

City Council Report

Date: September 20, 2021

To: City Council

Through: Scott J. Butler, Deputy City Manager, Government Relations

- 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 (SRP-MIC) 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 (SRP-MIC) to receive and disburse grants totaling \$1,420,000.00 in Proposition 202 Funds. (Citywide)

Under this Agreement, \$300,000 is awarded to City of Mesa programs. The specific grant funding amounts and recipients are:

- \$ 300,000.00 to the City of Mesa for the Fire and Medical, Immunization Program (\$100,000) Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities, North Center Sports Fields (\$90,000); City Manager Special Projects Downtown Improvement Signage (\$35,000) and Mesa K-Ready, Kindergarten Readiness Program (\$35,000); and Mesa Arts Center, Arts in Service (\$40,000).
- \$200,000.00 to **A New Leaf** for shelter and support services.
- \$ 50,000.00 to **U.S. Vets** for mental health services for homeless and at-risk veterans.
- \$ 75,000.00 to the **Child Crisis Arizona** for prevention services.
- \$ 75,000.00 to **Bogden House** for the CMC Dignity Care Program.
- \$ 20,000.00 to **Visit Mesa** for the "Play all Day & Stay" fall and winter campaign highlighting outdoor recreation.
- \$125,000.00 to the **United Food Bank** for Mobile Pantry Emergency & Supplemental Food Assistance Program.
- \$525,000.00 to the **Mesa Public Schools** for mental health wellness and social services support programming for students.
- \$ 50,000.00 to the **Alice Cooper's Solid Rock Teen Center** for the "Art Heals Program."

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 \$1,420,000.00 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, Parks, Recreation & Facilities, 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

Mesa Fire and Medical Department Immunization Program: (\$100,000). Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities North Center Sports Field (\$90,000). Special Projects Downtown Business Improvement Signage: (\$35,000). Mesa Arts Center Arts in Service: (\$40,000). Mesa K-Ready Kindergarten Readiness: (\$35,000).

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, Housing, Parks, Recreation & Facilities, PIO, Mesa Arts Center, Special Projects, and Mesa K-Ready, staff, who helped to prepare the funding request.

SRP-MIC invited the City of Mesa to apply.

SRP-MIC does not accept unsolicited grant requests.