

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, MAY 23, 2023**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 9

**SUBJECT: COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM, NEIGHBORHOOD
REINVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANTS AND CEQA EXEMPTIONS
(DISTRICT: 2)**

OVERVIEW

The County of San Diego is fortunate to have an opportunity to reinvest taxpayer money into our communities for the benefit of the public. This action will assist the County in meeting the needs of the community.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

SUPERVISOR JOEL ANDERSON

1. Allocate \$40,671 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15655) to the City of El Cajon for the City's Police Department to purchase law enforcement Mobile Camera Trailers to allow the El Cajon Police Department to enhance its ability to monitor special events, improved safety, cost-effectiveness, and increase public confidence to monitor and record activities in various locations of high-risk or remote areas.
2. Allocate \$15,000 from the Community Enhancement Program ARPA Budget (Org 12905) to the Jacumba-Boulevard Revitalization Alliance to provide one-time assistance for the cost of Fire Insurance to continue the operations of the Back Country Resource Center located at 12108 Industry Road, Lakeside, CA 92040. The Alliance was adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic when event cancellations and other pandemic responses reduced fundraising opportunities. This funding is needed to maintain the Resource Center to ensure the community of Jacumba has a reliable location for community gatherings, senior/low-income housing, voting center, and many more community related events.
3. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program ARPA Budget (12905) to the San Diego Police Officers Association Foundation to fund their golf venue fees, food, payroll for staff, and contractor invoice for the 14th Annual Charity Golf Tournament for the Widows and Orphans Fund which provides monetary support to families of deceased officers relating to funeral costs and health insurance for the children. The Foundation was adversely impacted by COVID-19 when pandemic response measures such as the cancellation and suspension of events curtailed fundraising activities resulting in a loss of revenue to support events and activities. This funding is necessary to address these pandemic related impacts and to promote fundraising for its Widows and Orphans Fund.
4. Allocate \$75,000 from the Community Enhancement ARPA budget (Org 12905) to The San Diego River Park Foundation to take a comprehensive approach to reducing significant trash accumulation in the San Diego Riverbed in Santee and other areas in District 2. Through their Clean River Program, they will be able to organize a large number of clean-up events to clean up trash along the riverbed and to conduct census survey data for homeless individuals and homeless outreach to clean

out encampments near the San Diego River. The Foundation was adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic when their trash cleaning operations were ceased and trash accumulation increased overtime.

5. Allocate \$6,400 from the Community Enhancement Program Budget (Org 12900) to American Legion Post #479 Department of California to fund various programs that serve veterans in Poway and District 2. The funds will be used to purchase sleeping bags for homeless veterans, Christmas gifts for local active-duty military and their families, and purchase flight tickets and lodging to send 2-4 District 2 youth to the National Boys and Girls State conference in Sacramento.
6. Allocate \$50,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to ArtsBusXpress to provide field trips to District 2 Title I students to arts and cultural sites across all of San Diego County and to fund payroll of staff, transportation, and reservation fees.
7. Allocate \$25,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to NotMeCA, Inc. for its San Diego program to fund equipment costs, ammunition costs, range fees, and permit fees to help safely train, educate, and empower women to defend themselves in San Diego County.
8. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program Budget (Org 12900) to the Poway High Foundation to pay for air travel and attendance ticket costs of the Poway High School Robotics team, Team Spyder 1622, to attend the FIRST Championship robotics competition in Houston, Texas.
9. Allocate \$18,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Ramona Skatepark Champions for its Pop-up skatepark that runs a temporary and portable skatepark out of parking lots in Ramona. The funds will be used to purchase seating, cell phone portable chargers, skateboarding magazines, music, and teen interest books for its “teen lounge” that is typically adjacent to the portable skatepark.
10. Allocate \$100,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the San Diego East County Chamber of Commerce to redesign the chambers website, replace current physical and digital signs displaying its community events and programs, and promote its Leadership East County Program and the bi-annual Health Fair to promote healthy living industry businesses.
11. Amend the purpose of the 10/27/2020 (15) allocation of \$82,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to The Alpine Chamber of Commerce to include rent, payroll, insurance, etc. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs to amend the grant agreement accordingly.
12. Find that the grants have a public purpose and that the grants made using American Rescue Plan Act funds are necessary to address an adverse impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the organizations receiving funds.
13. Authorize the Director, Office of Economic Development and Government Affairs to execute grant agreements or amendments to agreements with the organizations awarded grants establishing terms for receipt of the funds described above and to make minor amendments to the agreements that are consistent with the general purpose of the grants but do not increase the grants.

14. Find that the allocation to San Diego East County Chamber of Commerce is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) by Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

We recognize that the systemic impacts that inequitable policies may create for residents in San Diego County. Find that these proposed allocations of funds are intended to improve the quality of life throughout the County by providing funds for nonprofits whose work addresses inequities, promotes a better quality of life and improves outcomes that align with the vision of our county. Organizations were chosen based on their location or the demographics they serve with a focus on organizations that serve vulnerable community members, youth events and inclusive community events. The organizations that were chosen work to promote a sense of belonging and utilize equity in their operations, outreach and programs. Their supporting documents were reviewed as well as impact reports and community testimony.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The investment of these grant funds into the specified community organizations and non-profits will promote the financial sustainability and economic viability of San Diego County communities for generations to come.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the grant allocations are included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15655), Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act budget (Org 12905), and Community Enhancement budget (Org 12900). The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$40,617 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15655), \$100,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act budget (Org 12905), and \$209,400 from the Community Enhancement budget (Org 12900) totaling \$350,071. The funding sources are Transient Occupancy Tax and General Purpose Revenue. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Lawson-Remer, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Desmond

ABSENT: (District 4 Seat Vacant)

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter

