



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE: JUNE 16, 2026**

FROM: PARKS, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT **WARDS: ALL**

SUBJECT: KAISER PERMANENTE OPERATION SPLASH PROGRAM GRANT OF \$85,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2027/28 TO PROVIDE AQUATIC PROGRAMS

ISSUE:

Accept the award of the Kaiser Permanente Operation Splash Program Grant of \$85,000 for Fiscal Year 2026/27 through Fiscal Year 2027/28 to provide Aquatic Programs.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Accept the Kaiser Permanente Operation Splash Program Grant in the amount of \$85,000;
2. With at least five affirmative votes, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase in revenues in the amount of \$85,000 and appropriate expenditures in the same amount to the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, Operation Splash 26/27 grant revenue and expenditure accounts; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Kaiser Permanente Operation Splash Program Grant agreement including making minor, non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transaction, including, but not limited to agreements, payment requests and so on, which may be necessary to complete grant funded activities.

BACKGROUND:

Kaiser Permanente (Kaiser) strives to make a positive contribution to communities through the Community Benefit Grants Program. The City of Riverside has received funding for the Operation Splash Program through the Community Benefits Grant Program for over 15 years. Through the generous grant, the Parks, Recreation and Community Service Department (PRCSD) has provided 1,200 subsidized swim lessons; 1,000 recreation swim passes; 200 Silver Swimmer passes; and 75 subsidized junior lifeguard classes for low-income community

members during the last two-year grant cycle that encompassed Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025. Additionally, PRCSD has provided over 6,400 participants with materials and demonstrations that encourage a healthy beverage lifestyle through the Rethink Your Drink component of Operation Splash.

DISCUSSION:

In December 2025, PRCSD received an acknowledgement to apply for 2026-2028 Operation Splash Funding. The base amount PRCSD can receive is \$85,000, to be utilized for a two-year grant period of April 1, 2026, through March 31, 2028. Funding, which has been awarded, will be used to continue the Operation Splash Program and Rethink Your Drink Campaign. Funding will enable PRCSD to provide an estimated 1,200 subsidized swim lessons, 1,000 recreation swim passes, 200 Silver Swimmer passes, and 75 subsidized junior lifeguard classes. The PRCSD, partnered with the Riverside County Department of Health, will be able to outreach to 6,400 participants with materials and demonstrations, educating and encouraging healthy beverage selection.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total fiscal impact of this grant award is an increase in revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$85,000. Upon Council approval, an increase in revenue and expenditures will be recorded in the Grants & Restricted Programs Fund, Operation Splash 26/27, revenue and expenditure accounts as listed in the table below:

Fund	Program	Account	Amount
Grants & Restricted Programs	<i>Revenue</i>		
	Operation Splash 26/27	9935200-339000	\$85,000
	<i>Expenditures</i>		
	Operation Splash 26/27 – Salaries-P/T	9935200-411110	\$79,000
	Operation Splash 26/27 – Services	9935200-421040	\$3,500
	Operation Splash 26/27 – Supplies	9935200-426500	\$2,500
	Total Expenditures		

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 Approved by: Kris Martinez, Assistant City Manager
 Approved as to form: Rebecca McKee-Reimbold, Interim City Attorney

Attachment: Grant Agreement