



Legislation Text

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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the North Port Commission

FROM: Peter D. Lear, CPA, CGMA, City Manager

TITLE: Food Distribution Program Host Site Agreement with All Faiths Food Bank

Recommended Action

Approve the Food Distribution Program Host Site Agreement between the City of North Port and All Faiths Food Bank, Inc.

Background Information

According to a local 2018 Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed (ALICE) study, 46 percent of households in Florida could not afford basic needs such as housing, childcare, food, health care, and transportation and 37 percent of households in Sarasota County struggle to afford their basic needs. The All Faith's Food Bank offers various programs to help combat hunger, including a free Backpack Food Distribution Program. Through this program, All Faith's Food Bank will deliver pre-packed 'BackPack' bags at set dates to the George Mullen Activity Center and Morgan Family Community Center for distribution to children during the summer. A typical Backpack bag includes 8-10 kid friendly and nutritious foods. All items are selected by All Faiths' Registered Dietician and meet the nutritional guidelines set forth by the USDA. Participants do not need to certify need or pay anything in order to receive the Backpack.

Parks & Recreation has designated a staff member at each location to act as the Backpack coordinator, and space to meet the storage requirements outlined in the agreement has been identified.

BackPacks will be delivered as follows:

- George Mullen Activity Center - 60 bags per week. Bags will be kept at the check-out area near the front desk. Delivery will occur the weeks of June 3rd, June 24th, July 15th and August 5th.
- Morgan Family Community Center - 25 bags per week. Bags will be kept at the front desk. Delivery will occur the weeks of June 3rd, July 1st and July 29th.

The number of Backpacks delivered may vary based upon participation. Parks & Recreation staff will promote this free food distribution via camp newsletters, postings and social medial.

The proposed agreement has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney as to form and content.

Strategic Plan

Develop and promote City governance that fosters trust and utilizes departmental strengths and innovative philosophies to facilitate effective and efficient provision of all City services.

Financial Impact

There will be no financial impacts to provide this program.

Procurement

N/A

Attachments:

1. Food Distribution Program Host Site Agreement with All Faiths Food Bank

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