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# CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

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September 20, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: James Makshanoff, City Manager

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

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## **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 Mt. Sinai Foundation in support of COVID 19 vaccination clinic – Requested Amount: \$2,500
- B) Amount to be determined to Victory Outreach in support of Back to School Giveaway – Requested Amount: \$1,000
- C) Amount to be determined to Pomona Pride Center, Inc. in support of Pomona Pride Center Inaugural Gala – Requested Amount: \$10,000
- D) Amount to be determined to dA Center for the Arts in support of 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Con Safos Car Show – Requested Amount: TBD
- E) Amount to be determined to Garey High School in support of Literacy Program – Requested Amount: \$1,000
- F) Amount to be determined to Project Hope in support of Hope Fest Pomona – Requested Amount: \$3,000
- G) Amount to be determined to Oscar Grijalva to support his exposure to Dodger Scouts – Requested Amount: \$2,500
- H) Amount to be determined to Self Care Lab, Boxing Club in support of healing of physical and mental issues for Pomona residents – Requested Amount: TBD
- I) Amount to be determined to TBD in support of holiday lights on West Columbia Avenue– Requested Amount: \$500
- J) Amount to be determined to Rumsen Ama Turataj Ohlone to bring Native American cultural awareness to the City of Pomona – Requested Amount: \$1,000

**FISCAL IMPACT:** All approved expenditures are paid from the requesting Councilmembers' line item accounts as approved in the Fiscal Year 2020-21 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 (Attachments 1-10).

***Current Request(s)***

Organization: **Mt. Sinai Foundation**

Project/Activity: COVID 19 vaccination clinic

Finding Recommended: Increase the vaccination rate within the city, especially in light of the increase challenges with the delta variant.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Victor Preciado

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$2,500

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: TBD

Organization: **Victory Outreach Pomona**

Project/Activity: Back to School Giveaway

Finding Recommended: Back-to-school Giveaway for low income Pomona families

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$1,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: TBD

Organization: **Pomona Pride Center, Inc.**

Project/Activity: Pomona Pride Center Inaugural Gayla

Finding Recommended: To help education the community on and provide support and resources to the LGBTQIA+ community.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$10,000

Organization: **dA Center for the Arts**

Project/Activity: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Con Safos Car Show

Finding Recommended: The Con Safos Car Show helps build community. All generations can relate to cars and the era, the music and culture they represent.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Organization Requested Funding Amount: TBD

**Organization: Garey High School**

Project/Activity: Literacy Program

Finding Recommended: Participating students will be encouraged to be more involved in our community events, given the ethnic aspects of the books, to encourage other students to read more and to be better citizens.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Victor Preciado

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$1,000

**Organization: Pomona Hope**

Project/Activity: Hope Fest Pomona

Finding Recommended: A day of community, resources, vaccinations and a safe place for community members to come out and enjoy the event.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Victor Preciado

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$3,000

**Organization: Oscar Grijalva**

Project/Activity: Dodger Scout opportunity

Finding Recommended: The primary benefit to the City of Pomona would be the exposure this young athlete will bring to the City as he has the opportunity to be scouted by the Dodgers organization. He has been playing baseball since he was a small child, attends Pomona schools, and is an outstanding athlete.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Victor Preciado

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$2,500

**Organization: Self Care Lab, Boxing Club**

Project/Activity: In support of healing of physical and mental issues for Pomona residents

Finding Recommended:

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Elizabeth Ontiveros-Cole

Organization Requested Funding Amount: TBD

**Organization: TBD**

Project/Activity: Holiday Lights on West Columbia Avenue

Finding Recommended: Gives the City a positive look and brings residents/ community together.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember John Nolte

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$500

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: TBD

**Organization: Rumsen Ama Turataj Ohlone**

Project/Activity: Native American Cultural Awareness

Finding Recommended: To bring Native American cultural awareness to the City.

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember John Nolte

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 still eligible for additional contributions.

NA

### ***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: **Historical Society of Pomona**

Project/Activity: Phillips Mansion alarm system

Finding Recommended: Provide an updated security system for a historic site.

Finding Date: 8/2/21

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Steve Lustro

Deadline for Contributions: 9/2/2021

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$3,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D5 - \$750, D3 - \$500

Total Funding amount: \$1,250

Organization: **BMT Community Development Center**

Project/Activity: Project Perfect Pair

Finding Recommended: Back-to-school shoe drive for Pomona students

Finding Date: 8/2/21

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Nora Garcia

Deadline for Contributions: 9/2/2021

Organization Requested Funding Amount: TBD

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D5 - \$200, D3 - \$1,000

Total Funding amount: \$1,200

Organization: **Vital Pomona**

Project/Activity: Produce a music video advertisement of Pomona businesses and non-profit organizations.

Finding Recommended: Provide information about support resources that are available to Pomonans, and encourage patronage to businesses within our City.

Finding Date: 7/19/21

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Victor Preciado

Deadline for Contributions: 8/19/2021

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$5,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D2 - \$500, D7 - \$500, D3 - \$250

Total Funding amount: \$1,250

Organization: **Pearls of Service, Inc.**

Project/Activity: Virtual Annual Mixer

Finding Recommended: Community charities to include Hygiene Care Packages and workshops for the underserved communities in areas of Healthy Lifestyle and Financial Literacy.

Finding Date: 7/19/21

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Mayor Sandoval

Deadline for Contributions: 8/19/2021

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$1,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D7 - \$250

Total Funding amount: \$250

Organization: **African American Advisory Alliance**

Project/Activity: Opening the Alliance Community Cultural Center

Finding Recommended: Funds will go towards furnishing the space with communal seating, space signage and platforms to share available resources to the community.

Finding Date: 7/19/21

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Mayor Sandoval

Deadline for Contributions: 8/19/2021

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$2,500

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D2 -\$500, D3 - \$500, D7 - \$1,500

Total Funding amount: \$2,500

Organization: **Unity Church**

Project/Activity: Tree maintenance and preservation

Finding Recommended: Funds will go towards preservation and maintenance of historical trees at Unity Church, which is nearly 100 years old.

Finding Date: 7/19/21

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole

Deadline for Contributions: 8/19/2021

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$1,100

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D4 - \$1,100

Total Funding amount: \$1,100

Organization: **LA Care Health Plan**

Project/Activity: Backpack giveaway

Finding Recommended: Funds will go toward the purchase of 3,000 backpacks with school supplies that will be distributed to Pomona families

Finding Date: 7/19/21

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Robert Torres

Deadline for Contributions: 8/19/2021

Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$1,000

Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: TBD

Total Funding amount:

Organization: **Total Restoration Ministries**

Project/Activity: Back 2 School Community Outreach - Backpack giveaway

Finding Recommended: Funds will go toward the purchase backpacks with school supplies that will be distributed to Pomona families.

Finding Date: 7/19/21

Councilmember Recommending Funding: Councilmember Ontiveros-Cole  
Deadline for Contributions: 8/19/2021  
Organization Requested Funding Amount: \$500  
Councilmember Requested Funding Amount: D4- \$250 D7- \$250  
Total Funding amount: \$500

**COUNCIL PRIORITIES & GOALS:** This item supports the 2020 City Council Priorities & Goals

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

Attachment No. 1 – Mt. Sinai Foundation  
Attachment No. 2 – Victory Outreach  
Attachment No. 3 – Pomona Pride Center  
Attachment No. 4 – dA Center for the Arts  
Attachment No. 5 – Garey High School  
Attachment No. 6 – Project Hope  
Attachment No. 7 – Oscar Grijalva  
Attachment No. 8 – Self Care Boxing Club  
Attachment No. 9 – Holiday Lights on West Columbia Avenue  
Attachment No. 10 – Rumsen Ama Turataj Ohlone

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