



Legislation Text

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Report regarding a resolution authorizing the acceptance of \$35,000 in grant funding from the Woodlawn Foundation to support Project Read's Learning Wheels family literacy program and, approving Budget Amendment 20.016. (*Valerie Sommer, Library Director*)

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the acceptance of \$35,000 in grant funding from the Woodlawn Foundation to support Project Read's Learning Wheels family literacy program and approving Budget Amendment 20.016.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

Project Read has been awarded funding from The Woodlawn Foundation to support family literacy services offered through Learning Wheels for low income, low literate families in North San Mateo County. Learning Wheels, the Library's mobile literacy program, brings story times, literacy activities, free books, and family workshops to sites outside standard library facilities. Each month, Learning Wheels visits over 350 families at preschools, transitional housing locations, social service agencies, health clinics, and community events. In the past year, Learning Wheels family literacy program distributed approximately 5,000 books during 150 visits with families throughout the community. In addition, Learning Wheels services provide information and brochures about safety net services available to underserved families. Funding from The Woodlawn Foundation allows Project Read's Learning Wheels to continue providing services to residents of South San Francisco and the surrounding communities of Daly City, San Bruno, and the Town of Colma.

FISCAL IMPACT

Grant funds will be used to amend the Library Department's current Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-2020 Operating Budget via Budget Amendment 20.016. Receipt of these funds does not commit the City to ongoing funding.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Support of Project Read's Learning Wheels program will provide enhanced family literacy programming for low literate families in our community. The strengthening of learning programs is an action item in the City Strategic Plan under Priority #2: Quality of Life.

CONCLUSION

Receipt of these funds will support Project Read's Learning Wheels family literacy program for low income, low literate families. It is recommended that the City Council accept \$35,000 in grant funding to support family literacy programming and amend the Library Department's FY 2019-2020 operating budget via Budget Amendment 20.016.