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Hi Supervisors,

About item 18, COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT GRANTS for DISTRICT 4

I do not think that all of these these benefit the County: enhance the elevated pro-LGBTQ+ energy?; maintaining and reinstalling banners?; SD Air & Space Museum videos for seniors?; a mural to inspire and motivate?; a fair which raises the collective conscience of inequities (shames people?)

A number of these are worthy causes, but the bang for the buck (our tax dollars) on some of these seems awfully nebulous.

11. is Allocate \$200,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to the

San Diego Foundation to acquire computer equipment such as desktops, laptops, servers,

headphones, printers, and docking stations to support remote work for cover the staff to

develop and continue philanthropic initiatives, outreach activities to inform the community of

charitable opportunities, and support COVID-19 pandemic relief efforts.

[A lot of money for stuff which is being done already.]

13. Allocate \$50,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to the

Regents of the University of California to help support the University of California Health

Milk Bank Outreach.

[Why is SD giving money to UC?]

15. Allocate \$10,000 from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15665) to Catalyst of San Diego & Imperial Counties to support the Lived Experience Advisors by providing funds for laptops, cell phones, and office equipment, which will be used to ensure homelessness solutions are more effective and sustainable.

[Not sure how laptops, cell phones, and office equipment will make homelessness solutions more effective and sustainable]

I really wish these projects were justified on the basis of need, not in general terms (like help support or ensure solutions are more effective.

And BTW, I also would advise against the use of County funds to support access for Afghan refugees (or anyone else) to the ineffective (immunity down to 2 months?) COVID-19 vaccination.

Regards,

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