

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-143

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK, FLORIDA, SPONSORING CERTAIN NAMED NON-PROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS THAT PROVIDE SERVICES TO CITY RESIDENTS THROUGH FUNDRAISING EVENTS, CITY SPONSORSHIP ACTIVITIES, CASH DONATIONS, AND/OR IN-KIND SERVICES; FORMALLY APPROVING CITY COMMISSION SOLICITATIONS ON BEHALF OF SAID NAMED NON-PROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on October 11, 2011, through the enactment of Ordinance No. 2011-19, the Broward County Commission expanded the "Broward County Elected Official Code of Ethics" (Ethics Code) to apply to all municipal elected officials in Broward County, their specified relatives, and their office staff; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the Ethics Code prohibits cities from supporting non-profit charitable organizations with cash or in-kind services unless the organization is sponsored by a city; and

WHEREAS, a portion of the Ethics Code regulates the act of soliciting charitable contributions or fundraising on behalf of non-profit charitable organizations whereby each act must be disclosed on a form provided by the County Attorney's Office within fifteen (15) days of such act; and

WHEREAS, the Ethics Code establishes an exception to the reporting requirement when the City Commission formally approves the lawful solicitation or fundraising efforts for designated non-profit charitable organizations or fundraising events; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission approves the foregoing list of non-profit charitable organizations that meet the minimum eligibility requirements determined by the City Commission and such finding is a prerequisite for consideration of a donation; and

WHEREAS, cash donations for certain non-profit charitable organizations are provided for and approved as part of the City's annual budget process; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the City and its residents to formally approve the lawful solicitation and sponsorship activities carried out by City Commissioners and the City on behalf of certain listed non-profit charitable organizations that offer services to City residents or host charitable events open to the public located within the City of Coconut Creek.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this resolution.

Section 2: That the City Commission formally approves the following non-profit charitable organizations, fundraising events, and City sponsorship and in-kind activities that advance the goals and objectives of those non-profit charitable organizations, and hereby waives the requirement to report each lawful solicitation for same:

1. Area Agency on Aging of Broward County
2. Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Broward, Inc.
3. BRCAStrong Corp.
4. Broward County League of Cities, Inc.
5. BSA Troop 229 Inc. (Scouting America Troop 229)
6. Coconut Creek Girls Softball, Inc.
7. Coconut Creek Little League Baseball Club, Inc.
8. Coconut Creek Multicultural Circle, Inc.
9. Coconut Creek Firefighter/Paramedic Benevolent Association, Inc.
10. Delta Upsilon Sigma Chapter Sorority, Inc.
11. Do the Right Thing of Coconut Creek, Inc.
12. Dr. Stanley and Pearl Goodman JFS of Broward County, Inc. (Jewish Family Services)
13. Early Learning Coalition of Broward County, Inc.
14. Equine-Assisted Therapies of South Florida, Inc.
15. Family Central, Inc.
16. First Call for Help of Broward, Inc. (2-1-1 Broward)
17. Food for the Poor, Inc.
18. Foundation for Independent Living, Inc.
19. Friends of the North Regional/BC Library, Inc.
20. Greater Fort Lauderdale Diaper Bank
21. Human Services Network, Inc. (Meals on Wheels)

22. Junior Achievement of South Florida
23. Lighthouse of Broward County, Inc.
24. NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) of Broward County, Inc.
25. Seminole Coconut Creek Education Foundation, Inc.
26. S.O.S. Children's Villages – Florida, Inc.
27. South Florida Academy of Learning, Inc. (South Florida Jewish Academy)
28. Sweet Dream Makers, Inc.
29. The Friendship Journey
30. The Lucky Horse Sanctuary, Inc.
31. Tomorrow's Rainbow, Inc.
32. Women's Club of Coconut Creek, Inc.
33. Women in Distress of Broward County, Inc.

Section 3: That the City Commission formally approves the lawful solicitation of contributions for all City-sponsored events, including, but not limited to, the Butterfly Festival, the Butterfly Run, the Coconut Creek Police Explorer 5K, the ArtsFest, and the Senior Expo, and hereby waives the requirement to report each lawful solicitation for same.

Section 4: That the City Commission finds and determines that there may be non-profit charitable organizations that benefit the City that may request donations through the fiscal year and meet the eligibility requirements. These potential non-profit charitable organizations may receive, at the discretion of the City Commission, additional donations or in-kind services that meet all the eligibility requirements. In such case, the non-profit charitable organization will be added to the subsequent year's resolution for official approval by the City Commission.

Section 5: That if any clause, section, other part or application of this resolution is held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, in part or in application, it shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion or applications of this resolution.

Section 6: That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2025.

Jacqueline Railey, Mayor

Attest:

Joseph J. Kavanagh, City Clerk

Railey	_____
Wasserman	_____
Welch	_____
Rydell	_____
Brodie	_____