

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 14

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 \$100,000 from the Community Enhancement ARPA budget (Org 12905) to Alpine Chamber of Commerce for payroll, rent, and member services, as well as providing networking and educational events to support businesses in Alpine, including the 2023 Business Expo, monthly chamber events, and the annual Taste of Alpine event. The Alpine Chamber of Commerce ceased operations in 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic severely limiting their ability to serve active businesses, and process membership fee renewals.
2. Allocate \$140,000 from the Community Enhancement ARPA budget (Org 12905) to Chaldean Community Council for rent, utilities, payroll, maintenance and repairs and equipment purchases for their Community Center located at 405 East Lexington Ave, El Cajon, CA 92020. The COVID-19 significantly limited their ability to provide social services to women and seniors in the Chaldean community by limiting their funding from regular sources.
3. Allocate \$7,900 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Julian Pathways, Inc. for hosting the monthly Julian Backcountry Collaborative, a community meeting focused on promoting wellness for students and families in the region, as well as other community resource outreach events.
4. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Mountain Empire Historical Society for the procurement of documents and artifacts in furthering education and preservation of historical events regarding the Kumeyaay tribe, The Mexican American war, and American Pioneers and current ranchers.
5. Allocate \$20,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Poway Onstage to provide free arts programming to over 40,000 K-12 students and to provide live performances to more than 10,000 visitors in various modalities including music, dance, and theater for the 2023 Arts in Education Initiative in District 2 schools.

6. Allocate \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Poway Rotary Foundation for the 2023 Poway Rotary Parade to hire professional event coordinators to organize 100+ volunteers, obtain city permits, provide disability accommodations such as an ASL interpreter and wheelchair support, and maintain the event's website and social media presence.
7. Allocate \$50,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15655) to Feeding San Diego for purchasing food materials for distribution at its District 2 Mobile Food Pantry and other distribution events.
8. Allocate \$47,637 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15655) to Grossmont Union High School District to buy a bacon slicer and pig scalding for the Mobile Processing Unit at the El Capitan High School Agriculture Department to enable El Capitan students to gain career technical knowledge of the agricultural industry
9. Allocate \$30,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15655) to Oasis San Diego for tablets, technology training, and internet connectivity for 830 low-income seniors in District 2 to support outreach to low-income senior housing communities in District 2.
10. Allocate \$31,782 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15655) to Poway High Foundation for the Café Innovate expansion at Poway High School Library located at 15500 Espola Road, Poway, CA 92064 to purchase and install equipment and furniture, including a Makerbot 3D printer to enable students access to creative tools that will equip them to succeed in the marketplace of the future.
11. Allocate \$25,000 from Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15655) to the San Diego Black Chamber of Commerce to support implementation of the materials grant program at the Urban Resource Center to provide businesses and organizations in underserved zip codes with equipment and facilities upgrades.
12. Transfer appropriations of \$10,000 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) Services and Supplies to the Department of Parks and Recreation (Org 52737), Services and Supplies for preliminary planning and conceptual design of the San Diego Regional Firefighter Memorial. **(4 VOTES)**
13. 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.
14. 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.

15. Find that the allocations to Feeding San Diego, Grossmont Unified School District, Oasis San Diego, and San Diego Black Chamber of Commerce are exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) by Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines. Find that none of the exceptions to categorical exemptions listed in Section 15300.2 apply to these allocations.

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 Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan Act budget (Org 12905), Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900), and Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15655). The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$240,000 from the Community Enhancement American Rescue Plan budget (Org 12905), \$47,900 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900), and \$184,419 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15655) totaling \$472,319. 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 Fletcher, seconded by Supervisor Desmond, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

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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