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Sent: Friday, March 07, 2014 11:37 AM
To: Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)
Subject: Re: Mom and Pop Grant Ethics Opinion INQ 14-47

Okay thank you

On Mar 7, 2014 11:26 AM, "Diaz-Greco, Gilma M. (COE)" <GDIAZGR@miamidade.gov> wrote:

Dear Mr. Styles:

Attached is the Mom and Pop Grant Opinion. Please note that it indicates that you *may accept a grant* as long as the Miami-Dade Advocacy Trust is not involved in any way in processing or administering the grant. Further, you *may not lobby for the grant*. (See the County Ethics Code at Secs. 2-11.1 (c) and (m)(1).).

I will send you the original letter via regular mail. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Gilma (Mimi) Diaz-Greco

Staff Attorney



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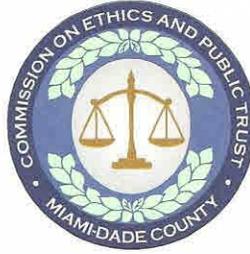
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March 7, 2014

Darryl Styles
D-Money Ent. Inc. Party Rental
780 SW 9th Street
Florida City, FL 33034

Re: INQ 14-47, Mom & Pop Grant

Dear Mr. Styles:

You asked if the County Ethics Code would prevent your privately owned company, D-Money Ent. Inc. Party Rental, from accepting a Mom & Pop Grant funded through Commissioner Dennis Moss's District 9 Office. You are employed by the Miami-Dade Public Works and Waste Management Department as a Waste TD.

Briefly, your company may **accept a grant** as long as the Miami-Dade Public Works and Waste Management Department is not involved in any way in processing or administering the grant. You **may not lobby for the grant**. (See the County Ethics Code at Secs. 2-11.1 (c) and (m)(1).)

Be advised that the County Ethics Commission has interpreted lobbying very expansively when applied to County employees. This means that you may not contact anyone within the County, or anyone working on behalf of the County, in an attempt to influence his/her decision about the grant you are seeking.

Further, if you have not completed a Request for Outside Employment form please make sure that complete it. The form can be found at:

http://www.miamidade.gov/elections/employment_outside.asp

If you are seeking to contact with the County through your privately owned company, then you would also be required to complete the County Employees Wishing to Register as County Vendors form which can be found at:

http://ethics.miamidade.gov/library/forms/county_employee_seeking_to_be_a_county_vendor_2013.pdf

This opinion construes the Miami-Dade Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance only and is not applicable to any conflict under state law. Inquiries regarding possible conflicts under state law should be directed to the State of Florida Commission on Ethics.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gilma Diaz-Greco".

Gilma Diaz-Greco
Staff Attorney

Copies: Leroy Jones,
Executive Director
Neighbors and Neighbors Association, Inc.
180 NW 62nd Street
Miami, FL 33150

Commissioner Dennis Moss
Stephen P. Clark Center
111 NW 1st Street, Suite 320
Miami, FL 33128



Request for Opinion from Commission on Ethics Acquiring Financial Interest

I, Darryl Styles, the owner or president
of _____,
(Owner or President Name)

D-money ENT - Inc, whose business address
is _____,
(Business Name)

780 sw 4th Florida city fl 33034
(Business Address, City, State, Zip)

Are you currently an employee of Miami Dade County? Yes: No:

If yes, what Department? Solid Waste Dept

I am being considered for funding through the Mom and Pop Small Business Grant Program and request the clearance from the Commission on Ethics. Please review my request and forward to Neighbors And Neighbors Association, Inc. to the attention of Leroy Jones, Executive Director, 180 NW 62nd St., Miami, FL 33150 or fax (305) 756-6008. Thank you in advance for your attention to this very important matter.

This page must be fully completed

Commissioner
Dennis Moss