

Attachment N:

November 15, 2022 - Staff Report

Staff report for Council Action 2022-11-15-1205 outlining Council approval of the Community Support NOFA contract awards for local services providers focusing on youth, housing and homeless support, workforce development, and community well-being



City of Stockton

Legislation Text

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APPROVE BY MOTION THE COMMUNITY SUPPORT GRANT PROGRAM RECOMMENDATIONS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH AWARDEES

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council approve a motion to:

1. Approve the recommended Community Support Grant Program awardees and amounts;
2. Approve and authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute contracts with the recommended awardees in the total amount of \$2,678,900, with discretion to adjust the award amount to each awardee based upon final negotiated services;
3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to take appropriate and necessary actions to carry out the purpose and intent of this motion.

Summary

The City of Stockton, like most communities throughout the country, was negatively impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency. Nonprofits and other community-based organizations were called upon to serve those most in need, while often times facing significant reductions in revenue streams. Through funding provided by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Council authorized the development of a Community Support Grant Program to provide essential support to households in Stockton. The City issued a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) offering a one-time grant to eligible organizations providing programs, services, or activities that respond to and mitigate the various COVID-19 related community impacts. Through this grant program, awardees will enter into a subrecipient agreement with the City to deliver various approved programs and activities.

DISCUSSION

Background

During the pandemic, the City partnered with several organizations and nonprofits to provide community services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. This included the issuance of 49 grants through the September 2020 Community Support NOFA to provide food distribution and other support services for households and community members in need. Additional activities that were undertaken with COVID response funds includes youth homeless services at the Children's Home of Stockton, known as the Catalyst Transitional Housing Program, and an expansion of the Emergency Food Bank's Mobile Farmer's Market Program.

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The funding for many of these critical programs is expiring, with the need for services remaining. The ARPA-funded Community Support Grant Program will allow the City to award funds for existing successful programs, the development of new programs, and to create opportunities to partner with local organizations and nonprofits.

On September 14, 2021, Council approved by motion 2021-09-14-1501, the City of Stockton's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding distribution. This approval included \$2.7 million for the Community Support NOFA.

Present Situation

The Community Support NOFA was issued on August 8, 2022, with 69 application submittals requesting more than \$16 million in grant funds. Staff reviewed all applications for eligibility and completeness and are proposing the below 35 recommendations for awards based on the information provided in the applications.

Organization	Recommended Award	Activity Category
Children's Home of Stockton	\$300,000	Youth Housing
University of the Pacific	\$125,000	Youth Education
Community Partnership for Families of San Joaquin	\$75,000	Community/Youth Wellbeing
Central Valley Low Income Housing Corporation	\$48,900	Homeless Support
Emergency Food Bank	\$100,000	Food Distribution
Parents By Choice	\$50,000	Youth Employment
Boys & Girls Club	\$50,000	Youth Education & Recreation
United Way of San Joaquin County	\$50,000	Youth Education
Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce	\$100,000	Workforce Development
Aspiranet	\$75,000	Youth Housing
Rising Sun Center for Opportunity	\$40,000	Youth Employment
Delta Sculling Center	\$75,000	Youth Recreation
Children's Museum of Stockton	\$200,000	Youth Education
Catholic Charities	\$30,000	Food Distribution
Stockton Symphony Association	\$100,000	Arts & Culture
The Edible Schoolyard Project	\$75,000	Food Distribution/Youth Education
Service 1 st of Northern California	\$60,000	Food Distribution/Health Services
Victory in Praise Church	\$50,000	Youth Education
Second Harvest of the Greater Valley	\$75,000	Food Distribution

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YMCA	\$50,000	Youth Recreation
Public Health Advocates	\$75,000	Youth Wellbeing
Reinvent South Stockton Coalition	\$50,000	Youth Education
Mary Magdalene Community Services	\$75,000	Youth Wellbeing
Bread of Life	\$75,000	Food Distribution
Improve Your Tomorrow	\$50,000	Youth Education
El Concilio	\$75,000	Food Distribution
The Amelia Ann Adams Whole Life Center	\$50,000	Community/Youth Wellbeing
Team Elevate 7 on 7	\$50,000	Youth Recreation
African American Chamber of San Joaquin Foundation	\$75,000	Workforce Development
Intelligence Technology Solutions	\$25,000	Workforce Development
Uplift All Foundation	\$200,000	Housing Rehabilitation
Visionary Home Builders of CA	\$50,000	Youth Wellbeing
Trust Me Aviation After School Program	\$25,000	Youth Recreation
Stockton Sister Cities Association	\$25,000	Arts & Culture
Red Rabbit Advocacy	\$50,000	Homeless Outreach
Total	\$2,678,900	

Of the 35 award recommendations, 14 of the organizations are receiving non-COVID related City grant funds for the first time and an estimated 12 programs are providing new services to the community. In a concerted effort to improve the post-COVID outcomes of young people in the community, 20 programs are aimed at youth services and involve a range of activities that include recreation, housing, employment, civic education, college preparation, whole care, and case management. An additional 7 programs involve the distribution of food to address food insecurities and 5 programs advance workforce development and youth employment efforts.

Upon approval of the recommendations, staff will contact the organizations to determine whether the funding will be accepted. Activities that involve capital projects will need to provide evidence of site control within six months and conformity to updated ARPA regulations prior to the execution of contracts.

A small portion of the funding will be used by staff for program delivery and administration, currently targeted at \$21,100.

A list of recommended organizations, including brief descriptions of the projects, can be found in Attachment A.

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FINANCIAL SUMMARY

There is no financial impact to the City's General Fund or any other unrestricted fund as a result of this action. The contracts will be funded with ARPA funds. Sufficient funds are available in the Special Grant Fund, General Admin Division, COVID-19 Program, under Project #EARP209, to support this effort.

Attachment A - Recommendation List & Project Descriptions