



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE: MAY 17, 2022**

FROM: LIBRARY DEPARTMENT **WARDS: ALL**

SUBJECT: GRANT AWARD FROM CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY FOR LUNCH AT THE LIBRARY PROGRAM FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000

ISSUES:

Accept a grant award from the California State Library for the Lunch at the Library Program Fiscal Year 2022/23 in the amount of \$8,000 and appropriate expenditures in the same amount.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Accept a grant award from the California State Library for the Lunch at the Library Program Fiscal Year 2022/23 in the amount of \$8,000;
2. With at least five affirmative votes, and upon receipt of the award, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or his designee, to record an increase in estimated revenues and a supplemental appropriation in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund Lunch at the Library FY 2022/23 Program, in the amount of the grant award; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to make non-substantive changes and execute all grant related documents.

BACKGROUND:

The Riverside Public Library actively pursues grant funding as an alternative funding source and/or to supplement City funds to enable unique program opportunities for the community. Grants offer valuable, unique opportunities for local jurisdictions to compete for funding sources available through, State, Federal, or other agencies to assist in covering the costs of selected projects.

Lunch at the Library is a project of the California State Library, supported with funds from the State of California. Lunch at the Library was developed by the California Library Association and the California Summer Meal Coalition, with support from the David and Lucile Packard Foundation. The California Summer Meal Coalition (CSMC) and California Library Association (CLA) are working with libraries and meal providers across California to offer summer lunch

programs that are designed to provide nourishment and summer enrichment for children and teens. All library meal sites provide free summer lunches and engage families with library programs and services. Some libraries are extending the impact of their lunch programs by providing arts, literacy, and Science, Technology, Engineering and Math programming for participating children and teens.

DISCUSSION:

On March 29, 2022, the Riverside Public Library received notification from the California State Library of the grant award for the Lunch at the Library Program Fiscal Year 2022/23 for the total amount of \$8,000.

This funding will support the Riverside Public Library Lunch at the Library Program for Summer 2022 and engage families with library programs and services. Funds in the amount of \$8,000 will support programming of the STREAM Mobile to five (5) community centers that will be hosting the lunch program. At these five (5) locations the Riverside Public Library will offer a storytime, an activity, and a STREAM project for nine weeks. This will provide the community and children the ability to register for a library card, check out books and return books, and register for the Summer Reading Program. Funds will be used to purchase supplies needed to create weekly activity or STEM project bags that can be distributed at pop up sites. These bags will be used to entertain and express creativity. Funds will also be used to purchase books in both Spanish and English for distribution to the youth participating in the summer lunch program.

Children will be able to visit the Riverside Main Library and SPC. Jesus S. Duran Eastside Library locations and receive a meal from Riverside Unified School District. An activity or a book that will encourage the use of the library, provide entertainment, or express creativity will be provided at these locations.

The grant term is June 2022 through September 30, 2022, and all funds should be spent by September 30, 2022.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This item contributes to ***Strategic Priority No. 1 Arts, Culture & Recreation*** and **Goal 1.1** - Strengthen Riverside's portfolio of arts, culture, recreation, senior and lifelong learning programs and amenities through expanded community partnerships, shared use opportunities and fund development.

The item aligns with each of the five Cross-Cutting Threads as follows:

1. **Community Trust** - This item aligns with Community Trust by This item aligns with Community Trust by minimizing the expenditure of City funds through community partnership and involving the community to encourage or enhance communication.
2. **Equity** - This item aligns with Equity by facilitating equitable distribution of services to every member of the community.
3. **Fiscal Responsibility** - This item aligns with Fiscal Responsibility as the community would benefit by accepting this award with no financial implications to the City other than in-kind contributions of staff time.

4. **Innovation** - This item aligns with Innovation by continuing partnership with the California State Library.
5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** - This item aligns with Sustainability & Resiliency by potentially providing fund development opportunity.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total fiscal impact of this action is \$8,000. The total grant award is \$8,000 and will cover the costs associated with the Lunch at the Library Program. No matching City funds are required. Upon City Council approval, an increase in the amount equal to the grant award will be recorded in the revenue and appropriated in the expenditure accounts, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Lunch at the Library FY 2022/23 Program, revenue account 9346000-334100 and expenditure account 9346000-440210.

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Approved as to form: Phaedra Norton, City Attorney

Attachment: Award Notice