



City of Arts & Innovation

# City Council Memorandum

**TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**      **DATE: FEBRUARY 28, 2017**  
**FROM: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY**      **WARDS: ALL**  
**SUBJECT: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION'S 2016 CAMPAIGN, EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES - IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,430.66 – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION**

## **ISSUE:**

Accept funding in the amount of \$29,430.66 from the Riverside Public Library Foundation's campaign, *Explore the Possibilities*, for the Library to provide Health Literacy materials and resources.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the City Council:

1. Accept the funding assistance from the Riverside Public Library Foundation's 2016 campaign, *Explore the Possibilities*, in the amount of \$29,430.66. for Health Literacy materials and resources; and
2. Authorize an increase in revenues in the amount of \$29,430.66 and appropriate expenditures in the same amount in a project account to be established by the Finance Department.

## **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 total fiscal impact of the action is \$29,430.66. The funds are to be used by the Riverside Public Library to purchase Health Literacy materials and resources.

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Attachment: Award Letter