



City of Arts & Innovation

Board of Library Trustees

TO: BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES **DATE: OCTOBER 28, 2019**

FROM: RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUBJECT: CALIFORNIA STATE LIBRARY AWARDS \$30,000 GRANT FOR RIVERSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY FAMILY LITERACY PROGRAMS

ISSUE:

Receive an update on the California State Library's \$30,000 grant award for the Riverside Public Library Family Literacy Programs.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Library Trustees receive an update on the California State Library's \$30,000 grant for the Riverside Public Library Family Literacy Programs.

BACKGROUND:

It is anticipated that the funds will support adult learner-centered strengths-based family literacy services that are grounded in California Library Literacy Services values and supported by strong coordination between the California Library Literacy Services program, library administration, and other library staff, as well as external partnerships with other organizations serving families and children

Program funds are intended to support family literacy services for English-speaking adults with low literacy skills, and their families, not the general adult or youth services populations.

Approximately two-thirds of the literacy programs are receiving family literacy funds in Fiscal Year 2019/2020.

DISCUSSION:

The Riverside Public Library submitted a grant application to the California State Library for a California Library Literacy Services grant for the Family Literacy Program in the base amount of \$30,000.

On August 16, 2019, the California State Library approved the Library's grant application and awarded a base level of \$30,000. Once the attached claim form is signed and reports are

submitted to the State Library, final payment will be made to the Riverside Public Library. Grant funds will be used for startup costs associated with the programming and supporting materials.

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 by accepting this award. The City Council's role and responsibility is to approve appropriation of funds for all grant awards and is subject to approval on October 22, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund associated with this report. The total grant funds received from the California State Library for family literacy programs is \$30,000. All required matching funds for Fiscal Year 2019/2020 are provided through in-kind contributions of staff time and are included in the Library's operating budget as part of its regular programming.

Upon City Council approval, an increase in estimated revenues will be made to the California State Library Literacy Family Literacy revenue account 9340800102-33410000 in the amount of \$30,000 and an appropriation in the same amount to the California State Library Family Literacy Services account 9340800102-44021000.

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