# AGRICATURE INDUSTRY

# **COUNTY OF SONOMA**

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# SUMMARY REPORT

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To: Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): Board of Supervisors

Staff Name and Phone Number: Supervisor Gorin, 707-565-2241

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisorial District(s): First District

### Title:

Disbursement of Fiscal Year 2020-2021 First District Community Investment Fund Grant Awards

### **Recommended Action:**

Approve Community Investment Fund grant awards and Authorize the County Administrator, or designee, to execute an agreement with the following entities for a Community Investment Grant for FY 2020-2021: Boys & Girls Club of Santa Rosa, Inc. (dba Boys and Girls Club of Greater Santa Rosa), \$1,000; Art Escape, \$1,000; Glen Ellen Forum, \$1,000. (First District)

### **Executive Summary:**

Local Events, Organizations, District Priorities Grants of the Community Investment Fund Policy provides grant allocations to each Supervisor, to be distributed at the Supervisor's discretion. The First District has reviewed applications and wishes to recommend the following FY 2020-21 grant awards:

- Boys & Girls Club of Santa Rosa, Inc. (dba Boys and Girls Club of Greater Santa Rosa) for school-day and after school programs supporting virtual learning, extracurricular activities, and other programming for youth during Covid-19, award of \$1,000;
- 2.) Art Escape for holiday decorations in the Springs area of Sonoma Valley, award of \$1,000; and
- 3.) Glen Ellen Forum for holiday decorations on the Jim Berkland Memorial Bridge in Glen Ellen/Eldridge, award of \$1,000.

# **Discussion:**

The Sonoma County Community Investment Fund grant program utilizes a portion of the Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) to encourage economic development, community engagement, enhance culture through a variety of grant award and funding avenues. The program provides various grants to community non-profits for advertising and economic development, events and the county as a visitor destination with the goal of advancing economic growth through tourism. Additionally, the program provides grants to address impacts on safety due to tourism and to enhance community services throughout the county. The program provides funding to the Regional Parks Department as well as the Economic Development Department and a number of other county department activities, all with the focus of supporting the community's recovery efforts.

The Community Investment Fund Policy is divided into different categories. The Board established the Local Events, Organizations, District Priorities category to fund local events that will support businesses, enhance

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culture, and organizations that provide a benefit to the community. The Board may award funding to County Department to fulfill Supervisorial District priorities. Funding for these events and organizations is provided at the discretion of each Supervisorial District based on an overall allocation of \$500,000 divided equally across each district. Events and organizations make requests throughout the year to the Supervisorial District in which their event/organization exists. In addition, specific to FY 2020-21 and as result of the COVID-19 pandemic Transient Occupancy Tax revenues are expected to be 30% less. Therefore, during the September budget hearings, the Board agreed to provide one-time discretionary sources to supplement and maintain the \$100,000 per district grant capacity.

Funds will be distributed upon approval of these awards by the Board of Supervisors and execution of the Community Investment Fund grant agreement (contract) by the entity. The contracts will be executed by the County Administrator, or designee. The contracts will require the County seal on promotional materials produced using the grant award.

Activities performed utilizing Community Investment Program grants provide public benefits that serve important community needs under Government Code Section 26227.

### **Prior Board Actions:**

12/15/2020-Awarded FY 2020-2021 Local Events, Organizations, and Economic Development grants

### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

Expenditures	FY 20-21	FY21-22	FY 22-23
	Adopted	Projected	Projected
Budgeted Expenses	3,000		
Additional Appropriation Requested			
Total Expenditures	3,000		
Funding Sources			
General Fund/WA GF			
State/Federal			
Fees/Other	3,000		
Use of Fund Balance			
Contingencies			
Total Sources	3,000		

# **Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:**

Transient Occupancy funds and one-time general fund discretionary sources are programmed in the FY 2020-2021 budget.

Staffing Impacts:		

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Position Title (Payroll Classification)	Monthly Salary Range (A-I Step)	Deletions (Number)

Narrative Explanation	of Staffing Impacts	(If Required)	):
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N/A

**Attachments:** 

None.

Related Items "On File" with the Clerk of the Board:

Community Investment Fund Policy