

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

DATE: JANUARY 22, 2018

FROM: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUBJECT: BOOK TO ACTION PROGRAM PARTICIPATION 2018

ISSUE:

Receive and file this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Library Trustees receive and file this report.

BACKGROUND:

On November 22, 2017, the Riverside Public Library submitted a request to participate in the Book-to-Action program (Program) with the California Center for the Book/California Library Association. The allocated request is for \$2,250 for speaker fees and/or books to be given away to the community. Book to Action is not a grant and is not a reimbursement program. The Program is specific on type of program, speaker(s), topic, and community service activity.

DISCUSSION:

On November 30, 2017, the Library's request to participate in the Program was approved. The Library selected book titles *Moby Duck: The True Story of 28,800 Bath Toys Lost at Sea and the Beachcombers, Oceanographers, Environmentalists and Fools Including the Author Who Went in Search of Them* by Donovan Hohn. The description of the proposed programs are outlined below.

- 1. Community Read and book discussion *Moby Duck: The True Story of 28,800 Bath Toys Lost at Sea and the Beachcombers, Oceanographers, Environmentalists and Fools Including the Author Who Went in Search of Them* by Donovan Hohn
- 2. Author Event—In conversation with Donovan Hohn
- 3. Community Service Activity Displays and a presentation related to "Adopt a Drain" program with Public Works.

The Library will partner with the Public Works Department and the "Adopt a Drain" program they sponsor. Director of Public Works, Kris Martinez concurs with this report. The Program requires completion by mid-June 2018 with a final report form and survey due mid-July 2018.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total allocation of \$2,250 will cover speaker fees and/or books to be given away to the community. Invoices for speaker fees and/or giveaway books will be paid by California Center for the Book and California Center For the Book/California Library Association will pay the expenses on the Library's behalf or provide a check if supplied a pro forma invoice. Other expected in-kind program expenses will be absorbed from the Library's operating budget for marketing \$500, refreshments \$200, staff \$800, and event space \$100.

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