

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 3.70

(ID # 17710)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, December 14, 2021

FROM : BOS DISTRICT 3:


SUBJECT: BOS DISTRICT 3: Third District Use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - Community Improvement Designation (CID) Funds to be allocated to Community Outreach Ministry, Fair Housing Council of Riverside County, Community Mission of Hope, Assistance League of Temecula Valley, Catholic Charities San Bernardino & Riverside Counties and Voices for Children. [\$32,000 - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) 100%] (4/5 vote required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

Approve the use of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - Community Improvement Designation funds for:

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| 1. Community Outreach Ministry
24630 Washington Avenue Suite 202, Murrieta, CA 92562 | \$1,000 |
| 2. Fair Housing Council of Riverside County
PO Box 1068, Riverside, CA 92502 | \$1,000 |
| 3. Community Mission of Hope
41760 Rider Way, Temecula, CA 92590 | \$5,000 |
| 4. Assistance League of Temecula Valley
28720 Via Montezuma, Temecula, CA 92590 | \$5,000 |
| 5. Catholic Charities San Bernardino & Riverside Counties
1450 North D Street, San Bernardino, CA 92405 | \$10,000 |
| 6. Voices for Children
PO Box 7219, Riverside, CA 92513 | \$10,000 |

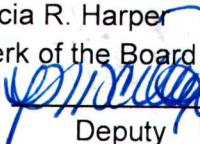
ACTION:


Supervisor Chuck Washington, Supervisor 3rd District 12/10/2021

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: December 14, 2021
xc: Third District, COB

Kecia R. Harper
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 0	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 0	\$ 32,000.00	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: General Fund 100%			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 2021/2022	

BACKGROUND:

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, also called the COVID-19 Stimulus Package or the American Rescue Plan (ARP), is a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill passed by the 117th United States Congress and signed into law by President Joe Biden on March 11, 2021, to accelerate the United States' recovery from the economic and health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The American Rescue Plan includes \$350 billion for eligible state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments. These funds known as the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provide a substantial infusion of resources to help turn the tide of the pandemic, address its economic fallout, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery.

Congress provided State, local, and Tribal governments with significant resources to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency and its economic impacts through four categories of eligible uses.:

- a) To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality.
- b) To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers;
- c) For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency; and
- d) To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

Local non-profit organizations play a critical role in responding to the public health emergency and its negative economic impacts, by supporting the public health efforts, delivering essential social services, and supporting individuals and families in stabilizing economically. As such, it is essential that these organizations receive additional financial support to increase services and capacity during the pandemic. It is also important that this funding be distributed geographically throughout the County so that impacted groups, households, and individuals have access to this financial support.

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On August 24, 2021, the Board of Supervisors authorized the allocation of \$1,000,000 in Federal funding under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) to the Community Improvement Designation Fund (CID) program to support COVID-19 response efforts and economic recovery within Riverside County. The Board further authorized that the allocation is distributed to each supervisorial district in the amount of \$200,000, to be awarded to local eligible non-profits through the established ARPA CID application and award process. The Community Improvement Designation Fund, known as the CID program, was established by the Board of Supervisors under the provisions of Government Code §26227 which authorizes the Board of Supervisors to appropriate and expend general fund monies to support programs that serve a public purpose by meeting the social needs of the population of the county. The CID program, as an existing funding vehicle, provides a mechanism to quickly deploy funding to non-profits on the front lines of the pandemic response efforts.

To ensure compliance with the ARPA funding interim guidelines, County staff created an ARPA - CID supplemental application for eligible non-profit organizations. The application provides adequate detail pertaining to the funding program objectives, guidelines, eligibility criteria and compliance requirements for audit purposes. Furthermore, staff prepared an ARPA non-profits administration process which provides details related to the applications eligibility determination and processing based on eligibility recommendations to be provided by the Executive Office to Board staff. As part of the process, Board staff will be submitting recommendations for awards monthly, as applications are submitted, and eligibility is determined.

On October 13, 2021, County staff held an ARPA non-profits funding workshop to walk eligible organizations through the ARPA CID application(s) process, funding objectives and eligibility criteria according to the U.S. Treasury interim funding guidelines.

The following organizations have been recommended for ARPA funding by the Third District and were determined to be eligible by the Executive Office:

1. Community Outreach Ministry - \$1,000 funding will be used for the 21st Annual Angel Tree Christmas Party, an event where Community Outreach Ministry will adopt roughly 200 children of incarcerated parents who would otherwise not have food and warm clothes at the holiday. The main objective is to break the cycle of intergenerational incarceration and delinquency.
2. Fair Housing Council of Riverside County - \$1,000 funding will be utilized for the 2022 Housing Conference where community nonprofits, housing providers and community leaders come together to discuss the future of housing in the Inland Empire to ensure that all individuals have an equal opportunity to enjoy their housing while living without housing discrimination.
3. Community Mission of Hope - \$5,000 will assist in the effort to provide food to homeless, low-income families and elderly with the purchase of a cooler for storage of perishable foods. Community Mission of Hope is a food distribution and housing resource center dedicated to ending hunger and homelessness in Southwest Riverside County by serving our most vulnerable citizens.

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4. Assistance League of Temecula Valley - \$5,000 funding will be used to support the Operation School Bell Program, which provides new school clothes and shoes for students K-12. Many low-income families have suffered additional economic hardships due to the Covid-19 pandemic and this will help relieve the burden of this expense.
5. Catholic Charities San Bernardino & Riverside Counties - \$10,000 funds will be used to assist in providing a range of critical social services such as rental assistance, utility assistance and transportation to low-income families who are in need.
6. Voices for Children - \$10,000 funds will be used for Court Appointed Special Advocates who provide advocacy for foster care children living in the Third District. The Covid-19 pandemic has exacerbated children's experiences creating additional anxiety, depression and isolation for children who already have experienced extreme tragedy. Children in foster care desperately need someone in their lives to offer guidance and advocacy.