



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE: MAY 20, 2025**
FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT **WARDS: ALL**
**SUBJECT: BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING CITY/COUNTY PAYMENT PROGRAM
AWARD FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES
RECYCLING AND RECOVERY (CALRECYCLE) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/25 IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$79,021 - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION**

ISSUE:

Authorize acceptance of award of the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Beverage Container Recycling City/County Payment Program from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) in the amount of \$79,021.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Authorize acceptance of the award of the Fiscal Year 2024/25 Beverage Container Recycling City/County Payment Program from the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) in the amount of \$79,021;
2. With at least five affirmative votes, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenues in the amount of \$79,021, or the amount of the grant award, and appropriate expenditures in the same amount, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, CalRecycle Beverage Container FY2024/25 revenue and expenditure accounts; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents necessary to receive the award and funds, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

DISCUSSION:

On December 6, 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 23935 authorizing the City Manager to execute on behalf of the City all necessary applications, contracts, payment requests, agreements, and amendments in the process of applying for and securing funds under the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery Beverage Container Recycling City/County Payment Program. The authority granted is valid through June 30, 2028. The City has received \$1.47 million in City/County Payment Program funds to date.

The Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) oversees the Beverage Container Recycling City/County Payment Program, which supports beverage container recycling and litter cleanup efforts, and has allocated \$10,500,000 in fiscal year 2024-25 to eligible cities and counties for these initiatives. CalRecycle award calculations are based upon the population

in the city. Funds are used for the following activities:

1. Purchase of curbside recycling containers for residential customers.
2. Beverage container recycling education/outreach to Riverside schools.
3. Development of new promotional and educational materials to inform residents.
4. Expansion of public education efforts within the community and across citywide departments to promote beverage container recycling.

The Public Works Department, Solid Waste Division submitted an application on October 8, 2024 and was notified of award in the amount of \$79,021 in April 2025.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This item contributes to **Strategic Priority 4 - Environmental Stewardship and Goal 4.4** - to implement measures and educate the community to responsibly manage goods, products, and services throughout their lifecycle to achieve waste reduction outcomes.

The project aligns with each of the five Cross-Threads:

1. **Community Trust** – This program fosters informed decision-making and benefits the community by supporting educational initiatives and infrastructure improvements.
2. **Equity** – Funding will be utilized to provide curbside recycling bins and educational resources to schools, ensuring accessibility regardless of background or location.
3. **Fiscal Responsibility** – Riverside remains a responsible steward of public funds, ensuring prudent financial management and adherence to grant guidelines.
4. **Innovation** – By supporting community-based education programs, Riverside continues to adapt to evolving needs and prepare for future demands.
5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** – Investing in recycling infrastructure and education programs strengthens Riverside’s waste management system, supporting long-term environmental goals.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact of this action is an increase in revenues and expenditures of \$79,021. Upon Council approval, an increase in revenue and an appropriation of expenditures in the amount of the grant award will be recorded in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Cal Recycle Beverage Container 24/25 Program revenue account 9354010-334100 and expenditure account 9354010-440210. There is no City match required for the award.

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Attachments: 1. Notice of Award Approval
2. Resolution No. 23935