



CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

July 1, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Anita D. Gutierrez, City Manager

Submitted By: Maura Montellano/Beatrice Marrufo, Executive Assistant

**SUBJECT: FINDING OF PUBLIC BENEFIT TO THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE:
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURE(S) AND RECAP OF EXPENDED
FUNDS**

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the expenditure(s) recommended and make the finding that the community at large will receive a public benefit from the expenditure of funds for the recommended item(s); and
- 2) Receive and file the recap of final amounts for previously approved projects/activities.

CURRENT REQUEST(S):

- A. Amount to be determined to Celebrating a Vision in support of Summer Helicopter Flight Program: Requested Amount: \$1,000
- B. Amount to be determined to Community Partners 4 Innovation in support of Time for Sound Healing: Requested Amount: \$2,5000
- C. Amount to be determined to Pomona Public Library Foundation in support of 2024 Mayor's Gala: Requested Amount: \$4,000
- D. Amount to be determined to Conceptual Art Therapy in support of 2nd Annual Summer Youth Art Camp: Requested Amount: \$6,000
- E. Amount to be determined to Partnership for a Positive Pomona (P3)/ National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence of East San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys, Inc., in support of Pomona Youth Fest (PYF) Amount \$1,000

SB1439/GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLICABILITY:

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FISCAL IMPACT: All approved expenditures are paid from the requesting Councilmembers' line item accounts as approved in the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget.

PREVIOUS RELATED ACTION: At the regular City Council meeting of February 6, 2006, the Council approved an Expense and Reimbursement Policy in compliance with the requirements of Assembly Bill 1234. At the regular City Council meeting of November 16, 2015, the Council adopted Finding of Public Benefit "Best Practices" Guidelines and the Finding of Public Benefit Request Form.

DISCUSSION: The Mayor and/or individual Councilmembers, as listed below, have requested that the Council approve funding for each organization, activity, and/or event as specified below and request that the Council approve the funding amount and make the findings that these expenditures will provide a public benefit to the community at large. Supporting forms for the newly-requested findings are attached with this Report (Attachment).

Current Request(s):

Organization: **Celebrating a Vision**

Project/Activity: Helicopter Flight Program

Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 7/1/24

Finding Recommended: This amazing experience allows youth to learn about helicopters and airplanes, the kids actually will fly with the pilots. The event inspires the youth to dream big, and families to explore other places and things.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$1,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: TBD

Organization: **Community Partners 4 Innovation**

Project/Activity: Time for Sound Healing

Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 7/1/24

Finding Recommended: This event offers residents of Pomona a free holistic alternative for mental health in ways of meditation, breath work, and native indigenous teachings.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$2,500

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: TBD

Organization: **Pomona Public Library Foundation**

Project/Activity: 2024 Mayor's Gala

Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 7/1/24

Finding Recommended: The funds will be used for a sponsorship, purchasing a table at the Gala. Beyond the meal cost, donation will go to improving the Pomona Public Library through the Pomona Public Library Foundation Projects.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Mayor Tim Sandoval

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$4,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: TBD

Total Funding Amount: TBD

Organization: **Conceptual Art Therapy**

Project/Activity: 2nd Annual Summer Youth Art Camp

Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 7/1/24

Finding Recommended: Art therapy for youth enhances emotional expression, reduces stress, and boosts self-esteem. It provides a safe space to process trauma, fostering resiliency, improves communication and interpersonal skills, promoting cooperation and empathy. The 3-week camp will include workshops on creative writing, film-making, and photography with artist-mentors, with a 4-day youth artist retreat at Big Bear Lake. The donation will cover the lodging.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$6,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: TBD

Organization: **Partnership for a Positive Pomona (P3)**

Project/Activity: Pomona Youth Fest (PYF)

Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 7/1/24

Finding Recommended: This event benefits youth in Pomona by offering them an opportunity to experience a music festival where they can express and enjoy themselves in a safe environment, thereby learning to have fun without substances.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$1,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: TBD

Findings Eligible for Contributions

The following summarizes Council contributions towards findings within the 30 day period following Council approval in accordance with the Council adopted policy. These items are eligible for additional contributions.

Organization: **Fox Theater Pomona & Tradición Company**

Project/Activity: 2nd Annual DanzArte Dance Competition

Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 6/17/24

Finding Recommended: Community members will participate in this cultural event, which will provide a space adequate with recognition's for dancers as well as a professional venue, which uplifts our community arts.

Deadline for Contributions: 7/17/24

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$3,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D3 - \$500

Total Funding Amount: \$500

Organization: **Valley Indoor Swap Meet**

Project/Activity: Free Back Pack Giveaway

Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 6/3/24

Finding Recommended: Donation will be used to purchase back packs and other school supplies for the event, benefiting the families and children in our community.

Deadline for Contributions: 7/3/24

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$500

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D3 - \$150

Total Funding Amount: \$150

Organization: **Pomona Public Library Foundation**

Project/Activity: 2024 Mayor's Gala

Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 6/3/24

Finding Recommended: The funds will be used for a sponsorship, purchasing a table at the Gala. Beyond the meal cost, donation will go to improving the Pomona Public Library through the Pomona Public Library Foundation Projects.

Deadline for Contributions: 7/3/24

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Mayor Tim Sandoval

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$4,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D3 - \$575

Total Funding Amount: \$575

Organization: **Victory Outreach**

Project/Activity: Community Concert

Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 6/3/24

Finding Recommended: This will be a family event with a positive message for young people to be empowered for positive change. Funding will go toward sound equipment rental, performer honorarium.

Deadline for Contributions: 7/3/24

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$3,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D2 - \$233, D3 - \$250

Total Funding Amount: \$483

Recap of Expended Funds

The following summarizes additional Council contributions toward findings that expired and are past the 30 day period following Council approval, in accordance with the Council adopted policy:

Organization: **Fist of Gold Youth Center Inc.**

Project/Activity: Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 5/20/24

Finding Recommended: Fist of Gold Youth Center is enthusiastic about the opportunity to engage with the Pomona community at the annual youth boxing fundraiser. Fist of Gold also provides mentoring, networking, and guidance on leading a life of active wellness for the youth of Pomona. This event serves as a reminder to the community that Fist of Gold's doors are open to youth of Pomona.

Deadline for Contributions: 6/20/24

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Mayor Tim Sandoval

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$2,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D2 - \$200, D3 - \$200

Total Funding Amount: \$400

Organization: **Tradición Dance Company**

Project/Activity: Approved by CLC: N/A

Finding Date: 5/20/24

Finding Recommended: This donation will serve as a benefit to our youth and program participants to be able to showcase the culture through Folklorico dance in full costumes and in a professional production setting at the Fox Theater in Pomona. Funds will be used to purchase props, costumes, cover rentals and other needs for the show.

Deadline for Contributions: 6/20/24

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$5,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D2 - \$500, D3 - \$500

Total Funding Amount: \$1,000

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ATTACHMENT:

- Celebrating a Vision
- Community Partners 4 Innovation
- Pomona Public Library Foundation
- Conceptual Art Therapy
- Partnership for a Positive Pomona (P3)

