

**VOLUSIA ECHO ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT 2009/2010 GRANT CYCLE**

The County Council appointed members in May of 2009 and the following members are now serving on the Board.

David Rigsby, Chair
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Jamie Seaman, Deputy County Attorney
Bruce Page, Assistant County Attorney
Margaret Hodge, ECHO Program Coordinator
Sedrick Harris, Administrative Coordinator

The following goals, strategic plan, and timeline were established at the Goal Setting Session of the ECHO Advisory Committee on April 8, 2009.

GOALS

- 1) Conduct a survey to update the list of future potential projects.
- 2) Conduct a review of current ECHO projects.
- 3) Revise and improve policies, procedures, and criteria for 2009/2010 where needed including a review of eligibility requirements for applicants, projects, and scoring.
- 4) Accept and review the 9th cycle of applications and recommend to the County Council projects for grant awards in 2009/2010.
- 5) Maximize the timeline of the ECHO process.
- 6) Continue to enhance public relations efforts regarding ECHO program accomplishments.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

- Survey potential applicants on the application procedures and criteria.
- Seek County Council input on grant application policies and procedures.
- Refine the existing application's format and language.
- Present 2009/2010 Draft Application at a public meeting for input.
- Conduct a workshop with the County Council to better determine the direction of ECHO requirements.
- Present the 2009/2010 Application to the County Council for approval.

- Continue the mandatory application workshop policy and require that all applicants attend the Grant Review Panel meeting.
- Continue to encourage applicants to personally meet with County staff to discuss their specific ECHO project.
- Continue to inform Applicants of the mandatory Completeness Review where County Staff will assist in identifying if the application includes all necessary elements.

Timeline

April 2009

- Staff conducted survey of potential projects for 2008/2009 cycle. **Completed**

May 2009

- Board set 2009/2010 goals and strategic plan. **Completed**
- Board conducts review of the application policy and procedures. ECHO meetings are open to the public and public comments are considered as part of the application process. **Completed**

June 2009

- Board elected 2009/2010 officers and set goals. **Completed**
- Board conducts review of the application policy and procedures. ECHO meetings are open to the public and public comments are considered as part of the application process. **Completed**
- Board meets with County Council for ECHO Workshop. **Completed**

July 2008

- Board completed final changes to the 2009/2010 ECHO Application. **Completed**
- County Council agenda requesting approval of ECHO 2009/2010 Applications/Guides. – **Completed Approved July 16. Significant policy changes this year include: (1) Only projects ranking 80 or higher will be recommended for funding by the ECHO Advisory Committee. County Council may choose to award projects that score 70 to 79.99; (2) Propose that single standard grants be fully open to the public within 2 years and that Exceptional award be reduced to \$800,000 for up to 3 years; (3) Additional restrictions be placed on awards to prevent duplicate projects from being awarded when they are within each others area of residence; (4) Funds from tax increment financing or community redevelopment agencies are not eligible match unless pre-**

*approved by the County Council for a project with County-wide economic impact; (5) A "green" sustainability form and a Business Information form must be filled out to allow the ECHO Review Panel evaluate the applicants on meeting "green" standards and the sustainability of the organization through historic records. **Completed***

- County Council also approved the new program "Emergency Historic Stabilization & Acquisition."

August 2009

- Staff conducted mandatory application workshops. ***Workshops held Tuesday, August 11 and Friday, August 1. Completed***

September 2009

- Promote grant availability via press releases and on web pages. ***Completed***
- E-mail release on availability of ECHO staff for personalized meetings. ***Completed***

October 2009

- Mandatory Technical Completeness Review deadline Thursday, October 8 by Noon. ***Staff received and reviewed 16 applications. All applications arrived on time.***
- Technical Completeness Review reports mailed out by Friday, October 23, 2009. ***Completed***

December 2009

- Grant application deadline Thursday, December 3 by Noon. ***Nine applications were received. All nine were on time. Total amount of requests - \$3,798,858. Total ECHO funds available for award – \$4.9 million.***
- County staff reviews applications for completeness and eligibility. ***Completed***
- December 10, County Council approved its first Emergency Historic Acquisition Project; "Lilian Place." Grant award \$425,100.
- December 18, ECHO Grant Coordinator notifies applicants with "Incomplete" applications. ***Completed***

January 2010 *The following items are not updated at this time.*

- Board determines final eligibility of applications Wednesday, January 13, 3 p.m. Board receives all eligible applications for review.

February 2009

- ECHO Advisory Committee meets on Wednesday, February 10, 3 p.m. for a Pre-Ranking meeting.
- Grant Review Panel ranks applications. Wednesday, February 24, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Deadline for submittal of mandatory supplemental package due to the County by February 26, 4 p.m.

March 2010

- Grant recommendations are taken to County Council for approval.

April 2010

- Grant funds are made available for expenditure by the Grantee.

May – July 2010

- Board reviews the ECHO program to evaluate how well the ECHO program is meeting the goals set forth in Resolution 2000-156.
- Board conducts summer review of the ECHO Application process.
- Board presents recommended application for grant cycle 2010/2011 to the County Council for review and final approval.

August – September 2009

- 2010/2011 Grant cycle begins. Mandatory workshops conducted by ECHO staff.

ECHO LIST OF GRANTS AND REALLOCATION HISTORY (Projects listed in application/grant number order)

2002 Grant Recipients

02-08 County of Volusia – Rendon Park	\$289,500
02-09 Town of Ponce Inlet – 3 rd Order Lens restoration	\$ 39,500
02-12 County of Volusia – Lake Monroe	\$492,800
02-14 MainStreet Assoc., Inc. – Athens Theater	\$500,000 (8,244.85) = \$491,755.15
02-15 Atlantic Center for the Arts, Inc. – Visitor’s Center	\$204,578
02-17 Museum of Arts and Sciences, Inc. – Tusawilla Center	\$500,000
02-24 African American Museum of Art, Inc. – Amphitheater	<u>\$100,000</u>
	\$2,126,378 (8,244.85)=\$ 2,118,133.15

2003 Grant Recipients

03-01 City of New Smyrna Beach – Indian River Lagoon Park	\$290,000
03-02 City of Daytona Beach – Jackie Robinson Ballpark & Museum	\$500,000
03-06 Lively Arts Center, Inc.– Lively Arts Center (1 of 4 grants – exceptional)	\$600,000*
03-07 City of Deltona – Soccer Complex	\$500,000
03-08 City of Edgewater – Hawks Park Complex	\$386,298
03-09 City of Daytona Beach – Main Street Park	\$500,000
03-10 Pioneer Settlement for the Creative Arts, Inc. – High School	\$151,709
03-11 County of Volusia – Green Spring Park	\$370,193
03-12 The Little Theatre of New Smyrna Beach, Inc.	\$467,000
03-13 County of Volusia – DeBary Hall	<u>\$235,000</u>
	\$4,000,200.00

2004 Grant Recipients

04-01 Mainstreet DeLand – Athens Theatre	\$242,000
04-02 City of Holly Hill – Holly Land Park	\$118,736 + \$31,453. = \$150,189.**
04-06 City of Port Orange – Restoration of Gamble Place Structures	\$ 72,200
04-07 County of Volusia – Lake Beresford Loop	\$376,750
04-08 County of Volusia – DeBary Hall Historic Site	\$500,000
04-12 City of Deltona – Neighborhood Dog Park Project	\$204,000
04-13 City of Deltona – Whipple Nature Park Project	\$140,500
04-16 City of Port Orange – Amphitheater Pavilion Phase 4	\$420,000
04-17 City of Lake Helen – West Volusia Multi-Use Trail & Trailhead Facility	\$198,000
04-18 City of Lake Helen – Creative Arts Café	\$156,626
04-19 Bethune Cookman College – Performing Arts Center	\$468,736 + \$31,264 = \$500,000**
04-20 City of South Daytona – Reed Canal Park	\$300,000
04-22 County of Volusia – Dunlawton Sugar Mill Historic Site	\$ 61,731
03-06 Lively Arts Center, Inc. – News Journal Center (2 of 4 grants – exceptional)	\$600,000*
04-03 City of Holly Hill – Holly Forest & Nova Road Neighborhood Park	\$ 31,453 (\$31,453) = \$0.00**
04-21 City of Daytona Beach – Tusawilla Skate Board Park	\$150,000 (\$150,000) = \$0.00**
04-10 Pioneer Arts Settlement – Pioneer Settlement	<u>\$ 90,720</u> (\$90,720) = \$0.00***
	\$4,012,716
	(\$272,173)+\$181,453=\$ 3,921,996.00

2005 Grant Recipients

05-01 City of DeLand – Sunflower Park	\$ 96,600
05-02 City of DeLand – Trails South – DeLand	\$ 58,952.50
05-03 City of DeLand – Sperling Sports Center Practice Fields	\$ 73,500
05-04 County of Volusia – New Smyrna Sugar Mill Historic Site	\$125,500
05-05 County of Volusia – Public Shooting Range	\$218,655.50 (-.50) = \$218,655.00
05-06 County of Volusia – Plymouth Avenue Soccer Complex & Dog Park	\$500,000
05-08 City of Ormond Beach – Central Park Development	\$205,000
05-09 Enterprise Preservation Society, Inc. – Enterprise Heritage Museum	\$ 79,500
05-10 Sands Theater Center, Inc. – Athens Theater Renovation – Phase 4	\$500,000
05-12 City of Edgewater – Hawks Park – Phase III-A	\$ 83,175
05-13 City of South Daytona – Reed Canal Park – Phase II	\$200,000
05-14 City of Daytona Beach – Mainstreet Park – Phase II	\$500,000
03-06 Lively Arts Center, Inc. – News Journal Center (3 of 4 grants – exceptional)	\$600,000*
05-07 DB Community College – WV Partnership Center	<u>\$600,000</u> **** Cancelled
	\$3,840,883 (\$600,000)=\$ 3,240,883.00

2006 Grant Recipients

06-01 County of Volusia – Library Services– Env. Learning Center/Lyonia Preserve	\$500,000
06-02 City of Daytona Beach – Cypress Pool	\$500,000
06-04 Historic DeLand, Inc. – Dutton House	\$234,800
06-05 City of DeLand – DeLand Trails South – Phase II	\$ 73,500
06-07 City of Ormond Beach – Central Park Boardwalk	\$300,000
06-08 DB Community College – Southeast Museum of Photography	\$500,000
06-12 County of Volusia – Leisure Services – Marine Science Ctr. Env. Educ Habitats	\$111,807
06-13 Sands Theater Center, Inc. – Athens Theater Renovation Project	\$266,245
06-14 DeBary Art League, Inc. – Gateway Center for the Arts	\$500,000*****
06-16 Museum of Arts and Sciences, Inc. – Children’s Museum Addition	\$500,000
06-17 City of South Daytona – James Park Improvements	\$200,000
06-18 Pioneer Settlement for the Creative Arts, Inc. – Historic Underhill House	\$ 94,000
06-19 Cultural Arts Center, Inc. – Facility Redesign	\$100,000
03-06 Lively Arts Center, Inc. – News Journal Center (4 of 4 grants – exceptional)	\$600,000
05-07 DB Community College – West Volusia Partnership Center	<u>\$600,000</u> **** Canceled
	\$5,080,352(\$600,000)= 4,480,352.00

2007 Grant Recipients

07-01 Library Services – Volusia County – Env. Learning Center – Lyonia Preserve	\$500,000
07-02 DB Community College – S.E. Museum of Photography	\$600,000
07-03 City of Port Orange – Coraci Athletic Fields – Phase I	\$500,000
07-04 Stetson University – Marshall & Vera Lea Rinker Environmental Learning Ctr.	\$325,000
07-05 Sands Theater Center, Inc. – Athens Theater Renovation Project	\$491,755
07-06 Ormond Beach Historical Trust – 3 Chimneys Arch. Ruins Stabilization	\$ 26,500
07-07 County of Volusia – Leisure Services – Colby Alderman Park	\$243,568
07-08 County of Volusia – Leisure Services – Beck Ranch	\$442,188
07-09 City of Ormond Beach – Rockefeller Gardens and Casements	\$500,000
07-10 City of South Daytona – South Daytona Sensory Garden Park	\$200,000
07-11 Historic DeLand, Inc. – Dutton House Restoration	\$478,900***** Canceled
07-12 City of Lake Helen – Hopkins Hall Restoration	\$158,610
07-13 City of New Smyrna Beach – New Smyrna Beach Skate Park	\$224,167
07-14 City of Daytona Beach – Bethune Point Park Skate Facility	\$400,000
07-15 DeBary Art League, Inc. – Gateway Center for the Arts	<u>\$500,000</u>
	\$5,590,688 (\$478,900)= \$5,111,788.00

2008 Grant Recipients

08-01 Town of Ponce Inlet – Meyer-Davis House & Hasty Cottage/Post Office Restoration	\$223,195
08-02 City of Oak Hill – Village Improvement Association Building Renovation	\$149,240
08-03 Daytona Beach College – ECHO Plaza @ DBC	\$167,982
08-04 City of DeLand – Robert M. Conrad Education & Research Center Expansion	\$ 60,000
08-05 City of DeLand – Fish Building Adaptive Re-use	\$218,700
08-06 City of Port Orange – All Children’s Park Playground & Dawnview Sq. Dog Park	\$175,000
08-07 Leisure Services – Volusia County – East Central Regional Rail Trail 1 and 2	\$600,000
08-08 Stetson University – Homer & Dolly Hand Art Center	\$600,000
08-09 Museum of Arts & Science – Children’s Museum	\$543,000
08-10 West Volusia YMCA – Deltona Splash Park	\$ 57,000
08-11 West Volusia YMCA – DeLand Splash Park	\$ 71,000
08-12 Commemorative Air Force – Aircraft Museum Hanger Expansion	\$175,000
08-13 Town of Ponce Inlet – Ponce Preserve Recreation Facilities – Phase II	\$400,000
08-14 Cultural Arts Center – Cultural Arts Center Land Acquisition	\$207,500
08-15 Gateway Center for the Arts	\$345,854
08-16 Leisure Services – Volusia County – Spring to Spring Trail – Segment 7A	\$600,000
08-17 Enterprise Preservation Society – Enterprise Heritage Mus. Schoolhouse Project	\$140,000
08-18 Ocean Center – Volusia County – Cultural Information Center	\$3,000,000*****
08-19 Art League of Daytona Beach – Side Lot Parking Development	\$ 41,900
08-20 Florida Museum of Art – Children’s Art Annex	\$160,460
08-21 City of Orange City – Valentine Park/Little league facilities	\$ 80,000
07-02 DB Community College – S.E. Mus. of Photography (2 of 2 grants – exceptional)	<u>\$208,048</u>
	\$8,223,879.00

2009 Grant Recipients

09-01 Stetson University – Stover Theater Renovation – Phase I	\$382,522
09-02 Trinity United Methodist Church (Seville) – Soccer Field & Neighborhood Park	\$ 12,500
09-03 Shoestring Theater – Shoestring Theater Restoration/Upgrades	\$120,000
09-04 City of Port Orange – Coraci Athletic Field – Phase II	\$250,000
09-05 City of DeLand – Alabama Trail	\$600,000
09-06 City of Deltona – All Inclusive Playground	\$393,750
09-07 Seabreeze United Church (Daytona Beach) – Historic Church Restoration	\$ 34,628
09-08 Volusia County Coastal Division – Ormond Beachfront Park	\$487,989
09-09 Volusia County Coastal Division – Wilbur-by-the-Sea Beach Park	\$435,950
09-10 Volusia County Coastal Division – Rockefeller Beach Park (Ormond Beach)	\$111,252
09-11 City of Daytona Beach Shores – McElroy Park Renovation	\$ 75,850
09-12 Bethune-Cookman University – Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune Home Restoration	\$259,600
09-13 City of Daytona Beach – Municipal Field Synthetic Turf Project	\$450,000
09-14 City of Daytona Beach – Mid-town Cultural & Education Center	\$600,000
09-15 City of New Smyrna Beach – NSB Chamber of Commerce Restoration	\$382,800
09-16 Volusia County Parks & Recreation – Spring to Spring Trail	\$600,000
09-17 Volusia County Parks & Recreation – East Central Regional Rail Trail	\$439,260
09-18 City of Daytona Beach – E.S. Golden Cultural & Education Center	\$600,000
09-19 Seville Family Association – Seville School Acquisition Project	\$ 47,250
09-20 Museum of Arts & Sciences – Visible Storage Center	\$600,000
09-21 Museum of Florida Art (DeLand) – Core Improvements	\$ 51,199
	\$6,940,550.00
EH09-01 Lilian Place – Approved 12/10/09	\$425,100
	\$7,365,650.00

GRAND TOTAL AWARDED AFTER ADJUSTMENTS: \$38,462,881.15

- * Initially the LAC received a one-year grant for \$500,000. On October 16, 2003 the County Council approved a revision that changed the grant to \$600,000.00 for FY2002/2003, 2003/2004, 2004/2005, 2005/2006 for a total of \$2,400,000.00. For the initial grant the Council approved \$100,000 out of reserves in order to not impact other grant award amounts. According to the agreement the County Council will have to appropriate the funds annually.
- ** The City of Holly Hill declined grant 04-03 due to public input opposing the park. The County Council approved reallocating the funds to the City's other grant 04-02. \$150,000 originally awarded to the City of Daytona Beach was declined due public input regarding the skate park location and due to the City's inability to find another location for the park. On August 5, 2004 the County Council used \$31,264 of these funds to fully award Bethune Cookman College-Performing Arts Center's request (\$500,000) and partially fund the City of Holly Hill Holly Land Park with \$118,736.00.
- *** The Pioneer Art Settlement lost their State grant due to timing and did not have the funds to complete this project. The owners of the Strawn Buildings gave the buildings to another organization. The funds were reallocated by the County Council to provide Exceptional funding to grant 05-07 West Volusia Cultural and Corporate Training Center (this project was later cancelled).
- **** **05-07** The ECHO Board recommended a one-year \$500,000 award. The County Council directed that an Exceptional Award be given this project (\$600,000 for four years). The additional funds were reallocated as part of the Pioneer 2004 grant that was declined by the Pioneer Settlement the same day as the 2005 awards and Reserve. Also at this same time, a 2002 grant recipient, MainStreet DeLand, concluded they would not require \$8,244.85 of their award so that was transferred to the 2005 grant funds. In addition, the \$90,720.00 from the Pioneer Award was also available. It was the intention by Council that this returned award be used to support the Exceptional Award (DBCC). The increased award to DBCC did not negatively impact any other award recommended by the ECHO Advisory Board.
JANUARY 2007 PROJECT CANCELLED
- ***** DeBary Art League, Inc. project \$500,000 grant is \$213,861 ECHO, \$100,000 ECHO Reserve, \$186,139 from County Reserve.
- ***** Dutton House Inc cancelled this project due to lack of match for this grant.
- ***** Ocean Center exceptional award for \$3 million was approved as a one year award by the County Council. Due to the cancellation of other projects the funds were available to award. Generally exceptional awards are paid out at up to \$1 million per year for up to 3 years.