



Legislation Text

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Report regarding a resolution authorizing the acceptance of \$25,000 in grant funding from the Woodlawn Foundation to support Gene Mullin Community Learning Center's after-school and summer homework program and amending the Library Department's Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget via Budget Amendment 23.069. (*Valerie Sommer, Library Director*)

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution accepting grant funding in the amount of \$25,000 from the Woodlawn Foundation to support Gene Mullin Community Learning Center's (GMCLC) after-school and summer homework program and amending the Library Department's Fiscal Year 2022-2023 (FY22-23) Operating Budget via Budget Amendment 23.069.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

On April 25, 2023, the Woodlawn Foundation awarded \$25,000 in grant funding to support GMCLC's after-school and summer homework program. GMCLC offers free academic support and learning opportunities for children in 3rd through 5th grades attending school or living in South San Francisco. Many program children come from households where parents work multiple jobs and/ or have language or literacy issues. The program aims to support learning skills and promote the successful completion of homework, a critical need identified by both teachers and parents. GMCLC staff meet with parents and host family education workshops focusing on math, reading, and healthy living to support learning at home. In addition to homework assistance, the program offers dynamic learning clubs featuring enrichment activities such as Reader's Theater and Mileage Running Club. Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) activities are also provided during the year. This year's grant focus is in building positive digital citizenship skills and supporting learning and homework completion using technology and online resources, with a special focus on math skills.

FISCAL IMPACT

Grant funds will be used to amend the Library Department's current FY22-23 Operating Budget via Budget Amendment 23.069. Funds not expended in FY22-23 will be carried over into Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Receipt of these funds does not commit the City to ongoing funding.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Strengthening of learning programs is an action item in the City's Strategic Plan under Priority #2: Quality of Life and a core value of Library programs and services. This funding will allow the Library to encourage and support local elementary school students in their reading, math and digital skills.

CONCLUSION

Receipt of these funds will support GMCLC's after-school and summer homework program. It is recommended that the City Council accept \$25,000 in grant funding from the Woodlawn Foundation and amend the Library Department's FY22-23 Operating Budget via Budget Amendment 23.069.