garafola, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$798,750 for Centerstone of Florida- Children's Community Action Treatment Team (CAT). Rationale: Provides a service to a very troubled children and has very good results.

Chairman Shingledecker requested an amendment to the motion for a point of clarification that even though the agency is requesting an increase, the approval is for level funding.

Motion was amended by Member Brownell and seconded by Member Garafola, to approve the level funding and not the amount of increase requested by the agency.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Discussion ensued regarding concern when talking about the level of funding, the amounts are different than amounts we are approving, voting on level funding today, and requests for levels of increase will be Wednesday, May 22, 2024 meeting.

Step Up Suncoast- Head Start/Early Head Start (Rank 12)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Smith, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$900,000 for Step Up Suncoast- Head Start/Early Head Start. Rationale: High score, has big matching dollars and brings in a very low millage reliance, positive investment.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Next Generation Academics, Inc.- Alternative Path to Success (APS) (Rank 13)

A motion was made by Member Garafola and seconded by Member Miner, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$95,000 for Next Generation Academics, Inc.-

Alternative Path to Success (APS). Rationale: High score, mentorship program learning which is a priority, managed well financially, including reading which is a priority, high rate of achievement, and very stable leadership.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Insight Counseling Services, Inc.- SOAR (Sexual Offense and Abuse Rehabilitation) Program)
(Rank 14)

A motion was made by Member Garafola and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$126,500 for Insight Counseling Services, Inc.- SOAR (Sexual Offense and Abuse Rehabilitation) Program. Rationale: Goal to reduce sexual abuse is a priority, financially stable, consistent leadership from a clinical standpoint, much needed program in the community, cost savings to the community, great outcomes, and no changes in five years they have worked with the courts.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Boys and Girls Clubs of Manatee County- The Club Teen Program (Ages 13 - 17 years old)
(Rank 16)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Garafola, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$225,000 for Boys and Girls Clubs of Manatee County- The Club Teen Program (Ages 13 - 17 years old). Rationale: Excellent program and much needed in our community, excellent graduation rates, high score, and a priority.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Step Up Suncoast- Healthy Families Manatee (Rank 17)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$433,329 for Step Up Suncoast- Healthy Families Manatee. Rationale: Much needed program in our county, providing excellent service.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County, Inc.- Nemours Reading Brightstart! (Rank 19)

A motion was made by Member Miller Kelly and seconded by Member Dr. Charles-Logan, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$230,000 for Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County, Inc.- Nemours Reading Brightstart! Rationale: Works well with the community agencies, priority program, high score, strong results, and strong program with a history of consistently meeting their results.

Chairman Shingledecker recommended to amend to approve the level funding and not the amount of increase requested by the agency.

Motion was amended by Member Miller Kelly and seconded by Member Dr. Charles-Logan, to approve the level funding in the amount of \$230,000, and not the amount of increase requested by the agency.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.
The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Family Resources, Inc.- SafePlace2B (Rank 20)

A motion was made by Member Garafola and seconded by Member Brownell, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$100,000 for Family Resources, Inc.- SafePlace2B. Rationale: Priority, addresses the needs of vulnerable children particularly from the behavioral standpoint, very much needed in the community, financially managed very well, it is a residential program from 10-17 years old rather than being out on the street, and they work very closely with the courts.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Easter Seals Southwest Florida - Children's Therapy (Rank 21)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$94,440 for Easter Seals Southwest Florida - Children's Therapy. Rationale: High score with strong consistent results, and don't turn people away from their ability to pay.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Boys and Girls Clubs of Manatee County- Great Futures (Rank 22)

A motion was made by Member Tapp and seconded by Member Leslie, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$925,000 for Boys and Girls Clubs of Manatee County- Great Futures Start Here (Ages 5-12 years old). Rationale: Serving lots of children, and priorities are both reading and behavior.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Healthy Teens Inc- Teen Health Educators (Rank 23)

A motion was made by Member Miller Kelly and seconded by Member Garafola, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$143,450 for Healthy Teens Inc- Teen Health Educators. Rationale: High score, great program for students, model program for student the same activities for other students, and teen to teen works great with kids.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Safe Children Coalition, Inc- Youth Intervention Services (Rank 24)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$282,780 for Safe Children Coalition, Inc - Youth

Intervention Services. Rationale: New program, new application was written very well, and past success was excellent.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

The Florida Center- Early Childhood Court (Rank 26)

A motion was made by Member Leslie and seconded by Member Tapp, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$329,287 for The Florida Center- Early Childhood Court. Rationale: High score with priority population, and positive results.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Myakka City Community Center- MAC Morning Care, After School, Camp Myakka (Rank 27)

A motion was made by Member Tapp and seconded by Member Bailey, to recommend level funding in the amount of \$132,002 for Myakka City Community Center- MAC Morning Care, After School, Camp Myakka. Rationale: Unique location and very close relationship with school that the kids go to and high score.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Palmetto Youth Center- Helping Young People Excel (HYPE) (Rank 29)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Leslie, to recommend level funding in the amount of funding in the amount of \$151,583 for Palmetto Youth Center - Helping Young People Excel (HYPE). Rationale: Provide excellent service to community where they are located.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Step Up Suncoast- Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY) (Rank 31)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to recommend level funding in the amount of \$201,426 for Step Up Suncoast - Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY). Rationale: Priority, helps children at risk with literacy being ready for kindergarten readiness for a critical time in their lives, and have had great success.

Chairman Shingledecker recommended to amend approval of level funding and not the amount of increase requested by the agency.

Motion was amended by Member Pierce, seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to approve the level funding in the amount of \$201,426, and not the amount of increase requested by the agency.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

AMIkids Manatee – AMIkids Manatee Prevention Program (Rank 33)

A motion was made by Member Bailey and seconded by Member Tapp, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$80,000 for AMIkids Manatee – AMIkids Manatee Prevention Program. Rationale: Priority, difficult population, working with children who necessarily which almost have a last chance, and a program necessary in continuing to support.

Discussion ensued regarding concerns for all the programs, but does not mean they are not doing a good job.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Centerstone of Florida – Mental Health Evaluation - Baker Act Youth (Rank 34)

A motion was made by Member Brownell and seconded by Member Pierce, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$138,920 for Centerstone of Florida – Mental Health Evaluation - Baker Act Youth. Rationale: Only organization that does this in the county, experts, critical piece of service that has to be done for children.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Manatee County Girls Club, Inc., DBA Just for Girls – Girls Alternative Program for Success (GAPS) (Rank 36)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Dr. Charles-Logan, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$668,645 for Manatee County Girls Club, Inc., DBA Just for Girls – Girls Alternative Program for Success (GAPS). Rationale: excellent success rate.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Manatee County Girls Club, Inc., DBA Just for Girls– Stepping-Up to Success (Rank 37)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Pierce, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$849,466 for Manatee County Girls Club, Inc., DBA Just for Girls– Stepping-Up to Success. Rationale: Excellent success rate and receives matching funds.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast – One to One Mentoring Program (Rank 38)

A motion was made by Member Leslie and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$105,000 for Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast – One to One Mentoring Program. Rationale: Priority, long standing record of leadership consistency and results-based outcomes.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Parenting Matters– Musical Motion (Rank 39)

A motion was made by Member Brownell and seconded by Member Tapp, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$90,000 for Parenting Matters – Musical Motion. Rationale: Developing parenting skills for parents of infants and toddlers, and appears to have good success.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 9-2, with Members Bailey and Pierce voting nay, and Member Messenger absent.

Discussion ensued regarding to undecisive whether or not to support, because there were questions, and would like to see solid results from the program, not sure the results are trackable, one of the locations is not in a Title 1 area, \$90,000 is lot of money covering a new program, attendance is a good measurement and important, age of the children is critical, and location, if tracked, not sure the results are trackable, and be comfortable with moving forward.

United Community Centers, Inc.– Before and After School, Summer Enrichment Plus (BASE+) (Rank 40)

A motion was made by Member Miller Kelly and seconded by Member Tapp, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$345,326 for United Community Centers, Inc.– Before and After School, Summer Enrichment Plus (BASE+). Rationale: Strong score, they provide before and after school enrichment programs, they have two priorities in behavior and reading, percentile is higher.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Educational Consultants Consortium, Inc.– Iron Sharpening Iron (Rank 41)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Bailey, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$164,000 for Educational Consultants Consortium, Inc.– Iron Sharpening Iron. Rationale: Long history with strong leadership.

Ciara Cosby, Assistant Director, Educational Consultants Consortium, thanked the Board for considering level funding.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Palmetto Youth Center– Foundation for Excellence (Rank 45)

A motion was made by Member Bailey and seconded by Member Leslie, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$230,009 for Palmetto Youth Center – Foundation for Excellence. Rationale: Priority program, and extended hours.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Replay Outreach- Succes4Life Training and Mentoring for At-Risk and High-Risk Teens (Rank 46)

A motion was made by Member Bailey and seconded by Member Pierce, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$95,000 for Replay Outreach – Succes4Life Training and Mentoring for At-Risk and High-Risk Teens. Rationale: Unique and difficult population and a priority program.

Discussion ensued regarding agency maintaining the score, and one of the programs that struggle with unique population.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.
The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Tidewell Foundation Inc – Blue Butterfly Family Grief Program, Action (Rank 50)

A motion was made by Member Bailey and seconded by Member Leslie, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$19,880 for Tidewell Foundation Inc – Blue Butterfly Family Grief Program. Rationale: Deals with grief and coping with teens, middle school and elementary, and for the family, needed for our kids, priority, and vital need for this program in the community.

Andrea Dugget asked about the Unidos program.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Children's Home Society of Florida – Focus on Literacy After School and Summer Program (Rank 51)

A motion was made by Member Leslie and seconded by Member Miner, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$80,000 for Children's Home Society of Florida– Focus on Literacy After School and Summer Program. Rationale: Priority, able to help our school aged children during the summer which also is another focus to help with prevention.

Discussion ensued regarding literacy is very important and the children they are serving, regarding concern with this type of program, are they aggressive enough in their approach, do they have enough kids that they are serving, when looking at next year, pay attention to the results, and staff make sure they reach the results that they set for this particular program.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Prodigal Daughters Journey Home- Path to Reunification: Nurturing Family Unity (Rank 52)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$100,000 for Prodigal Daughters Journey Home – Path to Reunification: Nurturing Family Unity. Rationale: Two priorities, and much needed program.

Discussion ensued stating it is a new program if they are funded, they will have an opportunity to work with staff and focus on those results, when a child is taken away from a

parent, they do not necessarily have a place to stay, this program allowed mothers to stay there, number of successes and number of children will be reunited, and cost per result appears high.

Marc Shaffarn, volunteers for program, thanked the CSAB for consideration, and addressed issues that were discussed.

There being no further public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion failed 2-7, with Members Brownell, Tapp, Miller Kelly, Charles-Logan, Pierce, Garafola, and Chairman Shingledecker voting nay and Member Messenger absent.

Suncoast Youth For Christ- Juvenile Justice Ministry (Rank 53)

A motion was made by Member Miller Kelly and seconded by Member Pierce, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$150,000 for Suncoast Youth For Christ - Juvenile Justice Ministry. Rationale: Priority program, provides critical service to our youth that are in trouble, and a vital need for program in the community.

Chairman Shingledecker requested an amendment to the motion for a point of clarification that the approval is for level funding.

The motion was amended by Member Miller Kelly and seconded by Member Pierce, to approve the level funding of \$150,000, and not the amount of increase requested by the agency.

Discussion ensued how the funds are being used during operation of the program, measuring who they are serving from their application, how to measure success, Board of Directors are also employees, no commitment letters, and their results will change if funded.

Carlos Portia, Program Director, Youth for Christ, addressed concern relating to the commitment letters, had a letter of recommendation from the Detention Center, a referral from Teen Court, and take in high offender youth (murder, gun charges, and rape). The program offers bilingual services.

Marc Wiles addressed budget concerns for clarity.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Genesis Health Services, Inc.- Children's Whole-Health Program (Rank 54)

The request was for funding in the amount of \$111,866 for Genesis Health Services, Inc.- Children's Whole-Health Program.

There was no motion to recommend funding.

Legal Aid of Manasota, Inc.- Legal Lifeline for Youth (Rank 56)

The request was for funding in the amount of \$104,000 for Legal Aid of Manasota, Inc.- Legal Lifeline for Youth.

There was no motion to recommend funding.

Sarasota Manatee Association for Riding Therapy- Adaptive Riding and Equine Assisted Services (Rank 57)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Garafola, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of 22,000 for Sarasota Manatee Association for Riding Therapy - Adaptive Riding and Equine Assisted Services. Rationale: When the program is run well, it does good work, and people need therapy.

Discussion ensued that in the past this was a very successful program, great program for students and children, autistic and handicapped children, it has been high scoring, they didn't meet requirements due to Covid, and they do a lot of fundraising.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion carried 11-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Creative Arts Academy- Creative Arts Academy (Rank 59)

A motion was made by Member Bailey and seconded by Member Garafola, to recommend requested level funding in the amount of \$107,000 for Creative Arts Academy – Creative Arts Academy. Rationale: Priority and do not have another program like this.

Discussion ensued that the program is a different approach for children who are at risk before they end up in the court system, gifted children, in favor of the arts, nothing in application that there will be results first, not sure that all were at risk, behavioral changes can be changed and results first; teaching music and kids are doing lights, students get scholarships, and practice with public speaking.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

The motion failed 3-8, with Members Leslie, Charles-Logan, Brownell, Smith, Pierce, Tapp, Miller Kelly and Chairman Shingledecker voting nay and Member Messenger absent.

Isaih 117 House- Isaiah 117 House (Rank60)

The request was for funding in the amount of \$96,000 for Isaih 117 House- Isaiah.

There was no motion to recommend funding.

(Depart Member Garafola)

RECESS/RECONVENE: 5:22 p.m. - 5:34 p.m. – All members present except Members Garafola and Messenger

NON-PRIORITY CLAIMED PROGRAMS

Manatee Children's Services – Residential (Rank 3)

A motion was made by Member Tapp and seconded by Member Bailey, to approve level funding in the amount of \$378,000 for Manatee Children's Services – Residential. Rationale: Essential service, high score.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Meals On Wheels PLUS of Manatee, Inc.– Emergency Family Food and Baby Baskets (Rank 6)

A motion was made by Member Bailey and seconded by Member Pierce, to approve level funding in the amount of \$33,000 for Meals On Wheels PLUS of Manatee, Inc. – Emergency Family Food and Baby Baskets. Rationale: High score.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Foundation for Dreams– Dream Oaks Camp (Rank 10)

A motion was made by Member Tapp and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to approve level funding in the amount of \$250,000 for Foundation for Dreams – Dream Oaks Camp. Rationale: Unique program with unique opportunities for disabled children and high score.

Discussion ensued stating it is a unique camp experience for the students and great opportunity for the parents.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County, Inc.- Early Care and Education Child Care Subsidy and Match Program (Rank 11)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Bailey, to approve level funding in the amount of \$2,185,000 for Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County, Inc.- Early Care and Education Child Care Subsidy and Match Program. Rationale: Excellent program, much needed in our community, and they receive matching funds.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Manatee Children's Services- KIDS Personal Safety (Rank 15)

A motion was made by Member Leslie and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to approve level funding in the amount of \$80,750 for Manatee Children's Services - KIDS Personal Safety. Rationale: Program that helps with children relating to their personal safety.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Centerstone of Florida- Sexual Assault (Rape Crisis) Child Advocacy and Child Therapy (Rank 18)

A motion was made by Member Miner and seconded by Member Leslie, to approve level funding in the amount of \$116,986 for Centerstone of Florida- Sexual Assault (Rape Crisis) Child Advocacy and Child Therapy. Rationale: Very important topic and often hidden, and important to help these children in situations such like this.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Family Resources, Inc.- CERTAIN (Community Effort to Reduce Truancy by Assessing Individualized Needs) (Rank 25)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Dr. Charles-Logan, to approve level funding in the amount of \$350,455 for Family Resources, Inc.- CERTAIN (Community Effort to Reduce Truancy by Assessing Individualized Needs). Rationale: Kids need to be in school, strong program supporting families and kids for better outcomes, support matriculation and graduation, and strong results.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

HOPE Family Services, Inc.- Children's Counseling Program (Rank 28)

A motion was made by Member Bailey and seconded by Member Pierce, to approve level funding in the amount of \$242,880 for HOPE Family Services, Inc.– Children's Counseling Program. Rationale: Overall very important program, high score even though they have not achieved results, and they are actually back in the schools.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Feeding Empty Little Tum mies, Inc.– Feeding Empty Little Tum mies, Inc. (Rank 30)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Leslie, to approve level funding in the amount of \$125,000 for Feeding Empty Little Tum mies, Inc.– Feeding Empty Little Tum mies, Inc. Rationale: Much needed program in the community.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Member Messenger absent.

Step Up Suncoast– Parents as Teachers (Rank 32)

A motion was made by Member Tapp and seconded by Member Bailey, to approve level funding in the amount of \$136,146 for Step Up Suncoast– Parents as Teachers. Rationale: High score, and in-home program which is very important for young kids.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County, Inc.– Coordinated Approach to Child Health (CATCH) (Rank 35)

A motion was made by Member Miller Kelly and seconded by Member Tapp, to approve level funding in the amount of \$150,000 for Early Learning Coalition of Manatee County, Inc.– Coordinated Approach to Child Health (CATCH). Rationale: Works well with other community agencies, strong program with a history of consistently meeting their results, coordinates with other ELC programs, important for our young children to be introduced to nutrition, exercise, and health education at an early age.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Take Stock in Children of Manatee County, Inc.– Mentoring Matters- Impact Over Obstacles (Rank 42)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Tapp, to approve level funding amount of \$100,000 for Take Stock in Children of Manatee County, Inc.– Mentoring Matters- Impact Over Obstacles. Rationale: Medium high score, and provide mentoring services.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Step Up Suncoast– Whole Child Manatee (Rank 43)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Tapp, to approve level funding amount of \$150,687 for Step Up Suncoast – Whole Child Manatee. Rationale: Previously funded.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Step Up Suncoast- Collaborative Action Therapy for Children's Health (CATCH) (Rank 44)

A motion was made by Member Miner and seconded by Member Dr. Charles-Logan, to approve level funding amount of \$143,060 for Step Up Suncoast – Collaborative Action Therapy for Children's Health (CATCH). Rationale: Important program to improve communication skills with children and working on fine motor skills, and will improve a child's life tremendously.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Easter Seals Southwest Florida - Family Support Services (Rank 47)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Miller Kelly, to approve level funding amount of \$57,732 for Easter Seals Southwest Florida - Family Support Services. Rationale: Very important that families that have children with disabilities receive Respite and keep children safe and have exceeded all their targets.

Amanda Corcoran, Easter Seals Southwest Florida, addressed the importance of the respite services and gave her appreciation for the continued support.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

The Salvation Army – Housing-Focused Shelter for Families (Family Shelter) (Rank 48)

A motion was made by Member Tapp and seconded by Member Pierce, to approve level funding amount of \$100,000 for The Salvation Army – Housing-Focused Shelter for Families (Family Shelter). Rationale: Provide service for homeless families that is a vital service.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

UnidosNow – Future Leaders Academy (Rank 49)

A motion was made by Member Pierce and seconded by Member Smith, to approve level funding amount of \$60,000 for UnidosNow – Future Leaders Academy. Rationale: Program reaches population that educates children and families to support furthering education.

Discussion ensued regarding reaches population not normally reached, addressed concern on how the program would serve any more kids since they are already successful, how would it enhance the program, and some of the kids are in Sarasota and trying to get more kids in Manatee County.

Evelyn Amodovar, UnidosNow, stated funding is being requested to have a Manatee County manager to assist.

Motion carried 10-0, with Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Selah Freedom, Inc.- Prevention Training for Manatee County Youth (Rank 55)

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Leslie, to approve level funding amount of \$12,500 for Selah Freedom, Inc.- Prevention Training for Manatee County Youth. Rationale: Ranked number 55, and this is a new program.

Discussion followed regarding no commitment from schools, not sure how they overlapped with the Manatee Children's Services Kids Safety program which is already in the schools, what schools are they going to be in, and how their program is different than the one already funded.

There being no public comment, Chairman Shingledecker closed public comment.

Motion failed 1-9, with Members Bailey, Brownell, Dr. Charles-Logan, Miller Kelly, Leslie, Pierce, Tapp, Miner, and Chairman Shingledecker voting nay, and Members Garafola and Messenger absent.

Manatee County Government – Summer Blast Camp Scholarship (Rank 58)

The request was for funding in the amount of \$67,500 for Manatee County Government – Summer Blast Camp Scholarship.

There was no motion to recommend funding.

NEW/OLD BUSINESS

There was no new or old business.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jonathan Evans and Valerie Green who signed up to speak was absent for comments.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING BALANCE AND REMAINING AMOUNTS

Chairman Shingledecker announced that the recommended funding amount is \$15,473,246, budgeted amount is \$17,691,435, with the remaining balance of \$2,218,189. The balance of the allowed increases is \$1,441,831.

She thanked the Board for their work and support.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chairman Shingledecker adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Minutes Approved: _____