

Budget considerations for 2012 - 2013

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Ed Hunzeker,

Please pass this along to all commissioners for your budget review meeting 6/6/12.

MEMO To All County Commissioners.

Subject need for funds at the One Stop Center, CDBG Funds refused for 2012 – 2013

The Community Coalition on Homelessness, Inc. submitted two request for funds to help us build out the medical facilities area and acquire a building adjacent to us that would permit additional parking and allow the City of Bradenton to issue a permit for our expansion. Both were refused by staff.

We currently are working with Manatee Memorial Hospital to supply a place for their new interns to practice and provide services to individuals without any insurance that fall into the low to very low income level. The two CDBG request would have made this happen. Without these funds we will in all likelihood not be able to do these projects.

The medical community, met several months ago in your chambers, and said loud and clears that we must remove the E/R at Manatee Memorial as a clinic for non emergency issues. It was well recognized that our clinic was a very good answer to relieving this problem. This is depleting your medical emergency fund at a rapid pace and for the most part is a very poor use of these funds.

To help in this area we need your assistance in expanding the clinic at the One Stop that will help with this problem!

Our requests were \$350,000.00 for the construction and build out of the storage facility that would allow the interns to practice here and do it at no cost to the patients.

The second grant request \$200,000.00 to help us with acquiring the adjacent property.

There are additional monies that we will be getting from other sources but we cannot move on this until we have this \$550,000.00 accounted for.

I am requesting that you look carefully at any and all possibilities that will get us the funding needed to make this happen. Waiting another year is a very bad option and one that will have very bad out comes for all involved.

I would be glad to discuss these issue and if needed I am sure Adell Erozer our ED would be glad to as well.

Thanks,

Lee Martin, Building Chairman

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