

City Council Agenda Item Memo

From: Paul M. Briseno, City Manager

Council Meeting: February 13, 2023

Subject: 2024 Outside Agency Funding Recommendations

Presenter(s): Jake Meshke, Deputy City Manager
Heidi Gullickson, United Way Director

Summary:

The 2024 outside agency funding recommendations are presented to City Council for final action. Approximately \$258,035 was budgeted for social service agencies.

Background:

Annually, the City Council commits a portion of the budget for outside agency funding. Council approved \$252,480 in 2023's budget for outside agency funding and projects. The increase meets the requirements of City Council funding of outside agencies.

The 2024 Budget contains \$2.5 million for outside agencies with approximately \$258,035 committed to non-profits through the United Way dual application funding process.

The United Way received all city social service requests.

Discussion:

The 2024 City funding request for social service agencies is \$431,000 from 14 local agencies. This is an increased request of \$52,000 from 2023. Last year some agencies received ARPA funding and did not request additional city funding. Attached to this document are each agency's request and recommended funding levels. The United Way committee reviewed applications in December. An impact rubric created through the City Council's past discussion on priorities assisted in providing a recommendation.

Prioritizing food security increased the rubric areas that allowed continued funding for Brookings Backpack Project, Food Pantry, and Feeding Brookings.

Legal Consideration:

There are no legal considerations at this time.

Strategic Plan Consideration:

The analysis and recommendation provide financial transparency to the outside agency funding and therefore meet the Council's goal of Fiscal Responsibility. Services

provided by the not-for-profit agencies ensure the attainment of the Council's goal of providing a safe, inclusive, connected community to all.

Financial Consideration:

Council budgeted \$258,035 for social services efforts. Total outside agency funding for 2024 is budgeted at \$2.5 million.

Options and Recommendation:

The City Council has the following options:

1. Approve as presented
2. Amend
3. Deny
4. Move the item to a study session
5. Do nothing

Staff recommends approval of the recommendation.

Supporting Documentation:

2024 Funding Recommendation