

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: MAY 7, 2019

FROM: LIBRARY DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY PARTICIPATION IN CALIFORNIA STATE

LIBRARY DÍA DE LOS NINOS REIMBURSEMENT OPPORTUNITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000 FUNDED BY LIBRARY SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY

ACT - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

ISSUES:

Authorize the Riverside Public Library's participation in the California State Library Día de Los Niños reimbursement opportunity in the amount of \$1,000 funded by the Library Services and Technology Act and supplemental appropriation in the same amount to fund programs at the Main and Orange Terrace Libraries.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

- Authorize the Riverside Public Library's participation in the California State Library Día de Los Niños reimbursement opportunity in the amount of \$1,000 funded by the Library Services and Technology Act to provide programs at the Main and Orange Terrace Libraries; and
- 2. Authorize an increase in revenue in the amount of \$1,000 to revenue account 5135000000-37420000 and supplemental appropriation in the same amount to Special Department Supplies Account No. 5135000000-42680000.

BACKGROUND:

The Riverside Public Library actively pursues grant funding as an alternative funding source and/or supplement to City funds to enable the purchase of library materials to enhance its collection for use by the public. 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 select projects.

The Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) is the only federal program exclusively for libraries. It is administered by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). State libraries

use the funds to support statewide initiatives and also distribute the funds through subgrants or cooperative agreements to public, school, academic, research, and special libraries.

The California State Library provides grant funds and services to California public libraries through several Statewide Initiatives. The California State Día de Los Niños is one such initiative which provides library jurisdictions the opportunity to participate in and administer Día de Los Niños events around April 30th each year. Día de los Niños is a multicultural experience for young children and their families celebrated in libraries all over California and the US. It focuses on inclusion and promotes culture, language and books for our multicultural/multilingual families.

DISCUSSION:

On April 5, 2019, the Riverside Public Library was approved as a designated participant in the LSTA-funded California State Library Día de Los Niños funding opportunity (Attachment). To participate, staff are required to use funds to provide Día de Los Niños events that fall within the following categories:

- 1. Materials and/or supplies
- 2. Cultural presentations
- 3. Multicultural books
- 4. Promotional Materials

This grant is a reimbursement funding type grant, which is a type of funding program that the grantee (the City) is reimbursed for qualifying expenditures already incurred or to be incurred, as specified in the terms of the grant/project agreement.

The Riverside Public Library plans to provide programs in participation with the California State Library Día de Los Niños at the Main and Orange Terrace Libraries. Funding will be received for this project on a reimbursement basis. To qualify for reimbursement, purchases must be specific to the categories above. All receipts must be submitted to the California State Library by May 17, 2019.

In accordance with the City Grant Administration Policy 01.006.00, the Department Director evaluated the award to determine the benefit to the customers of the City's Library, long and short-term financial implications, feasibility and compatibility with existing City priorities/goals and services, and determined the community and City would benefit with accepting this reimbursement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Riverside Public Library will receive reimbursement of \$1,000 for participating in the California State Library Día de Los Niños program with a net zero impact to the General Fund. Upon approval the total fiscal impact is the increase in revenue account 5135000000-37420000 in the amount of \$1,000 and supplemental appropriation of the same amount in Special Department Supplies Account No. 5135000000-42680000 for FY18/19.

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availability of funds: Edward Enriquez, Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer
Approved by: Lea Deesing, Assistant Library Director
Approved as to form: Gary G. Geuss, City Attorney

Attachments: **Award Letter**