



CITY OF POMONA COUNCIL REPORT

June 15, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Anita D. Scott, City Manager

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SUBJECT: ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY 2025-26 OPERATING BUDGET BY ACCEPTING A DONATION OF \$750, INCREASING REVENUE ESTIMATES AND APPROPRIATING DONATED FUNDS TO THE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR THE HEROES OF POMONA SPEECH CONTEST

RECOMMENDATION:

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

1) Adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-62 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POMONA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FY 2025-26 OPERATING BUDGET BY ACCEPTING A DONATION OF \$750, INCREASING REVENUE ESTIMATES TO FD101 GENERAL FUND-CC4112 AFTER SCHOOL-45000 DONATIONS AND APPROPRIATING \$750 OF DONATED FUNDS TO FD101 GENERAL FUND-CC4112 AFTER SCHOOL-52000 ACTIVITY PROGRAM SUPPLIES FOR THE HEROES OF POMONA PROGRAM

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Heroes of Pomona Speech Contest offers youth participants ages 7-17 the opportunity to compete in a citywide speech contest by delivering a 3–5-minute commemorative speech about a Pomona individual who has made a positive and meaningful impact in their lives and/or within the community. Participants that placed 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in their respective categories received scholarship cash awards to support their future educational goals. As public funds cannot be used for cash prizes; City Staff would like to accept a cash donation of \$750 and increase revenue estimates and appropriate these funds to be used for participant prizes.

SB1439/GOVERNMENT CODE §84308 APPLICABILITY:

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-62 (Attachment No. 1) will amend the FY 2025-26 Operating budget by increasing revenue estimates, as funds were donated by Arteco Management to the After School Program for the Heroes of Pomona Speech Contest prizes. Funds were received to FD101 General Fund//CC4112 After School – 45000 Other Revenue-Donations and a corresponding allocation of \$750 will be made to FD101 General Fund – CC4112 After School- 52000 Activity Program Supplies.

Project No.	Funds	Account No.	Amount
After School	101 General Fund	CC4112 Afterschool - 45000 Other Revenue- Donations	\$750
After School	101 General Fund	CC4112 Afterschool - 52000 Controllable Expenses- Activity Program Supplies	\$750
Total			\$0.00

DISCUSSION:

In 2018, the City of Pomona held its first ever Heroes of Pomona Speech Contest through the support of Tri-City Mental Health Services’ (MHS) Community Wellbeing Grant Program. The project consisted of team building, confidence-boosting, and speech-writing activities that included storytelling, mini-monologues, and topic discussions for peers to get to know one another and become comfortable speaking in groups. Leading up to the contest, staff taught participants speech fundamentals such as voice expression, enunciation, clarity, gestures, and overall presentation. Staff assisted participants in speech writing, outlining, and timing speeches. Participants then composed and delivered a 3–5-minute commemorative speech about a Pomona individual who has made a positive and meaningful impact in his or her life and/or within their community. Participants that presented their speech in a culminating City event had the opportunity to win a cash scholarship prize to go toward college.

Tri-City MHS’ Community Wellbeing Grant Program allows projects to receive funding for a maximum of three (3) years. The Heroes of Pomona Speech Contest received grant funding in 2019 and 2020, reaching the program’s limit. In 2021, programming was suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the event resumed in 2025. As public funds cannot be used for cash prizes, staff must secure sponsorships and/or conduct fundraising efforts to support prize cash

awards. For the May 7, 2026, Heroes of Pomona Speech Contest, staff obtained a donation of \$750, which funded awards for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in both the elementary and middle school divisions. These donated funds will be allocated under Activity Program Supplies for distribution purposes.

Community Services is committed to continuing to provide youth ages 7-17 with valuable and academic experiences through the Heroes of Pomona Speech Contest. Staff will continue to collaborate with local partners and community agencies to sustain and expand the program, ensuring youth have ongoing opportunities to build confidence, strengthen public speaking skills, and celebrate individuals who positively impact the Pomona community.

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.

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ATTACHMENT(S):

Attachment No. 1 – Resolution No. 2026-62