



# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR  
AND CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Albert Balagso

**SUBJECT:** YOUTH SUMMER  
NUTRITION GRANT

**DATE:** 5-5-10

Approved

Date

5-5-10

**COUNCIL DISTRICT:** Citywide  
**SNI AREA:** N/A

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a grant application to the YMCA of Santa Clara Valley in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000 to support the efforts of a Summer Nutrition Collaborative and to negotiate and execute a grant agreement with YMCA, accepting the grant and any collateral documents, and to negotiate and execute amendments to the grant agreement to extend or modify the grant period or to accept additional grant funds up to twice the original amount under this grant as further described below.

## **OUTCOME**

The City will be able to contract with YMCA and begin providing nutritional meals, recreational activities and enrichment activities between June and September 2010 to approximately 1,245 youth in San José.

## **BACKGROUND**

In anticipation of the Federal Department of Social Services ECF grants, the Santa Clara County's Department of Social Services invited the City of San José and several community-based organizations in Santa Clara County to form a collaborative. The following agencies responded and have formed the Summer Nutrition Collaborative: Boys and Girls Club, City of San José – PRNS, First 5 of Santa Clara Valley, YMCA of Santa Clara Valley (YMCA), and the Mexican Heritage Corporation. Details of this grant were made available on April 19, 2010. Funds received under this grant are to be utilized to support needed summer nutrition programs for low-income children who traditionally receive free and reduced meals during the school year. The funding allows for wrap-around and recreational services as a means to encourage

attendance at sites delivering nutritionally balanced meals throughout the summer. PRNS will use the funding to deliver nutritional meals and recreational services to the sites listed in the section below. The County of Santa Clara identified YMCA of Santa Clara Valley to be the fiscal agent for the collaborative. The County requested the members of the collaborative to submit a program budget and narrative by April 23, 2010. PRNS staff prepared a grant proposal for approximately \$1.2M for City services and submitted the requested documents to the YMCA by the due date. YMCA will contract with the County of Santa Clara for the distribution of funds and will be responsible for the overall oversight of the collaborative. YMCA will contract with other members of the collaborative according to their individual proposed budget in order to provide the meals and wrap-around services throughout Santa Clara County.

### ANALYSIS

Traditionally, children of families residing in the targeted areas receive free or reduced lunches during the year through school-based programs. For summer 2010, due to budget shortfalls, school districts have cancelled their free summer school offerings and related nutritional programs. Families will be hard pressed to provide a nutritionally balanced meal to their children. The Second Harvest Food Bank of San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties estimates approximately 100,000 kids will go hungry this summer. The City of San José Youth Summer Nutrition program will assist in addressing this pressing social need and provide meals and opportunities for children and youth to be engaged in safe recreational and leisure activities that will have a positive impact in their life. The revenue realized through this effort will also support City and non-profit partners' services and goals. If funded, the City of San José will receive approximately \$1.2M to deliver recreational services and coordinate the meals. YMCA, as the fiscal agent, will contract separately with the food vendor to deliver meals on a daily basis at the each of the sites. It is anticipated, with the successful implementation of this year's summer nutrition programs, there will be funding for similar services during the summer of 2011.

The grant period is from May 01, 2010 to August 31, 2010 with all reports to be completed by September 30, 2010. This grant will provide meals (breakfast, lunch and snacks) and recreational and leisure activities to over 1200 children and youth. The following City sites are being considered:

Starbird Community Center  
Gardner Community Center  
Roosevelt Community Center  
Northside Community Center  
Mayfair Community Center  
Slonaker Elementary School  
Ann Darling School

Seven Trees Community Center  
Shirakawa Community Center  
Hank Lopez Community Center  
Meadowfair Community Center  
Alviso Community Center  
Franklin McKinley Academy at  
Evergreen Valley College

The camps will run from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, from mid to late June to mid August depending on the site.

There is a 20% match (in-kind) requirement for this grant which will be covered through existing funds allocated for summer camps, personnel costs which are already being incurred, or through facility usage. As a result, the City will not incur any additional expenses, beyond those reimbursed by the grant. Any budgetary action needed to administer the camps will be brought forward once the City has been awarded the grant.

Staff is also seeking authorization for the City Manager to amend the agreement if the City Manager believes that it is in the City's interest to modify or extend the grant period. Occasionally, additional funding has become available for particular grants. In order to quickly take advantage of such an opportunity, staff is also seeking authority for the City Manager to execute amendments to the grant agreement to accept additional grant funds in an aggregate amount up to twice the original grant amount of \$1.2M.

### **EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP**

Any budgetary action needed will be brought forward for Council approval at a later date after it is determined if the City has been awarded the grant.

### **POLICY ALTERNATIVES**

Not applicable.

### **PUBLIC OUTREACH/INTEREST**

- Criterion 1:** Requires Council action on the use of public funds equal to \$1 million or greater.
- Criterion 2:** Adoption of a new or revised policy that may have implications for public health, safety, quality of life, or financial/economic vitality of the City.  
**(Required: E-mail and Website Posting)**
- Criterion 3:** Consideration of proposed changes to service delivery, programs, staffing that may have impacts to community services and have been identified by staff, Council or a Community group that requires special outreach. **(Required: E-mail, Website Posting, Community Meetings, Notice in appropriate newspapers)**

This memo falls into Criterion 1 above. The memo will be posted on the City's website for the May 18, 2010 City Council Agenda.

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### **COORDINATION**

This memo has been coordinated with the City Attorney's Office and the Budget Office.

### **COST SUMMARY/IMPLICATIONS**

There is a 20% match (in-kind) requirement equal to \$240,000 for this grant, which will be covered through existing summer camp funds and resources (facilities). Any budgetary action needed will be brought forward for Council approval at a later date after it is determined if the City has been awarded the grant.

### **CEQA**

Not a Project, File No. PP10-066 (e), Services that involve no physical changes to the environment.

/s/

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