

Town of Paradise Valley

Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor Collins and Town Council Members

FROM: Kevin Burke, Town Manager

Duncan Miller, Town Clerk

DATE: May 11, 2017

DEPARTMENT: Town Manager

AGENDA TITLE:

Award of Community Services Funding for Fiscal Year 2016-17

Council Goals or Other Policies / Statutory Requirements:

Town Council Resolution Number 1304

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the Town Manager to execute funding agreements with the community services organizations listed in the Action Report in the total amount of \$50,000.

SUMMARY STATEMENT:

The Town of Paradise Valley has awarded funding to various community service organizations benefitting the Town, its residents, and the broader community since 1986. In 2009, the Council created a Human Services Funding Committee and adopted funding guidelines. In 2014, the Council adopted a resolution renaming the committee, amending the policy to broaden the definition of eligible organizations, and clarified the process by which funds are awarded.

In March, organizations who had received funding in the past were invited to submit grant applications. In addition, the Town issued a press release, posted information on social media platforms, and provided information to HOA presidents. The Maricopa Association of Governments also distributed information about the Town's funding opportunity to their human service agency email distribution list. The Town received nine applications by the April 14th deadline. The Council budgeted a total of \$50,000 for FY 2016-17 and received \$90,000 in requests.

A group made up of Council Member Stanton, Council Member Pace, and Town Manager Burke met on April 27 to the review the applications. The Town Manager recommends awarding funding to the following organizations.

Agency	Request	Recommendation
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Total	\$90,000	\$50,000
The Phoenix Symphony*	\$5,000	\$2,000
The AZ Center for Nature Conservation - Phoenix Zoo	\$5,000	\$2,000
Scottsdale Sister Cities	\$3,000	0
Save the Family Foundation of AZ*	\$2,000	\$2,000
Franciscan Renewal Center*	\$20,000	0
Duet Partners in Health & Aging	\$10,000	\$9,000
Circle the City	\$10,000	\$3,000
Central AZ Shelter Services	\$25,000	\$23,000
Area Agency on Aging	\$10,000	\$9,000

Arizona Agency on Aging advocates, develops, and delivers essential services to enhance the quality of life for older adults, persons with disabilities, people with HIV/AIDS, and caregivers. The Agency currently has over 1,000 people on a waiting list for home care. A grant of \$9,000 is recommended for use in delivering services to their clientele.

Central Arizona Shelter Services provides emergency shelter for single adults and families, employment services, veterans' services, housing services, and referrals to other community agencies. CASS leverages funds provided by Paradise Valley and other communities in order to sustain regional services for the homeless. A grant of \$23,000 is recommended for the CASS Regional Emergency Shelter Services.

Circle the City is a non-profit community health organization dedicated to providing holistic healthcare to homeless men, women, and children in Maricopa County. Their services include a medical respite center for the homeless, a family health center for outpatient care, and a mobile medical clinic. A grant of \$3,000 is recommended for medical respite care for homeless.

Duet Partners in Health & Aging serves homebound adults, caregivers, and grandparents raising grandchildren. They provide services so that older adults may age in place with dignity; they provide support and guidance to caregivers; and make it possible for children to stay with grandparents instead of foster homes. A grant of \$9,000 to help fund the Independence for Seniors through In-Home Services and Transportation program which provides transportation for seniors to grocery stores and doctor' appointments.

Save the Family Foundation provides housing and supportive services for homeless and impoverished families with children. The recommendation is to award \$2,000.

The Arizona Center for Nature Conservation - ZooReach Scholarship Program - This is a classroom integration program that exposes students to critical thinking skills and science-related careers. The program includes the use of live and pre-recorded Zoo animals, interviews with working professionals from the Zoo, and hands on activities. Students analyze and interpret data, construct explanations and design solutions, and work in groups to practice social skills. Awarded funds will be directed to the Scottsdale Unified School District in general and/or schools in Paradise Valley specifically.

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The Phoenix Symphony - Symphony for Schools provides K-12 school students an opportunity to attend concerts at Symphony Hall that meet the requirements of Arizona's College and Career Ready Standards. The advisory group to the Town Manager recommends a stipulation that funds awarded by the Town be directed to the Scottsdale Unified School District in general and/or schools in Paradise Valley specifically.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

The Town Council budgeted \$50,000 for community services funding this fiscal year. The total expenditure is \$50,000.

ATTACHMENT(S):

PowerPoint