



City of Arts & Innovation

Board of Library Trustees

TO: BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES **DATE: FEBRUARY 27, 2017**

FROM: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUBJECT: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION'S 2016 CAMPAIGN, EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES – IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,430.66

ISSUE:

Receive an update the Riverside Public Library Foundation's 2016 campaign, *Explore the Possibilities*, funds raised in the amount of \$29,430.66.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Library Trustees receive and file this update on the Riverside Public Library Foundation's 2016 campaign, *Explore the Possibilities*, funds raised in the amount of \$29,430.66.

BACKGROUND:

The Riverside Public Library seeks to enhance health literacy in our community. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services defines Health Literacy as the degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain, process, and understand basic health information and services need to make appropriate health decisions. According to the National Assessment of Adult Literacy, only 12 percent of adults have proficient health literacy. Thus, 9 out of 10 adults lack the skills needed to manage their health and prevent disease.

DISCUSSION:

Funds in the amount of \$29,430.66 were raised by the Riverside Public Library Foundation for the 2016 campaign, *Explore the Possibilities*. The funds raised will assist the Library in offering Health Literacy materials and resources to the community.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact is \$29,430.66. Upon City Council approval, the funds will be used by the Riverside Public Library to purchase Health Literacy materials and resources.

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Attachment: Award Letter