



City Council Report

Date: April 6, 2015
To: City Council
Through: Christopher J. Brady, City Manager
From: Scott J. Butler, Assistant to the City Manager, Government Relations
Subject: Resolution of Support for a grant application from East Valley Adult Resources to Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation for \$15,000 to support the Meals While you Heal program, and approving the City Manager to accept and administer subsequent awarded funds as a pass-through grant.

Strategic Initiative:



Purpose and Recommendation

This request is seeking a City Council resolution of support for East Valley Adult Resources' application to Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation for Proposition 202 funding. If awarded, the grant will provide \$15,000 to support their "Meals While You Heal" program and provide 171 older adults with approximately 5,200 meals. The Council Resolution supports this effort to secure the grant and commits the City to receive it on behalf of the non-profit and pass it through in its entirety to them if awarded. Staff recommendation is for Council to adopt this resolution.

Background

East Valley Adult Resources (EVAR) provides a comprehensive approach to helping people age successfully. From lifelong learning programs at their Active Adult Centers to helping homebound older adults remain independent in their own homes, EVAR is the focal point for aging services in the greater Mesa community.

Discussion

A resolution of support for this grant request will complete the necessary documentation for East Valley Adult Resources to file their application by May 1, 2015 and be considered for funding from Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation. Mesa's participation in Proposition 202 Indian Gaming Grants has returned over \$9 million to our community since its passage in 2002 from surrounding tribal governments.

Alternatives

The only alternative to adopting this resolution would be to not adopt. Such an action would deny Mesa sponsorship for this request and require East Valley Adult Resources to seek an alternate local government for access to this funding source.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact on the City of Mesa should this grant eventually be awarded for East Valley Adult Resources will be negligible except overhead expenses in accounting to accept and reissue the grant check. The City does not administer the grant and signs an MOU or IGA with the tribe to limit our liability to only the pass-through transaction.