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CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

#### **AGENDA ITEM**

DATE:

**September 14, 2021** 

TO:

**Board of Supervisors** 

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**SUBJECT:** 

**COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANTS (DISTRICT: 5)** 

#### **OVERVIEW**

The Community Enhancement Program provides grant funds to cultural activities, job creation, museums, visitor and convention bureaus, economic development councils, other similar institutions/organizations, including County programs and projects, which promote and generate tourism, economic development, and/or a better quality of life both at the regional and community levels throughout San Diego County.

### RECOMMENDATION(S) SUPERVISOR JIM DESMOND

- 1. Allocate \$20,150 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to the Filipino American Cultural Organization to help with cost associated with the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Filipino Cultural Celebration, free Tagalog language classes, Senior Member Program for mental health checkups and outings, and the Local Higher Education Scholarship Program.
- 2. Allocate \$50,000 from Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900) to Free to Thrive to support the North County Family Justice Center's trauma-informed legal services position.
- 3. Find that these grants have a public purpose.
- 4. Authorize the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Chief Financial Officer to execute grant 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.

### **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

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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 by providing services to all with an emphasis on underserved communities. The organizations that were chosen work to promote a sense of belonging and utilize equity in their operations, outreach and programs.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The fiscal impact of these recommendations is \$70,150 from the Community Enhancement Program budget (Org 12900). Funds for this request are included in the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operational Plan for the Community Enhancement Program (Org 12900). The funding sources are Transient Occupancy Tax Revenues. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

#### **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

#### ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT

N/A

#### **BACKGROUND**

## Filipino American Cultural Organization

The Filipino American Cultural Organization (FACO) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that was founded in 1976. Their mission is to preserve and promote cultural heritage through education, charitable and cultural activities. Each year, the City of Oceanside Public Library helps to hold a yearly "Filipino Cultural Celebration" in downtown Oceanside, featuring Filipino dance groups, fashion and a cooking show. FACO also provides free Tagalog classes to the public, a Senior Member Program to keep older adults mentally stimulated, and a scholarship program for students to achieve higher education. Today's allocation of \$20,150 will help FACO with the 20th Annual Filipino Cultural Celebration, free Tagalog language classes, Senior Member Program for mental health checkups and outings, and the Local Higher Education Scholarship Program.

#### Free to Thrive

Free to Thrive is a nonprofit organization that empowers survivors of human trafficking to be free from exploitation and to thrive by providing them with holistic and trauma-informed legal support and services. In collaboration with services partners, Free to Thrive increases access to justice for all survivors. The San Diego County District Attorney's Office (SDCDA) is partnering with Free to Thrive to support the new North County Family Justice Center located in San Marcos. Their trauma-informed legal services will directly benefit survivors and victims of domestic violence in District 5. Today's allocation of \$50,000 will support the North County Family Justice Center's trauma-informed legal services position.

#### LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

The Community Enhancement Program supports safe and vibrant communities, encourages sustainable environments, and promotes healthy families through grants to non-profit organizations, government agencies, and County departments.

Respectfully submitted,

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JIM DESMOND Supervisor, Fifth District

ATTACHMENT(S) N/A **SUBJECT:** 

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