

City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
September 13, 2016

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Coral Gables and Miami-Dade Broadband Coalition, Inc. d/b/a South Florida Digital Alliance, Inc. for the Technology Learning Centers digital empowerment initiative; and, to receive computer donations for the Coral Gables War Memorial Youth Center training labs.

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:

Approval

BRIEF HISTORY:

The SFDA is a Not-For-Profit (26 U.S.C. 501 (c)(3)) charitable foundation whose mission is to expand digital literacy and provide connectivity to all citizens regardless of income level, throughout South Florida. The SFDA has offered a donation of 20 computers in good condition to the Coral Gables Youth Center computer labs.

The SFDA has constructed the Technology Learning Centers initiative (TLC) with a delivery model that leverages the expertise of its membership as well as the philanthropic drive of our community and partners. In the TLC model, the SFDA provides hardware, Microsoft Operating System and Microsoft Office licensing, and assistance in outreach to develop curriculum workshops for educational purposes.

The TLC program provides access to technology, training, affordable technology packages and sustainable community outreach programs in order to address the education, social and economic realities of our community. The SFDA has developed a strategy to partner with the anchor institutions, such as the City of Coral Gables.

The SFDA is encouraging other community groups to participate in and leverage the TLC program by offering sustainable community outreach and workshops to enhance the quality of the lives of our residents. The SFDA has already established similar relationships and MOU's with other municipalities in South Florida.

The City of Coral Gables and the SFDA through this MOU, in the spirit of a public/private collaboration, seeks to establish a pilot project of one (1) TLC site at the Coral Gables Youth Center; and, have the ability to extend in the future the TLC program to other City locations in a mutually agreed-upon manner and time frame.




LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

Date:	Resolution/Ordinance No.	Comments

FINANCIAL INFORMATION: (If Applicable)

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds
1.			
Total:	NA	APPROVED BY:	

APPROVED BY:

Department Director	City Attorney (If Applicable)	City Manager
		

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Resolution
- 2. Memorandum of Understanding