



Town of Paradise Valley

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Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor Collins and Town Council Members

FROM: Kevin Burke, Town Manager
Duncan Miller, Town Clerk

DATE: May 24, 2018

DEPARTMENT: Town Manager

AGENDA TITLE:

Award of Community Services Funding for Fiscal Year 2017-18

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 Town received nine applications by the April 18th deadline totaling \$89,000 in requests. The Council budgeted a total of \$50,000 for FY 2017-18.

A group made up of Council Member Sherf, Council Member Pace, and Town Manager Burke met on May 10 to review the applications. The Town Manager recommends awarding funding to the following organizations.

Agency	Request	Award
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Angels on Patrol, Inc	\$15,000	\$5,000
Arizona Helping Hands	\$5,000	\$2,000
Central AZ Shelter Services	\$25,000	\$25,000
Duet Partners in Health & Aging	\$10,000	\$5,000
Franciscan Renewal Center	\$6,000	0
Save the Family Foundation of AZ	\$3,000	\$3,000
Scottsdale Paradise Valley Family YMCA	\$10,000	\$5,000
Scottsdale Sister Cities Association, Inc	\$5,000	0
Valley Youth Theatre	\$10,000	\$5,000
Total	\$89,000	\$50,000

Angels on Patrol, Inc provides services for families and children in crisis situations, who have been abused, and/or are facing extreme financial hardship as identified by a police officer. The organization also provides intervention and prevention programs, facilitated by police officers, in local schools to start/enhance anti-bullying and empowerment groups. The Paradise Valley Police Department has coordinated with Angels on Patrol in the past and sees value in the services they provide. Funding in the amount of \$5,000 is recommended.

Arizona Helping Hands provides basic needs to children in foster care such as beds, cribs, clothing, diapers, and personal care items. In 2017, 3,760 children in foster care received support. That number is expected to increase to 4,800 in 2018. Funding in the amount of \$2,000 is recommended.

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. An agreement for services in the amount of \$25,000 is recommended for the CASS Regional Emergency Shelter Services.

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. There are numerous Paradise Valley residents who make use of this program. An agreement for services in the amount of \$5,000 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. Their mission is to equip families to overcome homelessness and achieve self-sufficiency. The recommendation is to award \$3,000.

Scottsdale Paradise Valley Family YMCA requested funds for LIVESTRONG® a 12-week, evidence-based program that is offered free of charge to any adults 18 years old or older living with cancer or post treatment. Funds are also being request to provide financial assistance to cover the cost of membership, youth enrichment, and childcare for local residents facing financial hardship. In 2017, 32 Paradise Valley families received financial assistance. The recommendation is to award

\$5,000 for services.

Valley Youth Theatre is a safe place where young people from diverse backgrounds can learn and grow as individuals, performers, and leaders through a transformational performing arts experience. Valley Youth Theatre partners with other civic and charitable organizations to offer opportunities for at-risk youth and children suffering from chronic or terminal medical conditions to attend a performance free of charge. A contract for services in the amount of \$5,000 is recommended to help fund production expenses.

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

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

ATTACHMENT(S):

PowerPoint