



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

FROM: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY WARDS: ALL

**SUBJECT: ACCEPT \$18,000 GRANT AWARD FROM CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY
FOR ADULT LITERACY PROGRAMS THROUGH THE RIVERSIDE PUBLIC
LIBRARY – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION**

ISSUES:

Accept grant award from the California State Library in the amount of \$18,000, per capita and match on local funds and appropriate all funds for use by the Riverside Public Library for adult literacy programs.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Accept \$18,000 grant award from the California State Library for adult literacy programs for Fiscal Year 2017/2018;
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute all documents related to the grant;
3. Authorize an increase in revenues in the amount of \$18,000; final payment per capita with an amount contingent on per adult learner served; match contingent on local funds raised and expended for adult literacy; and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to an account assigned by the Finance Department.

BACKGROUND:

The recently signed state budget continues California Library Literacy Services funding at \$4.82 million, a \$2 million increase over the funding level two years ago. Applications for Fiscal Year 2017/2018 were being accepted for a baseline amount of \$18,000 for the Riverside Public Library adult literacy program.

DISCUSSION:

The Riverside Public Library submitted a grant application to the California State Library for a California Library Literacy Services grant for adult literacy programs in the amount of \$18,000.

On August 1, 2017, the California State Library approved the Library's application and awarded \$18,000 (attached); a per capita amount per adult learner served in the previous year; and a match on local funds raised and expended for adult literacy services. Once the attached claim form is signed and reports are submitted to the State Library, final payment will be made to the Riverside Public Library. Grant funds will be used for materials and programs in support of tutors and learners in the program.

Riverside Public Library's Adult Literacy Program trains volunteers to provide independent learning opportunities to adults who want to improve their reading, writing and technology skills through one-on-one and group tutoring. The literacy program changes peoples' lives through enhancement of the skills that lead to self-sufficiency.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total grant funds received from the California State Library for adult literacy programs is estimated to be \$18,000. All required matching funds (\$18,000) for Fiscal Year 2017/2018 are included in the Library's operating budget as part of its regular programming.

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Attachment: Award Letter and Claim Form