



## MONETARY SUPPORT TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

FINANCE DEPARTMENT  
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

Budget Engagement Commission  
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## BACKGROUND

February 12, 2025 BEC Meeting - Commissioner Vandenberg requested:

- New budget line item to support local nonprofits that are helping at-risk kids and families in Riverside.
- Alternatively, direct additional funding to Police department budget.
- Consider BEC subcommittee to review and recommend which organizations meet our standards to receive these funds.



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## MISC CITY INITIATIVES

- **American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Funding - \$2.1M**
  - Mental Health Support (\$199,001)
  - Nonprofit Grant Support (\$1,876,233)
  - Other
- **Ongoing:** City-nonprofit partnerships and engagement
- Funding for non-profit organizations that serve City residents total a commitment of funding (one time and ongoing) of approximately **\$3.4 million.**



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## RIVERSIDE NONPROFIT RESILIENCE FUND

- **\$2.8M** Revolving Loan Fund providing flexible, repayable financing for Riverside-based 501(c)(3) nonprofits to:
  - Expand services and reach;
  - Acquire or improve facilities;
  - Bridge funding gaps tied to contracts; and
  - Invest in energy-saving improvements.



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## CITY SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

**\$229,000 Awarded**

- Opportunity for non-profits to apply for City funds and/or in-kind services twice each fiscal year
- Evaluated by various City Departments
- Final approval by City Council

### Evaluation Criteria:

1. Projected attendance;
2. Previous Attendance (if applicable);
3. History of Service to Community;
4. Connection to Specific Sections of the Strategic Plan;
5. Eligible Monetary Request;
6. Projected Cost per Participant;
7. Cultural Program;
8. Council Ward; and
9. Availability of the Requested Resource.



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## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

- City receives annual grant through a formula calculation
- Generally, benefits low-to-moderate income individuals (LMI)
  - LMI family of 4 persons: combined income \$82,000 or less
- 2024 Outcomes:
  - **\$416,645 awarded to non-profit partners**
  - **21 programs/projects funded**



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## STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT



### STRATEGIC PRIORITY 5 - HIGH PERFORMING GOVERNMENT

#### CROSS-CUTTING THREADS



Community Trust



Equity



Innovation



Fiscal  
Responsibility



Sustainability  
and Resiliency



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## RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Budget Engagement Commission:

1. Receive a report on the City's current support for nonprofit agencies; and
2. Consider a recommendation to the City Council regarding additional support for Riverside nonprofit agencies.



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