



*City of Arts & Innovation*

# Board of Library Trustees

**TO: BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES** **DATE: JANUARY 23, 2017**

**FROM: RIVERSIDE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT** **WARD: ALL**

**SUBJECT: BOURNS FOUNDATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500 FOR SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, ART & MATHEMATICS – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION**

## **ISSUE:**

Receive an update of a grant the Library received in the amount of \$500 from the Bourns Foundation in support of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Mathematics) books geared toward early learners.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the Board of Library Trustees receive and file this update on grant funds received from the Bourns Foundation for STEAM books for early learners.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The mission of the Riverside Public Library Foundation is to raise funds to ensure the continued excellence of public library services to Riverside residents. Through this effort, the Riverside Public Library Foundation submitted a proposal (attachment 1) to the Bourns Foundation seeking grant funding for the Riverside Public Library for a collection of STEAM books for early learners.

The Bourns Foundation has a long-standing presence in the Inland Empire, leading many engineering advances in education. On October 26, 2016, the Bourns Foundation awarded grant funding to the Riverside Public Library (attachment 2) for STEAM books.

## **DISCUSSION:**

A comprehensive STEAM collection is projected to require \$18,000. A grant of \$500 will allow the Riverside Public Library to establish a basic collection in all branches. Each book purchased with the awarded grant funding will have a bookplate inside which recognizes the generosity of the Bourns Foundation in creating the collection.

On December 20, 2016, the City Council accepted the grant funds and appropriated the same amount to an account assigned by finance for the STEAM books.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The total fiscal impact of the action is an increase in revenue in the amount of \$500. The funds will be used for a collection of STEAM books geared to early learners. There are no matching funds required.

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Attachments:

1. Riverside Public Library Foundation Grant Proposal
2. Award