



Fulton County

Legislation Text

File #: 22-0348, Version: 1

Department

Senior Services

Requested Action *(Identify appropriate Action or Motion, purpose, cost, timeframe, etc.)*

Request approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Senior Services and Georgia State University Concerning their Affiliation for Student Training. Effective upon approval through May 31, 2023. **(APPROVED UPON ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA)**

Requirement for Board Action *(Cite specific Board policy, statute or code requirement)*

Pursuant to O.C.G.A Section 36-10-1, all contracts with the County must be in writing and entered on its meeting minutes.

Strategic Priority Area related to this item *(If yes, note strategic priority area below)*

Health and Human Services

Commission Districts Affected

- All Districts ☒
- District 1 ☐
- District 2 ☐
- District 3 ☐
- District 4 ☐
- District 5 ☐
- District 6 ☐

Is this a purchasing item?

No

Summary & Background *(First sentence includes Agency recommendation. Provide an executive summary of the action that gives an overview of the relevant details for the item.)*

The Department of Senior Services recommends approval. The proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Senior Services and Georgia State University benefits Fulton County seniors aged 60 and above, through student collaboration and the provision of high-quality applied learning experiences under the supervision of the Department of Senior Services and Georgia State University. The Board of Commissioners approved Agenda Item No. 18-0404, which authorizes the Chairman or any other duly authorized official to execute the standard memorandum of understanding and authorizes the County Attorney to approve the standard agreement as to form and substance and make necessary modifications thereof prior to execution.

This MOU allows for the development and implementation of new educational activities and best practices by the students, who will observe and interact with professionals, engage in day-to-day activities by working with older adults and helping to meet the needs of the aging population by undertaking collaborative projects. The students gain occupational skills through hands-on work experience, and the opportunity to apply field-specific knowledge in their work settings. They provide learning tools and skills-building techniques to the senior population.

Scope of Work: The agreement will allow for the Department of Senior Services to collaborate with Georgia State University to provide an educational opportunity to students with majors in social work, gerontology or other aging related fields of study. Students will interact with Department of Senior Services professionals and can observe the senior services delivery model. Additionally, students will facilitate focus groups to gather useful information that will be used to provide research projects and implement topics and skills for seniors.

Community Impact: The community is positively impacted through aging research that has the potential of improving quality of life and supports aging in place.

Department Recommendation: The Department recommends approval.

Project Implications: Through this MOU, DSS staff and Georgia State University students will be able to provide new educational material and receive survey information and feedback from seniors within the senior service delivery model.

Community Issues/Concerns: The community will be able to receive innovative learning materials and benefit from this partnership.

Department Issues/Concerns: There are no Department issues or concerns.