



COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEETING OF: April 8, 2025

CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM 11.D

SUBJECT:

Approval of the Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program in the Amount of \$13,667.09 to Home with Help of Florida, Inc. located in Colonial Center at 1220 S. Federal Highway, Unit 1010

SUMMARY:

The CRA's Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program provides eligible businesses (new or existing) with financial assistance for the initial build-out costs associated with the construction, repair, and/or rehabilitation of commercial building improvement. The Commercial Property Improvement Grant Programs provides a 50% reimbursement of the applicant's expenditure for the eligible improvements up to a maximum grant total of \$50,000. Under the program guidelines eligible improvements must be permanent items that stay with the building. The Program also provides funding assistance related to the design fees for architectural, electrical, civil, mechanical, and/or plumbing improvements for eligible property improvements. Applicants are eligible to receive 50% of the applicant's project budget up to a maximum amount of \$10,000 for design fees.

CRA staff has received a complete grant application from Home with Help of Florida, Inc. located in Colonial Center at 1220 S. Federal Highway, Unit 1010, Boynton Beach, FL 33435 (see Attachments I-III). Home with Help of Florida was created in 2007 out of a lack of small registered nurse-owned healthcare providing personalized care on a daily basis. Owner, Michele Farkas, provides home healthcare services to patients/clients in their homes, assisted living facilities or bedside care in the hospital if needed. Home with Help of Florida purchased their commercial condo in 2016 and employs approximately 30 team members ranging from part-time and full-time positions for nursing administration, client care, office assistant and field positions.

As a medical office, the applicant falls under the terms of a Tier II business as outlined in the grant application. The applicant is seeking reimbursement for new hurricane proof doors/windows, renovation of the interior including new floor moldings removal of popcorn ceilings, repainting, new sink, new lighting, new landscaping, new alarm, and new HVAC. The total cost of eligible property improvements is approximately \$22,778.49 (see Attachment IV).

If approved, the applicant is eligible to receive a maximum grant of \$13,667.09 which includes a 20% contingency in reimbursable funding for the property improvements provided that the applicant expends an equal amount in matching funds as required under the terms of the grant. The grant is reimbursed to the applicant once the City of Boynton Beach Building

Department approves all permit requirements and the proper reimbursement documentation is submitted to CRA staff for approval.

FISCAL IMPACT:

FY 2024-2025 Budget Project Fund, Line Item 02-58400-444, \$13,667.09 Property Improvements

CRA PLAN/PROJECT/PROGRAM:

2016 Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Plan

CRA BOARD OPTIONS:

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ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- [Attachment I - Commercial Property Improvement Grant Application](#)
- [Attachment II - Location Map](#)
- [Attachment III - Lease](#)
- [Attachment IV - Project Quotes](#)