



*City of Arts & Innovation*

# Human Relations Commission Memorandum

TO: HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION DATE: AUGUST 27, 2020

FROM: BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE WARD: ALL

SUBJECT: ALLOCATION OF 2020-2021 \$5,000 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the Human Relations Commission:

1. Allocate \$1,000 in scholarships for RUSD and AUSD students.
  - The top applicant in each school district will receive a \$500 scholarship.
2. Allocate \$1,500 to Community Sponsorships.
  - Publicize sponsorship opportunities to be available to all. Set application deadline for all sponsorships of the year. Allocate a maximum of \$500 to an individual or organization which advocates for equal opportunity, justice, and access in the City to services and opportunities and fosters mutual understanding and respect between people, encourages education and outreach and develops and promotes programs which work to eliminate prejudice and discrimination.
3. Allocate \$2,500 to trainings, discussions and programs which work to eliminate prejudice and discrimination in Riverside.
  - Proposed trainings, discussions, and program topics:
    - Homelessness
    - Housing segregation
    - Persons with disabilities
    - Review of past programs

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:**

The Budget Subcommittee met on 7/27/2020 and on 8/10/2020 to discuss allocation of the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget. After extensive discussion on this year's unique circumstances revolving around COVID-19 and social and civil rights movements, the Subcommittee recommends allocating \$1,000 in scholarships for RUSD and AUSD students, \$1,500 to Community Sponsorships, and \$2,500 to trainings, discussions and programs which work to eliminate prejudice and discrimination in Riverside.

**BACKGROUND:**

On July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020, The Human Relations Commission discussed about the allocation of the 2020-2021 \$5,000 Fiscal Year Budget. After Commission discussion, a Budget Subcommittee was formed to draft a 2020-2021 Fiscal Year budget allocation recommendation.

**Goals and Outcomes Desired**

To utilize the Human Relations Commission 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget to the best of the Human Relations Commission's ability to promote advocacy for equal opportunity, justice, and access in the City to services and opportunities, and foster mutual understanding and respect between people, encourage education and outreach and develop and promote programs which work to eliminate prejudice and discrimination.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The fiscal impact for this recommendation is \$5,000.

Submitted by Xavier Sanchez, Assistant to the Mayor, Office of the Mayor