AGENDA ITEM

Central Services

REPORT TO: **Work Session (11/09/26)**

REPORT TO: **Voting Meeting (11/12/26)**

ITEM NO: 769/2026

SUBJECT: Approve the ratification of the application, award, and any further supplemental funding for the FY 2027 Homeland Security Program Grant for Central Services to install a manual transfer switch at the Chicopee Woods Agricultural Center in the amount of $46,250.00, and appoint the Grants Manager as the Program Designee and authorize the Chairman to execute all related application and award documents. A 15% cash match is required.

Meetings:

Work Session Date: 11/09/26

Voting Meeting Date: 11/12/26

Executive Summary:

Presenter: KI

Recommendation:
Approval

Purpose of Request:
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History:

Hall County has received Homeland Security Grant funding since 2010 for the K9 and SWAT Units.

Facts and Issues:

Options:

The Chicopee Woods Agricultural Center serves as a critical community asset, functioning not only as an agricultural center, but also as a designated voting precinct for Hall County voters and as a disaster relief warming station during severe weather events.

A manual transfer switch will ensure minimal power interruption, enabling the agricultural center and library to remain operational and safe for community members when they need it the most.

Enhancing the protection of soft targets and crowded places, including election sites, falls under the list of 2026 National Priority Areas for the Homeland Security Grant Program.

Funding opportunity release date: October 5, 2026

Application due date: October 15, 2026

This is a ratification due to the short turnaround of when the funding opportunity became available, and when an application had to be submitted. That turnaround time didn't fall within a reasonable timeframe to get the application before the Board before the due date.

Funding Requested	$ 6,937.50
Are funds within current budget?	Yes
Source of Funds	Multiple Grant Fund and General Fund
Does the action involve a Resolution, Ordinance, Contract, Agreement, etc.?	No
Has it been reviewed by the County Attorney?	Yes
Is there a deadline for this item?	

Approvals:

Grants	Submit	Approve	Grants
PS	KI	KI	SG
Budget	**Finance**	**Attorney**	**Administration**
JM	TS	JL	CR
Clerk			
JR			

Attachments:

Financial Supplement
Chicopee Woods Ag Center Application

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FINANCIAL SUPPLEMENT REPORT

AGENDA ITEM 769/2026

Funds Requested: $ 6,937.50

Request Budgeted: Yes

Proposed Source of Funding:

Multiple Grant Fund and General Fund

Budget Transfer Requested:

No

Funding Source Items:

Fiscal Year	Fund	Division	Account	Amount
2027	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	1565-BUILDINGS AND MAINTENANCE	331150-FEDERALâ€OPERATING INDIRECT	$-39,312.50
2027	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	1565-BUILDINGS AND MAINTENANCE	522200-REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	$39,312.50
2027	100-GENERAL FUND	1565-BUILDINGS AND MAINTENANCE	522200-REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE	$6,937.50

Budget Transfer Items:

Additional Information/Comments:

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