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# CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

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June 3, 2024

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Anita D. Gutierrez, City Manager

Submitted By: Mark Gluba, Assistant City Manager

**SUBJECT: ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF POMONA TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION THROUGH THE BOARD OF STATE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROPOSITION 47 GRANT**

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

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

1) Adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-90-A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE SUBMITAL OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDS THROUGH THE BOARD OF STATE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROPOSITION 47 GRANT**

2) Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute all documents related with this action, with approval of the City Attorney as to form.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

Adoption of Resolution No. 2024-90 (Attachment No. 1) will allow staff to apply for grant funds between \$2–\$8 Million aimed at addressing low-level drug and property crimes in the City of Pomona. This funding will help support the need for mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, and diversion programs for individuals entangled in the criminal justice system. This action is only an authorization to apply for funding. Final grant application amount will be determined by the Office of Violence Prevention (OVP) in consultation with participating community partners. If the City is awarded this grant, approval of acceptance and appropriation of funding will be brought into the FY 2024-25 Operating Budget through Council resolution.

**SB1439/GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLICABILITY:**

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact with this action.

**DISCUSSION:**

The City of Pomona grapples with a multifaceted social challenge characterized by persistently high rates of both low-level and violent crime, deeply rooted disparities, and the urgent necessity for intervention measures. The Proposition 47 grant program aligns with our city's commitment to supporting initiatives that mitigate the cycle of disadvantage, reduce recidivism, and address the underlying issues of substance abuse and mental health. The OVP stands as a testament to Pomona's steadfast response to its community needs. The OVP embodies a collaborative framework that integrates evidence-based strategies, community engagement, and partnership with key stakeholders, including the Pomona Police Department and various community-based organizations.

OVP's community partners, carefully selected for their expertise and track record in addressing critical social issues, play pivotal roles in the comprehensive approach of our program. Their services and support encompass a wide range of initiatives, including but not limited to mental health counseling, job training, social skills development, civil legal services, housing assistance, intensive case management, and substance abuse rehabilitation, in alignment with the grant program's objectives. Their invaluable contributions not only enhance the effectiveness of our violence prevention efforts but also reflect the strong spirit of collaboration and shared responsibility within our community.

The OVP will work closely with God's Pantry, a nonprofit organization dedicated to meeting the needs of individuals affected by the justice system in Los Angeles County and surrounding areas. The organization, now comprising 29 employees, serves the community through various avenues, including over 12 monthly grocery distributions. As God's Pantry has grown, it has broadened its scope to offer employment assistance, legal services, and housing opportunities, with a particular focus on serving traditional-aged youth. In addition to the aforementioned services, God's Pantry's existing services also encompass crucial components such as paid work experience, criminal history expungement, and providing comprehensive social skills development programs.

It is our firm belief that through targeted intervention efforts, informed by research, community engagement, and strategic partnerships, Pomona can effectuate meaningful change in the lives of

its residents.

**COUNCIL PRIORITIES & GOALS:**

This item supports the 2021-2022 City Council Priority 1: Fiscal and Operational Responsibility  
- Goal C: Obtain additional grant funding and other revenues to help achieve City goals and  
Priority 4: Safe and Clean Community.

Prepared by:

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**ATTACHMENT:**

Attachment No. 1 – Resolution No. 2024-90



