



City Council Report

Date: September 23, 2024
To: City Council
Through: Scott J. Butler, Assistant City Manager
From: Sharon Skinner, Grants Coordinator
Subject: Resolution approving and authorizing the City Manager to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC) and administer awarded funds as pass-through grants to designated awardees.
Citywide

Purpose and Recommendation

The requested resolution will authorize the City Manager to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement on behalf of the City of Mesa with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC) to receive and disburse grants totaling \$995,000 in Proposition 202 Funds. **(Citywide)**

The specific grant funding amounts and recipients are:

\$300,000.00 to the **City of Mesa** for Fire and Medical Department, Community Health Immunization Program (\$100,000); Police Department, Mindful Badge Resilience Training (\$47,458); Downtown Transformation Department, Downtown Signage and Patio Project (\$50,000); Education and Workforce Development, Experience Corps (\$55,921) and Arts and Cultural Department, Mesa Arts Center, Art & Play Project (\$46,621).

\$200,000.00 to **A New Leaf** for Emergency homeless and domestic violence shelter service programs.

\$ 50,000.00 to **U.S. Vets – Phoenix** to support mental health services for homeless and at-risk veterans. Funding would be used to expand services in Maricopa County.

\$ 100,000.00 to the **Child Crisis Center** for Educating Caregivers to Keep Children

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Safe program. Programming will focus on family Education and the FANS distribution center.

\$ 50,000.00 to **Alice Cooper's Solid Rock Teen Center** for the purchase of musical instruments to support music lessons and mental health improvement for teens.

\$ 20,000.00 to **Visit Mesa** for the "Live life limitless" content campaign.

\$175,000.00 to the **United Food Bank** for the Emergency Food Assistance Produce Box Program.

\$100,000.00 to the **Paz De Cristo** for relief services to empower individuals that include: food assistance, clothing, and empowerment services.

Background

Proposition 202, passed with the 2002 Gaming Compact in Arizona, directs participating Tribal Governments to share 12% of their gaming revenues with surrounding local governments. Nonprofit organizations are only eligible to compete with a local government agreeing to serve as a pass-through agent.

Discussion

The SRP-MIC has elected to distribute a total of \$995,000 to the city of Mesa and local non-profit organizations. SRP-MIC does not require a resolution of support for applicants to apply for funding. To disburse this funding to entities other than the City, the City must first enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with SRP-MIC for the receipt and distribution of funds.

Alternatives

The only alternative to authorizing this Intergovernmental agreement is to deny it. Such action would negate the grants to the entities, including \$300,000 in funding for the City of Mesa Fire and Medical Department, Environmental and Sustainability, City Manager's Department (Special Projects and Mesa K-Ready), and Mesa Arts Center and return the funds to the SRP-MIC for redistribution to other local governments of their choosing.

Fiscal Impact

\$300,000 will support City of Mesa Departments in providing programmatic services.

Overall operations and maintenance expenses will not increase due to this grant.

The other pass-through grants will have a negligible fiscal impact in the form of administration costs to accept payment and cut checks for fund disbursement.

Coordinated With

Staff has coordinated with the Mesa Fire and Medical Department, Police Department, Downtown Transformation, Education and Workforce, and Mesa Arts Center staff, who helped to prepare the funding request.

SRPMIC invited the City of Mesa to apply.

SRPMIC does not accept unsolicited grant requests.