

District 7 HOA Grant Program Guidelines

Overview

The District 7 HOA Grant Program is designed to provide financial support to Homeowners' Associations (HOAs) located in Miami-Dade County Commission District 7 by providing funding for projects that serve a public purpose. This initiative aims to enhance community well-being and improve the quality of life for all residents.

Eligibility

1. **Applicant:** An applicant must be Florida corporation that is an HOA as defined and governed by Florida Statutes chapter 720.
2. **Geographic Eligibility:** The grant program is open to communities (as such term is defined in section 720.301) located within District 7 pursuant to an application by the HOA that operates such community.
3. **Conflict of Interest:** HOAs with an officer, director or board member who is employed by Miami-Dade County or the Public Health Trust must obtain written approval from the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics, stating that there is no conflict of interest.
4. **Capital Improvements:** Any application for grant funds to be used to construct, repair, maintain, or replace a capital improvement or otherwise improve real property must be for capital improvements/assets and real property that is publicly owned or owned by the HOA.

Public Purpose Requirement

Projects funded by this grant must serve a public purpose and must be open and available for access and use by all County residents such that all County residents have equal access and use of the Project and the HOA shall not discriminate when charging facility admission or use fees, if any, for the Project based on residency. Examples of eligible projects include:

1. Playground Installation
2. Community Garden
3. Street Lighting Improvements
4. Animal Nuisance Projects
5. Stormwater Management Projects
6. Public Safety Enhancements
7. Environmental Conservation Projects
8. Public Wi-Fi Hotspots
9. Transportation Services (e.g., shuttle bus)
10. Recycling Programs
11. Public Restrooms
12. Historical Preservation Projects

Amount Available

[Grants are awarded on a first come first served basis and each applicant can apply for up to \$5000]

Application Process

- **Submission:** Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **Documentation:** Ensure all necessary documents, including the Conflict of Interest approval (if applicable), are submitted along with the application.
- **Project Description:** Provide a detailed description of the proposed project, including its public purpose, anticipated benefits, and implementation plan.

Award and Contract

Award of grant funds will be made by Miami-Dade County Commissioner for District 7 Raquel Regalado (“County Commissioner”) to the HOAs and communities and in the amounts and for the Projects that the County Commissioner deems to be in the best interest of the County and specifically County Commission District 7. Awarded grantees will be notified on a rolling basis via e-mail to the address provided in their application and will be required to execute the attached contract prior to receipt of funds from the County.

Contact Information

For any questions or further assistance, please contact the District 7 office at 305.375.5680 or District7@miamidade.gov