SALT RIVER PROJECT AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENT AND POWER DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 20, 2025, No Sooner Than 10:30 AM

SRP Administration Building 1500 N. Mill Avenue, Tempe, AZ 85288

Committee Members Kathy Mohr-Almeida, Chair; Paul Rovey, Vice Chair; and Casey Clowes, Randy Miller, Mark Pace, Jack White Jr., and Leslie C. Williams

Call to Order Roll Call

- - Request for approval of the minutes for the meeting of November 21, 2024.
- 2. Corporate Contributions ANNE RICKARD

Request for approval of the following contributions:

- A. \$50,000 to the Arizona Faith Network to support the Extreme Heat Relief program.
- B. \$45,000 to the Boys & Girls Club of the Valley: \$35,000 to support the AZYouthforce program; and \$10,000 to sponsor the Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars event on March 1, 2025.
- C. \$50,000 to the Family Promise Greater Phoenix to support the Legacy Village Capital Campaign.
- D. \$58,400 to the Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation: \$20,000 to support the 2025 Girls Get IT: Two STEM Program Sponsorships in the East and West Valley; \$20,000 to support the 2025 Fast Track Certificate Program: Tuition stipends for up to 40 students; \$16,000 to sponsor the 2025 Heroes of Education event on November 13, 2025; and \$2,400 towards the 4% Foundation fee for Grant Administration.
- E. \$50,000 to the Mesa United Way (Azura) to support the Foster360 Program.
- F. \$50,000 to the Northern Arizona University Foundation to support ITEP's Native American Internship Program.
- G. \$150,000 to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to support the SVdP Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission Capital Campaign.

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- H. \$52,900 to Teach for America Phoenix: \$25,000 to support the sponsor a teacher program; \$25,000 to sponsor the 2025 Teach For America Celebration Dinner event on February 27, 2025; and \$2,900 to sponsor the Alumni event in May 2025.
- I. \$75,330 to the University of Arizona Foundation: Arizona Project WET: \$30,000 to support Salaries & Wages; \$8,826 to support Fringe Benefits; \$5,000 to support Travel; \$27,240 for Direct Costs; and \$4,264 for Indirect Costs.
- J. \$135,000 to the Valley of the Sun United Way: \$125,000 to support the Housing and Homelessness program; \$10,000 to sponsor We Are UNITED on March 18, 2025.
- 4. Future Agenda Topics CHAIR KATHY MOHR-ALMEIDA

The Committee may vote during the meeting to go into Executive Session, pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A)(3), for the purpose of discussion or consultation for legal advice with legal counsel to the Committee on any of the matters listed on the agenda.

The Committee may go into Closed Session, pursuant to A.R.S. §30-805(B), for records and proceedings relating to competitive activity, including trade secrets or privileged or confidential commercial or financial information.

Visitors: The public has the option to attend in-person or observe via Zoom and may receive teleconference information by contacting the Corporate Secretary's Office at (602) 236-4398. If attending in-person, all property in your possession, including purses, briefcases, packages, or containers, will be subject to inspection.



MINUTES COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

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November 21, 2024

A meeting of the Community Relations Committee of the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District (the District) and the Salt River Valley Water Users' Association (the Association), collectively SRP, convened at 11:43 a.m. on Thursday, November 21, 2024, from the Hoopes Board Conference Room at the SRP Administration Building, 1500 North Mill Avenue, Tempe, Arizona. This meeting was conducted in-person and via teleconference in compliance with open meeting law guidelines.

Committee Members present at roll call were K.L. Mohr-Almeida, Chair; P.E. Rovey, Vice Chair; and R.J. Miller, M.V. Pace, and J.M. White Jr.

Committee Members absent at roll call were C. Clowes and L.C. Williams.

Also present were Vice President C.J. Dobson; Board Members R.C. Arnett, N.R. Brown, M.J. Herrera, K.J. Johnson, S.D. Kennedy, and L.D. Rovey; Council Chair J.R. Shelton; Council Member E.L. Gorsegner; I.R. Avalos, M.J. Burger, A.P. Chabrier, A.C. Davis, B.B. Davis, J.M. Felty, R.T. Judd, V.P. Kisicki, B.J. Koch, K.J. Lee, L.A. Meyers, M.J. O'Connor, B.A. Olsen, J.M. Pratt, A. Rickard, and C.M. Sifuentes of SRP; John Deese of Origis Energy; and Samantha Salton of Strata Clean Energy.

In compliance with A.R.S. §38-431.02, Andrew Davis of the Corporate Secretary's Office had posted a notice and agenda of the Community Relations Committee meeting at the SRP Administration Building, 1500 North Mill Avenue, Tempe, Arizona, at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 19, 2024.

Chair K.L. Mohr-Almeida called the meeting to order.

Consent Agenda

Chair K.L. Mohr-Almeida requested a motion for Committee approval of the Consent Agenda, in its entirety.

On a motion duly made by Board Member R.J. Miller and seconded by P.E. Rovey, the Committee unanimously approved and adopted the following item on the Consent Agenda:

 Minutes of the Community Relations Committee meeting on August 22, 2024, as presented.

Corporate Secretary J.M. Felty polled the Committee Members on Board Member R.J. Miller's motion to approve the Consent Agenda, in its entirety. The vote was recorded as follows:

YES:	Board Members K.L. Mohr-Almeida, Chair; P.E Rovey, Vice Chair; and R.J. Miller, M.V. Pace, and J.M. White Jr.	(5)
NO:	None	(0)
ABSTAINED:	None	(0)
ABSENT:	Board Members C. Clowes and L.C. Williams	(2)

Corporate Contributions

Arizona Science Teachers Association (ASTA)

Using a PowerPoint presentation, Anne Rickard, SRP Director of Community Partnerships, reviewed Management's request for approval for SRP to contribute \$50,000 to the ASTA to support the operation of the Ambassador Program. They concluded with a review of contributions by other companies.

Arizona State University (ASU) Foundation: Department of Physics

A. Rickard reviewed Management's request for approval for SRP to contribute \$33,895 to ASU Foundation: Department of Physics to support the Modeling Instruction Program in Physics and Chemistry. They concluded with a review of contributions by other companies.

ASU: Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College

A. Rickard reviewed Management's request for approval for SRP to contribute \$68,316 to support the Teach Inquiry-Based STEM Science (TIBSS) workshop, the Environmental Stewardship Patrol (ESP), and the Environmental Education Program (EEP). They concluded with a review of contributions by other companies.

Education Forward Arizona

A. Rickard reviewed Management's request for approval for SRP to contribute \$35,000 to Education Forward Arizona: \$25,000 to support Everything to Gain (E2G) Programs; and \$10,000 to support an InspirED Evening Dinner and Awards event. They concluded with a review of contributions by other companies.

Arizona Center for Nature Conservation / Phoenix Zoo

A. Rickard reviewed Management's request for approval for SRP to contribute \$200,000 to Arizona Center for Nature Conservation / Phoenix Zoo to support the New Veterinary Medical Center Capital Campaign, split in three increments from Fiscal Year 2026 (FY26) through FY28. They stated that Jim M. Pratt, SRP General Manager and Chief Executive Officer, represents SRP on the Board of the Arizona Center for Nature Conservation / Phoenix Zoo. A. Rickard concluded with a review of contributions by other companies.

Southwest Autism Research & Resource Center (SARRC)

A. Rickard reviewed Management's request for approval for SRP to contribute \$50,000 to the SARRC to support the A-to-Z and Everywhere in Between Capital Campaign, split in two increments in FY25 and FY26. They concluded with a review of contributions by other companies.

Child Crisis Arizona

A. Rickard reviewed Management's request for approval for SRP to contribute \$40,000 to Child Crisis Arizona: \$35,000 to support the Foster Care Shelter Programs; and \$5,000 to sponsor the Child Crisis Arizona Annual Gala event. They stated that Katy A. Heth, SRP Director of Litigation and Claims, represents SRP on the Board of Child Crisis Arizona. A. Rickard concluded with a review of contributions by other companies.

On a motion duly made by Board Member R.J. Miller and seconded by Vice Chair P.E. Rovey, the Committee agreed to recommend Board approval of all corporate contributions, as presented.

Corporate Secretary J.M. Felty polled the Committee Members on Board Member R.J. Miller's motion for approval. The vote was recorded as follows:

YES:	Board Members K.L. Mohr-Almeida, Chair; P.E Rovey, Vice Chair; and R.J. Miller, M.V. Pace, and J.M. White Jr.	(5)
NO:	None	(0)
ABSTAINED:	None	(0)
ABSENT:	Board Members C. Clowes and L.C. Williams	(2)

Copies of the handout distributed and the PowerPoint slides used in this presentation are on file in the Corporate Secretary's Office and, by reference, made a part of these minutes.

Report on Current Events by the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer or Designees

There was no report on current events by Jim M. Pratt, SRP General Manager and Chief Executive Officer.

Future Agenda Topics

Chair K.L. Mohr-Almeida asked the Committee if there were any future agenda topics. None were requested.

There being no further business to come before the Community Relations Committee, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

John M. Felty Corporate Secretary

SRP Community Relations Board Committee

Anne Rickard | February 20, 2025

SRP & Arizona Faith Network

Request \$50,000 to support:

Extreme Heat Relief Program

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Basic Needs	\$25,000	N/A

• APS	\$25,0	000
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 BHHS Legacy Fund 	\$50,000
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• Piper	\$75,000
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 City of Glendale 	\$200,000
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SRP & Boys and Girls Club of the Valley

Request \$45,000 to support:

- \$35,000 AZYouthforce Program
- \$10,000 Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars event

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Basic Needs	\$45,000	Chris Dobson

 Arizona Community Foundation 	\$25,000
• APS	\$25,000
Bank of America	\$60,000
Best Buy Foundation	\$60,000

SRP & Family Promise – Greater Phoenix

Request \$50,000 to support:

- The Legacy Village Capital Campaign
- Payable over two years: FY25 FY26

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Basic Needs	\$25,000	N/A

 Cox Communications \$5,000

• Thunderbird Charities \$100,000

SRP & Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation

Request \$58,400 to support:

- \$20,000 2025 Girls Get IT: Two STEM Program Sponsorships (East & West Valley)
- \$20,000 2025 Fast Track Certificate Program
- \$16,000 2025 Heroes of Education event
- \$2,400 4% Foundation Fee for Grant Administration

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Education	\$55,000	Geri Mingura

State Farm	\$170,000
TruWest Credit Union	\$65,000
The Arizona Republic/Public Media	\$59,500
• APS	\$10,000

SRP & Mesa United Way (Azura)

Request \$50,000 to support:

Foster360 Program

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Basic Needs	\$60,000	Kevin Nielsen

Dignity Health \$10	,000
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• Gila River \$3	0,000	
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 Toyota Valley Dealers \$62,000

SRP & Northern Arizona University Foundation

Request \$50,000 to support:

• ITEP's Native American Internship Program

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Education	\$5,000	N/A

 APS and APS Foundation 	\$200,000
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 W.L. Gore & Associates 	\$98,000
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• Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Arizona \$50,000

SRP & Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Request \$150,000 to support:

- SVdP Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission Capital Campaign
- Payable over three years: FY26 FY28

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Basic Needs	\$50,000	N/A

• \$10 million of the \$12 million currently supported by individual and private family foundations

SRP & Teach for America – Phoenix

Request \$52,900 to support:

- \$25,000 Sponsor A Teacher Program
- \$25,000 2025 Teach For America Celebration Dinner event
- \$2,900 Sponsor the Alumni event in May 2025

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Education	\$50,000	Alaina Chabrier

 Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Arizona 	\$30,000
Kitchell Corporation	\$25,000
• APS	\$10,000

SRP & University of Arizona Foundation: Arizona Project WET

Request \$75,330 to support:

- \$30,000 Salaries & Wages
- \$8,826 Fringe Benefits
- \$5,000 Travel
- \$27,240 Direct Costs
- \$4,264 Indirect Costs

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Education	\$61,702	N/A

 Arizona Water Company between \$10,000 - \$50,000

 Central Arizona Project <\$10,000

 EPCOR Water <\$10,000

 Liberty Utilities <\$10,000

SRP & Valley of the Sun United Way

Request \$135,000 to support:

- \$125,000 Housing and Homelessness programming
- \$10,000 We are UNITED event

Giving Priority	Previous Contribution	SRP Employee on Board
Basic Needs	\$185,000	Angie Bond-Simpson

• APS	\$440,000
Quick Trip	\$414,000
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$250,000
 Nationwide 	\$110,000

thank you!

AGENDA



February 12, 2025

Corporate Contributions

Committee

1.	Call to Order
2.	Safety Minute
3.	Community Partnerships Grant Renewals and Requests –
	(Grant recommendations of over \$25,001 or more including renewals) MS. RICKARD
	Arizona Faith Network
	Boys & Girls Club of the Valley
	Family Promise – Greater Phoenix (Capital Campaign)
	Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation
	Mesa United Way (Azura)
	Northern Arizona University Foundation
	Society of St. Vincent de Paul (Capital Campaign)
	Teach for America – Phoenix
	University of Arizona Foundation: Arizona Project WET
	Valley of the Sun United Way

- 4. Chairman's Report
- 5. Adjournment



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



Corporate Contributions Committee Items for Approval

February 12, 2025

Organization	Amount Recommended	Previous Year Contribution	Focus Area	SRP Employee on Board
Arizona Faith Network	\$50,000	\$25,000	Basic Needs	N/A
Boys & Girls Club of the Valley	\$45,000	\$45,000	Basic Needs	Chris Dobson
Family Promise - Greater Phoenix	\$50,000	\$25,000	Basic Needs	N/A
Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation	\$58,400	\$55,000	Education	Geri Mingura
Mesa United Way (Azura)	\$50,000	\$60,000	Basic Needs	Kevin Nielsen
Northern Arizona University Foundation	\$50,000	*\$5,000	Education	N/A
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	\$150,000	\$50,000	Basic Needs	N/A
Teach for America - Phoenix	\$52,900	\$50,000	Education	Alaina Chabrier
University of Arizona Foundation: Arizona Project Wet	\$75,330	\$61,702	Education	N/A
Valley of the Sun United Way	\$135,000	\$185,000	Basic Needs	Angie Bond- Simpson

Note: Detailed descriptions for each item included in appendix.

^{*}Previous contribution to this program was \$75,000 in 2019.

Organization: Arizona Faith Network

Amount Recommended: \$50,000

Description: The Arizona Faith Network (AFN) is requesting support for the Extreme Heat Relief Program which provides life-saving heat relief services through cooling centers situated in faith-based locations (serving any community member regardless of faith) throughout Maricopa County. These centers, open from May to September, provide a safe and welcoming environment for community members and their pets. Visitors can access cooling facilities, water, nutritious snacks, and connections to comprehensive services through community partnerships, ensuring essential respite during extreme heat. AFN is a key partner of the Heat Relief Network, mobilizing its faith-based partners to support the most vulnerable populations during the extreme heat months. As Arizona continues to see record breaking temperatures, the program has experienced significant growth, with visits increasing from over 25,000 in 2023 to 48,000 in 2024. Notably, 76% of visitors identified as experiencing homelessness, highlighting the program's critical role in serving highly vulnerable populations. The community experienced an impact from reduced funding available from county and state agencies for heat relief efforts as federal funds available during the pandemic ended. AFN has established a network that the community can rely on and seeks additional funds to maintain or increase the number of respite centers available.

Board Member: N/A

Comparatives:

APS \$25,000
 BHHS Legacy Fund \$50,000
 Piper \$75,000
 City of Glendale \$200,000

Organization: Boys & Girls Club of the Valley

Amount Recommended: \$45,000

Description: The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley (BGCV) is seeking support from SRP for its AZYouthforce program at various branches across the Valley, and sponsorship for its annual fundraiser. The AZYouthforce program focuses on workforce development for at-risk, low-income youth, equipping them with essential skills through training, coaching, internships, and rewarding job opportunities. Through the AZYouthforce Academy, a 30-hour program, teens gain valuable professional skills in resume preparation, career mapping, and post-secondary education planning, and are matched with paid internships. BGCV intends to serve 250 youth aged 13-19 through career exploration and training, with 175 youth completing the AZYouthforce Academy and over 125 teens participating in paid internships.

Board Member: Chris Dobson

Comparatives:



Arizona Community Foundation \$25,000
APS \$25,000
Bank of America \$60,000
Best Buy Foundation \$60,000

Organization: Family Promise - Greater Phoenix (Capital Campaign)

Amount Recommended: \$50,000 (payable over two years, FY25 – FY26)

Description: Legacy Village

Family Promise has launched A Journey Home, a \$3.9 million capital campaign to support the construction of Legacy Village, a new transitional housing community in Glendale.

For 25 years, Family Promise has been supporting families with children experiencing homelessness, operating four sites across the Valley. Their shelter services program offers accommodations through congregations, social services, and evening meals. Families are then transported to Day Centers for daily living needs and receive case management aimed at achieving stable housing. Family Promise has initiated the "A Journey Home" \$3.9 million capital campaign, focusing on four key areas: expanding homeless prevention services, improving existing locations, enhancing operational sustainability, and constructing the Legacy Village.

Family Promise is requesting SRP contribute to the construction of the Legacy Village, a \$1.7 million project in Glendale which includes a furnished, six-unit complex of two-bedroom homes built from new shipping containers. A seventh unit will house Family Promise offices, a community laundry room, and a centralized private entry into the village. The Legacy Village will serve 36 families per year at capacity and construction is expected to be completed in early 2025. Family Promise has raised 75% of its overall fundraising goal including \$1.17 million for the Legacy Village.

Board Member: N/A

Comparatives:

Cox \$5,000Thunderbird Charities \$100,000

Organization: Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation

Amount Recommended: \$58,400

Description: The Maricopa County Community Colleges District (MCCCD) is dedicated to educational excellence and to meeting the needs of Maricopa County citizens and businesses. Projects supported through this funding include:



- 2025 Heroes of Education/Greatest Needs Funds
 - O Heroes of Education will recognize champions of education in Arizona at a high-profile event at the Heard Museum. All sponsorship dollars raised through Heroes of Education support the Greatest Needs Funds which provides funding to address gaps that may prohibit students from obtaining educational opportunities due to lack of resources. Examples include immediate funding for technology support or equipment or program fees.
- 2025 Girls Get IT (GGIT)
 - The goal of the annual Maricopa Community Colleges Girls Get IT events is to introduce students in grades 7-12, primarily from Title I schools across the East and West Valley, to the many career possibilities in the field of Information Technology (IT). Through interactive workshops, attendees learn about emerging technologies and the full range of educational programs and professional opportunities available in IT, including cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, web application design, object-oriented software development and more.
- Fast Track Certificate Program
 - The Maricopa Community Colleges working with industry partners has developed Fast Track certifications to train students in relevant skills used in some of the hottest, in-demand jobs in Arizona allowing students the ability to step into vital jobs and be hired as quickly as possible. Most of the Fast Track certificates do not require previous coursework or requisites to register. Over 80 Fast Track certifications are available in five Fields of Interest (Applied Technology; Behavioral Sciences & Human Services; Business, Entrepreneurialism, and Management; Computer & Information Technology; Health Sciences; Visual & Performing Arts)

Board Member: Geri Mingura

Comparatives:

State Farm \$170,000
TruWest Credit Union \$65,000
The Arizona Republic/Public Media \$59,500
APS \$10,000

Organization: Mesa United Way (Azura)

Amount Recommended: \$50,000

Azura, formerly Mesa United Way, is requesting SRP support the Foster360 Trauma-informed Housing program. Annually, more than 900 young adults age out of the Arizona foster care system, within two years, 50% become homeless. The 2024 Point-In-Time (PIT) Homeless Count determined that 65% of Arizona's homeless population had previously been part of the foster care system. Support for Foster360 provides stable housing, wrap-around services and trauma informed case management to homeless youth who have aged out of the foster care system. The Pepper Place accommodates 15 youth, ensuring their safety and success through intensive case management, educational and employment assistance, and traumatic brain injury therapy. This therapy is offered through a new partnership with Barrow Neurological



Institute, addressing the needs of youth who have experienced brain injuries due to emotional trauma.

Board Member: N/A

Comparatives:

Dignity Health \$10,000
Gila River \$30,000
Toyota Valley Dealers \$62,000

Organization: Northern Arizona University Foundation

Amount Recommended: \$50,000

Description: Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals' (ITEP) Native American Internship Program offers Indigenous students the opportunity to gain hands-on experiences in water resources, land management, and environmental sustainability, respecting traditional ecological knowledge and bridging cultural heritage with contemporary science. ITEP delivers hundreds of training sessions annually, equipping tribal professionals with skills in areas such as environmental management, air quality, and climate resilience. Through internships and educational programs, ITEP supports the development of the next generation of indigenous environmental leaders. The current program serves 24 indigenous students annually through 16 summer internships and eight academic-year placements, but additional funding would allow the program to expand. Funding would support:

- Increased participation: Approximate increase of the current cohort size from 24 to 30
- Enhanced program offerings: Specialized training, professional development and career readiness workshops, and mentorship programs that strengthen workforce readiness.
- Expanded geographic impact: Increased resources would facilitate partnerships with a broader array of host sites, allowing placements in more cities and tribal regions

ITEP temporarily paused during COVID to focus on other needs for indigenous students, so we did not fund the program during that time, but students are actively engaged in the program currently.

Board Member: N/A

Comparatives:

APS and APS Foundation \$200,000
W.L. Gore & Associates \$98,000
Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Arizona \$50,000

Organization: Society of St. Vincent de Paul (Capital Campaign)

Amount Recommended: \$150,000 (payable over three years, FY26 – FY28)



Description: Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission

In 2023 the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) launched the Common Ground capital campaign, a multi-phase campaign with a \$150 million goal composed of an endowment, transitional housing, renovation and new building for mission critical spaces and a future campus. As part of this overarching campaign, SVDP completed the construction of DePaul Manor (100 bed) and Rosalie's Place (71 bed) transitional housing communities for men and women experiencing homelessness as well as the renovation of its Family Support Services building.

St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) is seeking support from SRP for the construction of the new Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission at their south Phoenix campus. This overall project involves renovating two existing buildings and constructing a new building. The Center will host over 14,000 community members and the volunteers who serve them each year, providing a space for individuals to receive meals, medical services, educational instruction, and case management. SVDP has secured \$10 million of the \$12 million needed for the Center and expects the construction of the Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission to be completed by the end of 2025. Staff recommends a contribution of \$150,000 to support this campaign to be paid out FY26-28.

Board Member: N/A

Comparatives:

 \$10 million of the \$12 million currently supported by individual and private family foundations

Organization: Teach for America - Phoenix

Amount Recommended: \$52,900

Description: Teach For America's vision is that one day, all students in this nation will have the opportunity to attain an excellent education. Their mission is to find, develop, and support a diverse network of leaders who expand opportunities for all children. They recruit, retain, and support a cohort of exceptional teachers for Arizona and provide world-class, responsive training to these leaders. Teachers will receive ongoing training and support over their initial two-year commitment - beginning with an innovative hybrid virtual summer training model, inperson components and continuing with intensive 1:1 coaching throughout the school year. Funding would support:

- Sponsor A Teacher program: bringing seven new STEM teachers to Arizona instead of other TFA regions.
- Annual Celebration Dinner: This evening celebrates the accomplishments of teachers and students across the Valley. All funds raised from this event support TFA programming in Arizona.
- Teach For America Alumni Summit: Over 300 local TFA alumni will gather for continued learning and connection.

Board Member: Alaina Chabrier

Comparatives:



BCBS of Arizona \$30,000
 Kitchell Corporation \$25,000
 APS \$10,000

Organization: University of Arizona Foundation: Arizona Project Wet

Amount Recommended: \$75,330

Description: Arizona Project WET supports water stewardship and science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics literacy by delivering educator professional development that advances instructional practice and deepens content knowledge. Projects supported through this funding include:

- SRP Academy: up to 40 educators representing a potential reach of approximately 1,800 students in 3rd -- 10th grades.
 - The SRP 5-day STEAM Academy provides immersion into SRP's systems and operations offering real-world STEAM application through tours, presentations, modeling of activities from the newest editions of Project WET's world-renowned curriculum guides, and deepening content knowledge on water management in Arizona.
- Multi-day Professional Development: up to 50 educators representing a potential reach of approximately 1,500 students across all grade levels.
 - Professional Development workshops are planned with school district science coordinators or curriculum specialists. They are designed to focus not just on integration of content but to highlight STEAM interests, areas of study, and career pathways as well as offer real-world applications.
- Direct Student Outreach: over 10,000 students joining Arizona Water Festivals, WSI: Water Scene Investigation, Planting for a Rainy Day, Groundwater, and place-based outreach programs.

Board Member: N/A

Comparatives:

• Arizona Water Company: between \$10,000 -- \$50,000

Central Arizona Project: <\$10,000
EPCOR Water: <\$10,000
Liberty Utilities: <\$10,000

Organization: Valley of the Sun United Way

Amount Recommended: \$135,000



Description: Valley of the Sun United Way (VSUW) is requesting SRP support the Housing Insecurity and Homelessness Prevention Initiative and sponsorship of the "We Are United" Luncheon. In 2021, VSUW launched the Mighty Change 2026 campaign, a five-year plan focused on support and programming for Health, Housing and Homelessness, Education, and Workforce Development in underrepresented, low-income, minority populations across Maricopa County. As part of this initiative, VSUW has a goal of reducing homelessness by 50% by 2026. Support of the campaign would help fund housing and homelessness programs focused on prevention and assistance, decreasing housing insecurity and supporting the emergency shelter system. According to the 2024 Point-In-Time (PIT) Homeless Count by the Maricopa Regional Continuum of Care, an estimated 9,642 Maricopa County residents are homeless. During the year 2023-24 program, across all Housing and Homelessness prevention activities that VSUW helped to fund served a total of 41,652 individuals.

For reference: In FY20, the Corporate Contributions Committee approved a reduction of corporate support to VSUW by \$200,000 to align with the Community Outreach Strategic Plan. In FY21, the VSUW corporate contribution was reduced by \$100,000. The remaining reduction of \$100,000 (scheduled to be made in \$50,000 increments) was approved to be delayed to FY24 and FY25 due to the increased need in the community because of the pandemic, therefore this request reflects the final \$50,000 reduction.

Board Member: Angie Bond-Simpson

Comparatives:

•	APS	\$440,000
•	Quick Trip	\$414,000
•	Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$250,000
•	Nationwide	\$110,000

Corporate Contributions Budget Summary

FY25 Valley Year-to-Date Actuals (May 1, 2024 – February 4, 2025)

Priority Area	Budget	YTD Actuals	Remaining Budget
Basic Needs	\$2,031,930	\$1,621,270	\$410,660
Education	\$1,520,698	\$1,072,792	\$447,906
Arts & Culture	\$716,500	\$624,354	\$92,146
Civic Engagement	\$334,000	\$244,200	\$89,800
Environmental	\$159,500	\$52,000	\$107,500



Organization

*Organization Category: Basic Needs

Official Name: ARIZONA ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

*Legal Name: Arizona Ecumenical Council dba Arizona Faith Network

*Address: PO Box 60953

Address 2:

*City: Phoenix

*State: Arizona

*Zip/Postal Code: 85082

*Main Telephone: 6024683818

*Main Email Address: contactus@azfaithnetwork.org

*Website Address: www.arizonafaithnetwork.org

*Executive Director Name: Rev. Katie Sexton
*Executive Director Phone Number: 623-237-2279

*Executive Director Email Address: Katie.Sexton@azfaithnetwork.org

Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2025-01-09)

Proposal Type: General Grant Application *Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Strategy:

Organization Category: Basic Needs

Type of Request: Board & Council

Purpose: Operating ExpensesProject Title: Extreme Heat Relief

In-Kind Request?: No

Request Amount: \$50,000.00 Requested Cash Amount: \$50,000.00

Cash Recommended:

In-Kind Recommended: \$0.00

Describe Mission/Geographic Impact :

The Extreme Heat Relief Program is a critical life-saving initiative in Maricopa County that focuses on expanding access to essential heat respite sites during the peak heating season. Led by the Arizona Faith Network (AFN), a nonprofit organization known for its commitment to community engagement, interfaith collaboration, and social progress, the program addresses the urgent needs of vulnerable residents facing extreme heat conditions. By establishing additional cooling and relief centers, the program ensures that more individuals receive the necessary support and shelter to stay safe.

AFN, with a diverse membership of over 4,900 individuals, including religious organizations and community leaders across Arizona, leverages its extensive network to mobilize meaningful action. Through this program, AFN continues its mission to promote peace, foster understanding, and enhance the overall well-being of the community.

Program/Project tie to SRP Goals:

The Extreme Heat Relief Program aligns with SRP's corporate giving goals and objectives by addressing vital community needs for basic well-being, public health, and safety during extreme heat conditions in Maricopa County. By expanding access to cooling and hydration stations, the program directly reduces the risks of heat-related illnesses and emergencies, fulfilling SRP's commitment to initiatives that safeguard community health and promote resilience.

Additionally, its collaboration with the Arizona Faith Network (AFN) reflects SRP's focus on fostering strategic partnerships. This partnership exemplifies SRP's dedication to supporting community-based organizations that drive meaningful social impact and positive change. Through this program, SRP reinforces its objective of investing in sustainable initiatives that improve quality of life and deliver lasting benefits for residents across Arizona.

Project/Program Description:

AFN fills a vital gap by providing life-saving heat relief services through cooling centers located in houses of worship across Maricopa County. Open during the heat season (May to September), these centers offer a safe, welcoming environment for community members and their pets. Guests receive access to cooling facilities, water, nutritious snacks, and connections to wrap-around services through community partnerships, ensuring essential respite for those enduring extreme temperatures.

What sets these heat respite centers apart is their unique approach--allowing guests to bring their pets and rest, including the opportunity to sleep, during the hottest months. Our cooling centers operate with a strict non-discrimination policy, welcoming individuals of all ages, races, religions, gender identities, sexual orientations, and family statuses. In addition, we follow CDC guidelines during health emergencies to maintain a safe environment. To foster inclusivity, proselytizing by any faith tradition is strictly prohibited.

Our staff undergo specialized training to administer naloxone for opioid overdoses and manage mental health crises, prioritizing the safety and well-being of all who seek relief at our centers.

Program Metrics:

To effectively track the impact of the Extreme Heat Relief Program, AFN will conduct daily check-ins at each center to record key metrics, including the number of visitors, their reasons for visiting, gender, age, and risk factors for heat illness or heat-related death. Special attention will be given to accurately documenting data for individuals experiencing homelessness, who represent a significant portion of those served. In addition to daily data collection, AFN will obtain quarterly feedback from its Community Advisory Board and gather information through Welcome Check-In surveys, where guests can provide demographic details and health status optionally. AFN will also conduct periodic surveys for community members who have utilized resilient hubs and perform semi-regular assessments to evaluate ongoing program effectiveness.

Community feedback is a vital component of the program's responsiveness, and AFN will actively engage with community leaders throughout the project to ensure evolving needs are met. AFN participates year-round in the Maricopa Association of Government's (MAG) Heat Relief Regional Network and Cooling Center Subgroup. In partnership with Arizona State University, this network facilitates collaboration among over 100 entities, including state, county, city, nonprofit, and faith-based organizations. AFN aims to expand the program's reach and effectiveness across Arizona by fostering coordination at every level.

The program has grown significantly, with visits increasing from over 25,000 in 2023 to 48,000 in 2024. Notably, 76% of visitors identified as experiencing homelessness, highlighting the program's critical role in serving highly vulnerable populations. Peak usage occurred in late July and August, with daily visitor counts exceeding 300. The highest single-day attendance was recorded on August 30, with 386 visitors. Demographic data indicates that most visitors are middle-aged males, a consistent trend across multiple locations. These metrics underscore AFN's essential role in addressing urgent community needs during the extreme heat season and guiding future enhancements to meet growing demand.

Intended Use of SRP Funds:

The SRP funds will support AFN's efforts to transform houses of worship into cooling centers, focusing on assisting faith-based organizations that serve low-income and historically redlined communities. The grant will specifically offset energy costs incurred by operating these cooling centers within SRP service areas, ensuring these critical resilience hubs remain accessible and sustainable throughout the heat season.

SRP Sponsorship Benefits:

SRP's sponsorship in 2025 provides valuable opportunities for visibility, engagement, and community recognition. SRP will be invited to participate in all AFN events and activities throughout the year, with the option to feature its logo on event materials and signage and host a table at AFN events. Additionally, SRP staff will have the opportunity to volunteer at AFN-operated Cooling Centers, where they can distribute educational materials and share information about SRP programs that benefit the community. In June 2025, SRP is also invited to join AFN's annual interfaith heat relief packing night, where volunteers will assemble heat relief kits. SRP's participation in this event will grant co-sponsorship recognition, further showcasing its commitment to addressing extreme heat challenges and supporting vulnerable communities. To ensure smooth coordination, SRP must provide its logo and promotional materials at least four weeks before events, confirm tabling participation two weeks prior, and coordinate volunteer involvement one month in advance. This partnership allows SRP to strengthen its community presence while actively supporting a vital initiative to protect public health and safety.

Other Sources of Funding:

AFN continuously raises yearly to sustain the Extreme Heat Relief Program. Support comes from diverse partners, including faith communities, local foundations, individuals, and regional denominations. Other key funders include APS, community foundations, charitable trusts, and individual donors who contribute to ensuring the program's long-term viability. AFN is deeply grateful for the support provided by these partners and remains committed to expanding its network of supporters each year to enhance program reach and impact.

Similar Organizations:

AFN stands out as a statewide organization composed of regionally-based faith bodies, allowing it to mobilize resources, leaders, and volunteers across Arizona for maximum impact. Since its founding, AFN has remained committed to serving the most vulnerable populations by addressing critical socio-economic needs and barriers. With deep-rooted relationships in local communities and extensive experience in environmental justice, AFN is uniquely equipped to lead the establishment of faith-based extreme heat cooling centers. Supported by a diverse membership of over 4,900 individuals, houses of worship, and faith leaders, AFN leverages collective strength to deliver comprehensive relief. Unlike many nonprofits that work independently, AFN operates as a united network, amplifying its reach and effectiveness in serving those most in need.

The Arizona Faith Network (AFN) is a dynamic and transformative statewide organization that brings together diverse faith communities to create impactful change across the state. With a robust network of over 4,900 dedicated individuals, houses of worship, and faith leaders, AFN harnesses this collective strength to address pressing socio-economic challenges faced by Arizona's most vulnerable populations.

Since its inception, AFN has been on a mission to uplift communities by breaking down critical barriers and meeting essential needs. Its deep-rooted relationships in local neighborhoods, coupled with extensive experience in environmental justice, uniquely position AFN to spearhead the establishment of faith-based extreme heat cooling centers. AFN understands the urgency of this initiative, especially as communities face the devastating impacts of extreme heat.

What sets AFN apart is its unwavering commitment to collaboration. Unlike many nonprofits that operate in isolation, AFN functions as an integrated network, pooling resources, leaders, and volunteers to maximize outreach and effectiveness. Together, AFN delivers comprehensive relief that meets immediate needs while empowering communities for long-lasting change.

Letter Signer & Title: Internal Comments:

Juana Hernandez, Community Stewardship Representative Sr. Operating support for the Extreme Heat Relief program. (\$50,000).

Attachments

In-Kind Supporting Documentation:

Current Year Budget: 2024-25 APPROVED BUDGET - BUDGET .pdf
Last Year's Budget: 2023-24 APPROVED BUDGET APPS.pdf

Program Budget: Project Budget-2.pdf **Audited Financial Statements:** Financial Reports.pdf

Board of Directors Listing: AFN Board of Directors List 2025.pdf

List of Corporate Contributors: Corporate Contributors.pdf

Additional Attachment (1):

Additional Attachment (2):

Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

Number of Events: 0
Custom Report:

Event 1 Name - Approved:

Event 1 Date - Approved:

Event 2 Name - Approved:

Event 2 Date - Approved:

Event 3 Name - Approved:

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Event 3 Date - Approved:

Is your payee information different than No your organization information that was previously provided?:

Payment

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No matches were found

Approval

Requested Amount: \$50,000.00 *Recommended Amount: \$50,000.00

Prior Approved Grants: •2021 - Extreme Heat Relief Cooling Stations - \$25,000.00

•2022 - Equipment Donation: 250 CamelBaks - \$8,750.00

•2022 - Pandemic Relief Support - \$10,000.00

•2022 - Cooling Centers - Extreme Heat - \$25,000.00

•2023 - Antibacterial Wipes - \$40.00

•2023 - Extreme Heat Relief Cooling Centers - \$25,000.00
•2024 - Heat Relief and Respite Project - \$25,000.00
•2025 - Extreme Heat Relief and Respite - \$25,000.00

Request Status: Pending

Approval Step 1: Owner Step Definition

Performed By: Karla Esparza / Community Engagement Strategist

Completed: 2025-01-15

Result: Defined

Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend

Performed By: Juana Hernandez / Sr. Representative Community Stewardship

Completed: 2025-01-21 Result: Recommended

Comments: Approved. Operating support for the Extreme Heat Relief program. (\$50,000).

February Committee Meeting

Approval Step 3: Request Owner Approval

Performed By: Completed: Result: Comments:

Contact

Salutation: Rev. *First Name: Katie

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CEO Last Name:

Mobile Phone:

CEO Email Address:

CEO Phone:

CEO Mobile Phone:

CEO/Executive Director Contact:

Person completing application:

Organization

*Organization Category: Education

Official Name: BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE VALLEY INC

*Legal Name: Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley

*Address: 4309 E Belleview St., Bldg 14

Address 2:

*City: Phoenix

*State: Arizona

*Zip/Postal Code: 85008-5409

*Main Telephone: 6023431247

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*Main Email Address: info@bgcaz.org

*Website Address: www.bgcaz.org

*Executive Director Name: Marcia Mintz

*Executive Director Phone Number: 602-343-1247

*Executive Director Email Address: marcia.mintz@bgcaz.org

Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2025-01-03)

Proposal Type: General Grant Application *Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Strategy:

Organization Category: Basic Needs

Type of Request: Board & Council

Purpose: Operating Expenses

Project Title: AZYouthforce and Stars Event Sponsorship

In-Kind Request?: No

Request Amount: \$45,000.00 Requested Cash Amount: \$45,000.00

Cash Recommended:

In-Kind Recommended: \$0.00

Describe Mission/Geographic Impact: Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley (BGCAZ) was established through the 2020 merger of

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Phoenix (founded 1946) and Boys & Girls Clubs of the East Valley (founded 1963). With this merger, BGCAZ became one of the ten largest Boys & Girls Clubs in the United States and the largest youth services provider in Arizona. Today we have 32 Club locations throughout the greater Phoenix metro area,

Yuma, and Kingman.

Since 1946, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley has been empowering young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible members of the community. Our vision is to be the premier out-of-school-time provider and leading voice for youth development in Arizona, ensuring that young people have the skills and resilience to successfully navigate childhood and prepare for

their adult lives.

BGCAZ serves over 12,000 young people in grades K-12 annually, who predominantly come from low-income households and neighborhoods. Many participants face a host of non-academic barriers that make learning and preparing for their futures more difficult. BGCAZ utilizes the Boys & Girls Clubs of America's Formula for Impact to help youth achieve four Priority Outcomes: Academic Success, including an emphasis on STEM learning, vital to 21st Century jobs; Healthy Lifestyles, emphasizing not only achieving physical health, but also risk-avoidance and the connection between mind and body; Good Character & Leadership, helping youth learn respect for self and others and providing opportunities to become good leaders; and Career Pathways & Workforce Readiness, providing opportunities to learn employment skills and explore a number of interesting career paths. Through our Priority Outcomes and programs, Club members have access to the resources and network of support necessary to reach their full potential in school, in work, and in life.

During the 23-24 Fiscal Year, Boys & Girls Club of the Valley (BGCAZ) served 10,965 youth, ages 5--18; 81% identified as persons of color, 63% lived with a single parent or a caregiver other than a biological parent, and 36% lived in families with income 100% of the Federal Poverty Level or below. The Seidman Research Institute of the W.P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University conducted an Independent Economic Impact Study to assess the value of BGCAZ to the local community. They report that, for every \$1 invested in BGCAZ, \$15.60 in positive economic benefits accrue to the community. Further, they reported that "Every time a parent is able to keep their job as a result of BGCAZ, on average, \$32,018 in income is generated in the community. This, in turn, could reduce the burden of social programs on taxpayers, and potentially improve the quality of life for families."

Program/Project tie to SRP Goals:

SRP's belief in a sustainable and vibrant future for all is in directly aligned with Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley's mission to empower young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible members of the community. A vibrant future for all people is not possible without helping young people reach their full potential. Further, BGCAZ has Four Priority Outcomes that touch on all three of SRP's giving priorities--Basic Needs, Community Education, and Community Enrichment.

Basic Needs: Through our programs, particularly those related to our Healthy Lifestyles Outcome, young people can participate in programs that promote personal development and positive life choices. In addition, a core component of our programing is to provide our Club members with nutritious meals and snacks, as nearly half participate in the National School Lunch Program to receive free or reduced cost meals.

Community Education: Academic Success is a Priority Outcome that every Club member engages with during a visit to a Club. All Boys & Girls Clubs offer academic enrichment programs, including STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) initiatives, homework help, financial literacy, and summer programs to prevent summer learning loss. Further, our Career Pathways & Workforce Readiness Priority Outcome focuses on identifying and exploring career interests from a young age and then creating opportunities to develop the skills necessary to be successful in future careers.

Community Enrichment: Through our Good Character & Leadership Priority Outcome, we engage with our members to model the importance of giving back to the community. We equip our youth and teens with the tools they need to become responsible, caring adults and active, participating members of the community by offering character development and leadership skills programs.

Specific to this grant application, AZYouthforce is a workforce development program helping teens identify interests and learn how they can apply these skills to the workplace for their future. Youth selected for the program have customized, paid internship opportunities through AZYouthforce and explore a variety of careers and pathways, developing their own personalized plan for success. Through this program, especially, BGCAZ helps ensure the growth of the future workforce.

Specific to this event sponsorship request, the Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars event honors the achievements of our young people who truly embody and live out BGCAZ's Four Priority Outcomes. Every young person comes to BGCAZ with their own story and lived experiences. Every Club member leaves with a supportive community that has helped them prepare for a vibrant future. Yarieliz, the 2024 Youth of the Year, had this to say about her time with BGCAZ, "When I arrived at the Club, I realized I wasn't alone. The Club welcomed me with open arms, and I found my new family."

Project/Program Description:

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley's AZYouthforce is a workforce development program designed to help low-income, at-risk youth identify their interests while learning basic employment skills; then take their new skills to the workplace in a career of interest through an immersive internship experience.

Arizona's current high school graduation rate of 78% continues to be lower than the national average. Graduation is a determinant of success that can lead to better health outcomes and financial stability. Without the affordable programming that BGCAZ provides, many young people would not have access to the resources and network of support necessary to reach their full potential in school, in work, and in life. AZYouthforce is helping young people reach their potential.

Participants begin the program by attending the AZYouthforce Academy, a 30-hour program centered on resume writing, career mapping, and post-secondary education planning. Youth are then placed in an internship under the mentorship of a company sponsor. Some companies providing internship opportunities include Bank of America, Haskins Electric, Phoenix Suns and Footprint Center, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office, and Safelite AutoGlass. Through this 120-hour paid internship experience, participants gain real-world work experience while identifying and discerning their interest in a potential career. Participants also have access to BGCAZ staff during, and for one year after, the program for advising and resource support.

AZYouthforce is creating opportunities for young people to prepare for their futures by gaining skills and building positive relationships. Annais, a former program participant said, "I'd never thought about working in a bank. My AZYouthforce internship opened my eyes to so many possibilities and I learned so much from my mentor. I'm now considering a career in finance or business!"

Program Metrics:

Through AZYouthforce, BGCAZ intends to serve 215 young people throughout the greater Phoenix area who are looking to further their career preparation through intentional training and internship opportunities. General demographics of our AZYouthforce participants are as follows:

Gender:

44% Female

55% Male

1% Transgender

Age:

75% High School Aged (14-18)

25% Young Adult (19-25)

Race/Ethnicity:

19% African American

5% Asian

1.5% Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

57.5% Hispanic or Latino

1% Multi-Racial

1% Native American

1% Other

14% White

The success of AZYouthforce is measured using quantitative and qualitative data that are collected through staff observations, participant and parent discussions, and preand post-surveys that are recorded in our database, TraxSolutions, by program staff. Specific metrics captured include the number of internships completed, number of contact hours completed by youth in roles, and total wages earned.

Targeted outputs for the AZYouthforce Program include:

215 teens will receive outreach in the form of career exploration and training.

175 teens will complete the AZYouthforce Academy.

125 teens will complete a paid internship experience through AZYouthforce after completing the Academy.

Specific program outcomes include:

90% of teens completing AZYouthforce Academy will improve communications, critical thinking, teamwork, and financial literacy as demonstrated by responses to pre- and post-surveys conducted at the beginning and conclusion of Academy.

90% of AZYouthforce teens completing paid internships will indicate increased knowledge regarding workplace performance as indicated by a post-internship survey.

90% of AZYouthforce teens will graduate high school on time with a post-secondary plan of either attending college or trade school, military service, or employment. Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley respectfully requests an award of \$45,000 to be

allocated as follows:

\$2,500 to cover the annual board dues of SRP employee Freddie Dobbins, Senior Engineer.

\$10,000 to sponsor the 2025 annual Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars gala event at the "Whatever It Takes" sponsorship level.

\$32,500 to be used to support staffing and program services for the AZYouthforce teen workforce development program fully explained in this proposal.

BGCAZ appreciates the steadfast and loyal support provided by SRP. We thank you for your consideration of this request and look forward to continuing our partnership to ensure opportunities for our community's future workforce.

Sponsorship benefits at the \$10,000 level for the Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars event

SRP Sponsorship Benefits:

Intended Use of SRP Funds:

-A table for 10 at the event.

include:

- -Identifying signage for your table.
- -Admission for 10 guests to the After Party.
- -A quarter-page ad in the event program.
- -Print recognition at the event.
- -Recognition on the Stars event webpage.

To receive full benefits, all collateral materials would be due to BGCAZ by January 31, 2025.

Other Sources of Funding:

Organizations providing financial support for AZYouthforce include APS, Arizona Community Foundation, Bank of America, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Chandler Compadres, FOX Sports, New York Life, and Ten Figures -- Justin Bayless. In addition to the organizations supporting AZYouthforce through financial investments, BGCAZ is grateful for the companies that provide internship and mentorship opportunities for our interns. Some organizations offering internships through AZYouthforce, in addition to those previously mentioned in the application, include Jiffy Lube, Diversified Roofing, Google, Gateway Community College, AAA Landscaping, and Arizona Sustainability Alliance.

Similar Organizations:

Schools and other out-of-school program providers may conduct similar services to Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley. Some of these providers include the Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence, YMCA, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and various for-profit academic tutoring centers. However, BGCAZ's programming and approach differs from theirs in several ways. We address not only the academic needs of youth, but also their emotional, safety, empowerment, self-esteem, and other needs. Clubs offer a host of academic programs, including robotics, videography, arts, positive life skills development, fitness, and many more that meet the interests of every youth served. We also provide healthy meals and snacks, engaging youth in nutrition education programming.

BGCAZ keeps its membership fees well below market rates, helping youth who are low-income participate. We also can waive fees for families who simply cannot afford the fee through the generosity of many donors. We are also unique in that our hours of operation reflect the needs of our communities and parents who work late, something no similar agency does.

Letter Signer & Title:

Juana Hernandez, Community Stewardship Representative Sr.

Internal Comments:

Operating support for the staffing and program services for the AZYouthforce teen workforce development program (\$32,500); Sponsor the Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars event (\$10,000) on March 1, 2025; and Annual Board Dues of SRP Employee

(\$2,500).

Attachments

In-Kind Supporting Documentation:

Sponsorship Packet: BGCAZ_STARS Sponsorship Package_2025.pdf

Current Year Budget: BGCAZ_FY2025 Operating Budget.pdf

Last Year's Budget: BGCAZ_FY2024 Budget & Audited Statement of Activities.pdf

Program Budget: BGCAZ_FY2025 Workforce & Career Preparation Program Budget and Stars Event

Budget.pdf

Audited Financial Statements: BGCAZ_FY2024 Audited Financial Statements.pdf

Board of Directors Listing: BGCAZ_2024-2025 Board of Directors.pdf

List of Corporate Contributors: BGCAZ_Corporate Donors List.pdf

Additional Attachment (1):

Additional Attachment (2):

Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

Number of Events: 1

Event One

Event 1 Event Name: Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars

Event 1 Date: 2025-03-01

The event will be held at the Arizona Biltmore, 2400 E. Missouri Avenue, Phoenix, AZ **Event 1 Location:**

> 85016. The event begins with a hosted reception at 5:30 p.m. The dinner and program begin at 6:30 followed by a 9:00 p.m. After Party. The 2025 event will once again be a sneaker ball. Attendees are encouraged to wear sneakers with cocktail attire. The gala

celebrates the BGCAZ Youth of the Year.

Event 1 Number of Attendees: 800

Event 1 Cash Requested: 10000 **Event 1 In-Kind Requested:**

Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars is our annual gala celebrating the Youth of the Year, as **Event 1 Other Event Info:** well as all our Club members. The gala features a spectacular evening of fine food, an astounding live auction with world-class trips and unique experiences, and one of the most extensive silent auctions in Arizona. The gala is a culmination of the Celebrating Youth Event, honoring the remarkable achievements of BGCAZ youth selected by their Club staff as their Youth of the Year representative, one of whom will be honored as the 2025 Youth of the Year at the Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars event. In addition to honoring the Youth of the Year, the 2025 event honors Glenn Pahnke, a long time

BGCAZ supporter.

Your \$10,000 "Whatever It Takes Sponsorship" provides a table for 10 guests, inclusion in the After Party, a quarter-page ad in the event program, the SRP logo prominently displayed on your table, print recognition at the event, and recognition on the Stars event webpage.

SRP Volunteer Opportunities? 1:

Event 1 Net Proceeds Previous Year: \$3,423,436.00

Event 1 Other Event Sponsors:

Event 1 Other Sponsors and Dollar

Amount: When this application was submitted, sponsors included:

Title Sponsorship (\$100,000)

-Amplify Capital Group

Presenting Sponsorship (\$50,000)

- -Coronado West
- -General Dynamics Mission Systems
- -Wells Fargo

Youth of the Year Sponsorship (\$25,000)

- -APS
- -AZ Diamondbacks
- -Insight
- -Lockton
- -Phoenix Scaffolding and Equipment, Inc.
- -Sands Chevrolet
- -Universal Technical Institute

Priority Outcomes Sponsorship (\$15,000)

- -BOK Financial
- -Cox Communications
- -IHeartMedia
- -March Mclennan
- -PNC Bank
- -Sean Waltz/Merrill Lynch

Whatever It Takes Sponsorship (\$10,000)

- -Michael Basil/First Trust
- -Commit Agency
- -CopperPoint Insurance
- -Diversified Roofing
- -Ernst & Young
- -Pat & Gayle Ray
- -Weiss Brown

Direct Contribution

-Alliance Bank of Arizona

Event 1 Promo Booth: No

Custom Report:

Event 1 Name - Approved:

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Approval

Requested Amount: \$45,000.00 *Recommended Amount: \$47,500.00

Prior Approved Grants: •2013 - - \$5,000.00

•2015 - - \$5,000.00 •2016 - - \$15,000.00 •2016 - - \$15,000.00 •2016 - - \$5,000.00

•2018 - Summer Programming and Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars Event - \$15,000.00

•2019 - Summer Programming and Today's Kids, Tomorrow's Stars Event - \$15,000.00

•2020 - Youth Summer Programming - \$15,000.00

•2020 - COVID-19 Relief Funds - \$20,000.00

•2021 - Dollars for Doers Grant - \$250.00

•2021 - Academic Success - \$40,000.00

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•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - $458.00
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- 2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$639.38
- •2023 SRP Hispanic Heritage Month Recognition Event Contribution \$2,500.00
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Request Status: Pending

Approval Step 1: Owner Step Definition

Performed By: Karla Esparza / Community Engagement Strategist

Completed: 2025-01-15
Result: Defined

Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend

Performed By: Juana Hernandez / Sr. Representative Community Stewardship

Completed: 2025-01-21

Result: Recommended

Comments: Approved.

CPS (\$45,000)

Operating support for the AZYouthforce program (\$35,000); Sponsor the Today's Kids,

Tomorrow's Stars event on March 1, 2025 (\$10,000)

CPE Board Dues (\$2,500)

Annual board dues for Chris Dobson (\$2,500)

February Committee Meeting

Approval Step 3: Request Owner Approval

Performed By:

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Organization

*Organization Category: Basic Needs

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Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2025-01-10)
Proposal Type: Capital Campaign Grant Application

*Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Organization Category: Basic Needs

Type of Request: Board & Council

Purpose: Capital

Project Title: Legacy Village

Request Amount: \$0.00
*Requested Cash Amount: \$0.00

Cash Recommended:

Programs and Accomplishments

Statement:

Our staff and community at Family Promise -- Greater Phoenix have dedicated the last 25 years to serving more than 2,000 Valley families through shelter and other basic needs. This includes roughly 150 families each year since expanding beyond a single Valley site in 2019. Family Promise now has four sites with a fifth involving our first capital campaign.

We were founded in 1998 as a community solution to homelessness. We harnessed the power of group volunteers based at area faith congregations to provide home-like meals, lodging, and genuine connection for our families each evening.

Every morning, we transport families back to our Family Day Centers. They serve as home base of our longstanding Emergency Shelter Program. Our 11-member Shelter Support Team across four Valley sites provides all other hygiene essentials, case management, cash flow training, and resources that lead families to stability within 60 days. Our hardworking families have a 70% success rate into housing.

For families who move from our shelter into our communal apartments before venturing out on their own, the success rate is even better: 85% into sustainable housing. We have 14 years of experience managing up to three communal apartment units in south Scottsdale. Our pending capital project seeks to replicate that success with six apartment units in Glendale.

Family Promise's core efforts remain shelter, but we have added other programs to further support parents and children on their journey to self-sufficiency. When we saw families willing to sleep in their car, disconnected from social services to keep their pet, we added a Pet Program. We were the first Family Promise nationwide and the first local family shelter to become pet-friendly. We shelter 25-44 pets (dogs, cats, other creatures) each year.

We revamped and diversified our Graduate Program the last couple of years. It now has 102 families who have graduated from shelter and opt for two years of additional stabilization support. They receive regular communication, resources, monthly food boxes, gifts for kids, and one-time monetary support if needed.

Child-focused programs at Family Promise include Read to Succeed and Shoes of Love. The latter ensures each child has a chance to experience the value of voice and choice by letting them pick out their own shoes online. We want kids to know that they can be their own advocate regardless of their life's circumstance.

We launched the Family Promise Prevention Program during the pandemic. It continues to help with rent/utilities to proactively keep families in their homes and prevent homelessness. We also support our families as they graduate from shelter by providing a portion of move-in costs. Either avenue allows us to provide basic needs for families that move them toward self-sufficiency at just \$1,500 per household.

Capital Campaign Statement:

There are four key aspects to our "A Journey Home" capital campaign. These include: expanding graduate and homeless prevention programs, building improvements, operations protection, and opening Legacy Village as next-step housing for shelter clients. The Legacy Village Project within the campaign is where we are seeking support.

The capital campaign to finish Legacy Village, Family Promise's first affordable housing project, showcases SRP's "support for Basic Needs" giving priority. Legacy Village fulfills two of SRP's goals within that:

*Provide food, shelter and safety from violence or crises

*Enable children to participate in programs that promote personal development and positive life choices

Legacy Village will become part of our Family Promise Emergency Shelter Program when it opens in early 2025. It provides next-step housing for families who are employed and have moved out of extreme crisis mode. These families still need housing support and case management in order to better position themselves for permanent housing within 90 days.

Our capital project keeps families safe from re-entering the crisis of homelessness by providing housing and case management. Basic needs include furnished housing and a tiered rent system.

We expect resident families to provide their own food to practice balancing their budget against rent and income while under our care. We will offer food boxes upon graduation and monthly for up to two years.

Legacy Village is built with physical and emotional safety in mind for our resident families. It features perimeter fencing to better corral kids and playground equipment. There is a centralized entryway through Family Promise offices with customized codes and there are locked entrances into each unit.

Children's programming will mirror what we offer at our shelter sites to promote positive life choices. A Read to Succeed Program has preschool children through high schoolers engaged in weekly literacy efforts. Storytime, discussions, and related activities challenge young minds to positive ways of thinking and acting. A Shoes of Love program lets every child pick out a brand-new pair of shoes online that reflects their style to demonstrate the power of voice and choice.

We will continue our longstanding partnerships with neighborhood Boys & Girls Club branches. It ensures school-aged children have a safe space for homework and peer activities in the afternoons. Children benefit from the club's personal development and leadership program (eg, study habits, literacy, STEM, and wellness). Peer interaction is crucial for social emotional learning among school-age kids.

Since our families will be more settled than when at one of our shelter sites, we hope to strengthen our partnership with ActivStars Athletics to sponsor Family Promise scholarships for after school sports and other organized activities. Family stability at Legacy Village will also better foster mentorship opportunities through JCSupercars.com. This group teaches auto mechanics to teen boys, especially those of single moms, and provides other manly mentoring.

Location and Description:

Legacy Village, our first affordable housing project, is located in Glendale near 59th Ave. and Bethany Home Road. It sits in the Valley's worst zip code for eviction filings, 85301, and is uniquely on leased church property, yet has its own address and management.

Since Legacy Village will serve low-income families who do not always have their own transportation, it is strategically near major bus lines. A grocery store and park are 5-13-minute walks. Schools are 1-1.5 miles away.

While the proximity is helpful, we envision families treasuring their time at home. Legacy Village is a furnished, six-unit complex of two-bedroom homes built from new shipping containers. Construction is nearing completion and some stakeholder tours were already given, including interested media.

The housing units have a staggered design with two rows of three units all facing a landscaped interior courtyard. One row features 640 square-foot housing units where a pair of families have a private bedroom and communal living spaces. The other row is for single families as they transition to self-sufficiency. Commercial-grade appliances will extend the life of each unit as Legacy Village will serve 36 families per year at capacity.

A seventh unit houses Family Promise offices, a community laundry room, and a centralized private entry into the village. Solar panels on top of each unit will offset 100% of energy costs. The 1.2-acre property already has a sport court and playground awaiting Legacy Village's first young residents. A shaded, communal courtyard will gather parents as they supervise their kids.

The property's exterior also features Gabion pillars with wire/cage-like framing. Church volunteers painted affirming messages on hundreds of rocks and manually filled dozens of the 7-foot-tall pillars that circle the village. These volunteers have helped shelter and feed past Family Promise clients by hosting them overnight one week at a time at their facility. Supporting Legacy Village was their way of concretely helping our families take the next housing step in their journey to self-sufficiency.

Project/Program Description:

Campaign Goals:

Legacy Village is part of the "A Journey Home" capital campaign for Family Promise. The Village is a \$1.7M project. We had hoped to open by late 2024, but there have been delays. The first part of electrical was approved in late Nov. 2024.

Our remaining goals are to:

*Complete and furnish the affordable housing village by 1/31/25.

*Outfit the laundry room with commercial-grade machines.

*Launch the public portion of the capital campaign to begin in Q1 of 2025.

*Finish funding the project because we have used money from operations.

LEED Certification:

Percentage of Board Members:

60% of the Family Promise Board of Directors has contributed/pledged to the campaign.

Three board members joined in 2024, two of them in Q4. They all have steadily supported Family Promise through past events and tax credits, but have not yet pledged to the campaign.

Executive Director Name:

Executive Director Phone Number:

Executive Director Email Address:

Letter Signer & Title: Juana Hernandez, Community Stewardship Representative Sr. Capital Campaign Request for Legacy Village Housing Project. **Internal Comments:**

Scheduled for Committee?

Attachments

Community Need Letter: FP - Community Need Letter.pdf

Campaign Budget: FP - Campaign Budget.pdf

Campaign Commitments: FP - Campaign Commitments.pdf

Board of Directors and Affiliations: FP - Board of Directors 2024.pdf

Most Recent Audited Financials: FP - Audit 2023.pdf

List of Capital Campaign Leadership/ FP - Campaign Leadership.pdf **Committee Leaders:**

Additional Attachment (1):

Additional Attachment (2):

Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

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Requested Amount: \$0.00
*Recommended Amount: \$50,000.00
Prior Approved Grants: •2017 - - \$250.00

•2020 - Family Promise Emergency Shelter Program - \$5,000.00 •2021 - Family Promise-Emergency Shelter Program - \$5,000.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$668.00
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- Approval Step 1: Owner Step Definition
 - Performed By: Karla Esparza / Community Engagement Strategist
 - Completed: 2025-01-13
 Result: Defined
- Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend
- Performed By: Juana Hernandez / Sr. Representative Community Stewardship

Completed: 2025-01-21

Result: Recommended

Comments: Approved. Capital campaign support for the Legacy Village (\$50,000)

February Committee Meeting

Approval Step 3: Request Owner Approval

Performed By: Completed: Result: Comments:

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Organization

*Organization Category: Education

Official Name: MARICOPA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT FOUNDATION

*Legal Name: Maricopa Community Colleges Foundation

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Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2025-01-06)

Proposal Type: General Grant Application *Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Strategy:

Organization Category: Education

Type of Request: Annual

Purpose: Operating Expenses

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Project Title: 2025 Sponsorships and STEM Program Support

In-Kind Request?: No

Request Amount: \$58,240.00 Requested Cash Amount: \$58,240.00

Cash Recommended:

In-Kind Recommended: \$0.00

Describe Mission/Geographic Impact:

The Maricopa County Community Colleges District Foundation (MCCF) was established in 1977 as the 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization designated by the Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD) to receive and manage gifts and grants on behalf of its 10 colleges. MCCF has a GuideStar Platinum level Seal of Transparency.

Our goal is student success. We achieve this goal by working with MCCCD to offer wrap-around support services (including emergency food, transportation and housing assistance) to remove barriers to higher education. To that end, MCCF actively seeks gifts and grants from a variety of private sources including individuals, corporations, and private foundations.

MCCF has a VISION that everyone has the opportunity to improve their lives through education. MCCF works to fulfill this vision with its MISSION to boldly impact the community through innovative and strategic partnerships for the growth and benefit of the Maricopa Community Colleges, its students, faculty, and staff.

Awarding scholarships is the most rewarding work that we do and the Foundation has awarded more than \$48 million in scholarships to deserving students.

The Maricopa County Community Colleges District (MCCCD), established in 1962, is dedicated to educational excellence and to meeting the needs of Maricopa County citizens and businesses. MCCCD consists of 10 independently accredited colleges, two skill centers, a corporate college, two college prep high schools, and centers and satellite locations. MCCCD provides personalized education opportunities to over 100,000 students each year, and has special transfer partnerships with more than 40 institutions, including the three public universities. We focus on career readiness to help today's students achieve their academic goals and successfully gain employment.

In the most recent economic impact study conducted for the fiscal year 2016-17, MCCCD added \$7.2 billion in income and 96,209 jobs to the Maricopa County economy, the equivalent of 3% of the total gross regional product of Maricopa County.

Program/Project tie to SRP Goals:

We value SRP's annual partnership in fulfilling our mutual objectives to help our future workforce grow through programs that focus on STEM education, job-readiness and employment skills.

Like SRP, our programs aim to make the community a better place by developing the leaders of tomorrow and improving the local economy by providing local industry with a well-trained talent pipeline.

MCCCD programs and partnerships reach students in the K-12 systems to increase high school graduation rates, college readiness, and successful entry into community college and 4-year universities.

Local industry partnerships serve to inform curriculum, provide meaningful internships, employment skills and job-readiness activities, and promote equity in opportunity through scholarships and other support of low income and underserved student populations.

Project/Program Description:

Descriptions and goals for the following:

2025 Heroes of Education/Greatest Needs Funds

2025 Girls Get IT

2025 Fast Track Certificate Program

4% Grant Administration

1) 2025 Heroes of Education/Greatest Needs Funds - \$16,000

The Heroes of Education on November 13, 2025 will recognize champions of education in Arizona at a high-profile event at the Heard Museum. Two main awards are given, one to an Individual and the other a corporation, honoring those who have a proven personal and professional commitment to supporting students and education. Additionally, 10 College Heroes will be honored virtually during the evening, representing each of the Maricopa Community Colleges. Support will go directly to students.

2) 2025 Girls Get IT (GGIT) - \$20,000

Support for the 2025 GGIT program supporting both East and West Valley Maricopa Community Colleges:

Girls Get IT East Valley colleges: \$15,000 to support the logistics to host the event at either Scottsdale or Mesa Community College. Serves approx. 150 junior high or high school young women.

Girls Get IT West Valley colleges: \$5,000 to support the logistics to host the event at either Glendale or Estrella Mountain Community College. Serves approx. 80 junior high or high school young women

The goal of the annual Maricopa Community Colleges Girls Get IT events is to introduce students, primarily from Title 1 schools across the East and West valley, to the many career possibilities in the field of Information Technology (IT). Through interactive workshops, attendees learn about emerging technologies and the full range of educational programs and in-demand professional opportunities available in IT, including cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, web application design, object-oriented software development and more.

Keynote speakers are ethnically diverse women working in exciting STEM career fields who share stories of the amazing journey that brought them to this point, inspiring attendees to see themselves as successful in STEM too.

In addition to student participants, more than 50 professional women, including software engineers, web designers, program developers and data analysts, provide insight, through their own lived experiences and encouragement to those considering a path in IT. The IT professionals engage in community-building conversations to further strengthen the talent pipeline for women in the field.

Expenses related to hosting the Girls Get IT event include securing a venue, providing bus transportation for students to attend, meals, snacks, swag bags, T-shirts, marketing and promotional material, printing, furniture and equipment rental, A/V and other event-related expenses.

Faculty, staff and community volunteers donate their time to organize and execute the event.

SRP's generous support will be recognised in the 2025 events and in related marketing and promotional materials.

3) Fast Track Certificate Program - \$20,000

The Maricopa Community Colleges working with industry partners has developed Fast Track certifications to train students in relevant skills used in some of the hottest, indemand jobs in Arizona allowing students the ability to step into vital jobs and be hired as quickly as possible.

The majority of the Fast Track certificates do not require previous coursework or requisites to register.

Over 80 Fast Track certifications are available in 5 Fields of Interest:

Applied Technology (7 options in Automotive Repair)

Behavioral Sciences & Human Services (11 options including Homeland Security and Law Enforcement)

Business, Entrepreneurialism, and Management (7 options)

Computer & Information Technology (23 options including Blockchain Technology and Network Admin.)

Health Sciences (13 options including Electrocardiogram Technician and Nurse Assisting)

Visual & Performing Arts (5 options)

Over 2,000 individuals have inquired about obtaining a Fast Track Certification with 1,744 applications received thus demonstrating a high demand for the program. Since the certificates are not eligible for Federal Financial Aid, there is a strong financial need as well.

Support of the Fast Track Certifications by SRP would provide tuition stipends for up to 40 students to complete a certification. Stipends range from \$510 - \$1,257 per student depending on credit hours needed to complete the certification.

Benefits:

Get certified in 15 credit hours or less

Be ready to work in months or weeks -- not years

Add new certifications to become more skilled and in demand, increase workplace value and pay.

A recent polling within EMSI, showed that SRP has a need for positions in IT, accounting, data analytics, management, and project management related fast-track certifications.

Program Metrics: 2025 Heroes of Education event Metrics

Total amount raised Number of donors Number of attendees

2025 Girls Get IT Metrics

Target population: Primarily 250 female students from Title 1 schools in the East and West Valley

Number of participants attending the GGIT East Valley Event

Number of participants attending the GGIT West Valley Event

2025 Fast Track Certificate Program Metrics

Target population: Up to 40 students needing tuition stipends to access the program.

Number of stipend recipients.

Number of certificates completed by stipend recipients.

Names of certificates completed

Curated collection of impact statements written by stipend recipients

Intended Use of SRP Funds: SRP funds will support:

2025 Heroes of Education/Greatest Needs Funds: \$16,000 in direct support to students with recognition as an event sponsor at the Heroes of Education.

2025 Girls Get IT: \$20,000 Two STEM Program Sponsorships in the East and West Valley. Support covers venue costs, transportation, food, swag bags, T-shirts, marketing and promotional material, printing, furniture rental, and other program related expenses.

2025 Fast Track Certificate Program: \$20,000 Tuition stipends for up to 40 students.

4% Foundation fee for Grant Administration: \$2,400

SRP Sponsorship Benefits:

2025 Heroes of Education Sponsorship Benefits - Silver level sponsorship of \$10,000 includes SRP Logo placement on foundation website; Mention in Foundation Update newsletter (200,000+ distribution); Name in event press release, and recognition in The Maricopan District newsletter (10,000+ distribution.)

2025 Girls Get IT support recognition

SRP's \$15,000 Sponsorship of the East Valley GGIT Program will be recognised in 2025 events and in related marketing and promotional materials:

Name on screen during opening session

Name on program

Name on t-shirts for all participants

Signage in courtyard around workshop rooms

Opportunity to have workshop room named in honor of your organization

Opportunity to include your own branded item in swag bag

Podium recognition during Lunch and Learn with students and industry professionals

SRP \$5,000 Gold Sponsorship support of the West Valley GGIT Program will receive the following benefits and recognition:

Name on screen during opening session

Name on program

Name on t-shirts for all participants (300+)

Signage in courtyard around workshop rooms

Opportunity to have workshop room named in honor of your organization

Opportunity to include your own branded item in swag bag

2025 Fast Track Certificate Program support recognition

Stipend Support of \$20,000 for the Fast Track Certifications by SRP will be recognized in the marketing and promotional materials.

Other Sources of Funding:

Requests for sponsorship support are in the initial stages, and will include: Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Arizona Community Foundation, Arizona Diamondbacks, Arizona Federal Credit Union, Arizona Public Service, Arizona Republic, Arizona State University Foundation, Arizona State University President's Office, Atmosphere Commercial, Bank of America, Be A Leader Foundation, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona, CampusWorks, Chicanos Por La Causa, Carstens Family Funds, Desert Diamond Casinos & Entertainment, DFDG Architecture, Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Fnd, Gensler, Gouldevans Canary, Grand Canyon University, Helios Education Foundation, Hensley Beverage Company, imagine Technology Group, Kitchell, KPMG, Lewis Roca Rothgerber Christie, Maricopa Colleges

Faculty Foundation, McCarthy Building Companies Inc., MSS Business Transformation, Northern Trust, Off Madison Ave, LLC, Okland Construction Corporation, Phoenix College, Salt

River Project, Scottsdale Community College, SmithGroup, State Farm, Steelcase Education, The Arizona Republic, Triadvocates, Vmware/carahsoft, Wells Fargo, and others.

Similar Organizations:

MCCF is the only organization in the area that supports fundraising and scholarships for all ten Maricopa County Community Colleges and their students/programs.

Letter Signer & Title: Internal Comments: Kelli Rael, Community Stewardship Representative Sr.

Operating support for the 2025 Girls Get IT: Two STEM Program Sponsorships in the East and West Valley (\$20,000); Operating support for the 2025 Fast Track Certificate Program: Tuition stipends for up to 40 students (\$20,000); Sponsor the 2025 Heroes of Education event (\$16,000) on November 13, 2025; and 4% Foundation fee for Grant

Administration (\$2,400).

Attachments

In-Kind Supporting Documentation:

Sponsorship Packet: Heroes of Education 2025 Sponsorship Levels.pdf

Current Year Budget: MCCF Board Approved Operating Budget FY24_25.pdf

Last Year's Budget: MCCF Board approved Operating Budget 2023-2024.pdf

Program Budget: 2025 SRP Grant Budget.pdf

Audited Financial Statements: Audited Financial-Statment year end June 2023.pdf

Board of Directors Listing: MCCF Board_Photos_June_2024.pdf

List of Corporate Contributors: MCCF Corporate Contributions 2023-2024.pdf

Additional Attachment (1):

Additional Attachment (2):

Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

Number of Events: 1

Event One

Event 1 Event Name: 2025 Heroes of Education

Event 1 Date: 2025-11-13

Event 1 Location: Heard Museum, 2301 N Central Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85004

Event 1 Number of Attendees: 482
Event 1 Cash Requested: 16000
Event 1 In-Kind Requested: 0
Event 1 Other Event Info: None
SRP Volunteer Opportunities? 1: Yes

Event 1 Net Proceeds Previous Year: \$150,000.00

Event 1 Other Event Sponsors: Yes

Event 1 Other Sponsors and Dollar

Amount: Ak-Chin Indian Community \$5,000

AZ Republic/AZCentral, \$5,000

Event 1 Promo Booth: No

Custom Report:

Event 1 Name - Approved:

Event 1 Date - Approved:

Event 2 Name - Approved:

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Event 3 Name - Approved:

Event 3 Date - Approved:

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Requested Amount: \$58,240.00 *Recommended Amount: \$58,400.00

•2014 - - \$5,000.00 **Prior Approved Grants:**

•2014 - - \$10,000.00

•2014 - - \$0.00

•2014 - - \$0.00

•2015 - - \$10,000.00

•2015 - - \$4,000.00

•2015 - - \$1,200.00

•2016 - - \$15,000.00

•2016 - - \$1,200.00

•2016 - - \$2,000.00

•2017 - - \$15,000.00

•2018 - Heidi Schaefer Board Dues - \$1,200.00

•2018 - 30th Anniversary Gala Tickets - \$230.00

•2018 - 4th Annual Tea and Silent Auction Fundraiser - \$1,000.00

•2019 - Heroes of Education, Four College Events, and In-kind Printing of the Annual

Report - \$17,019.55

- 2020 Powering 100 Years of STEAM Education, and In-kind Printing \$17,499.30
- •2020 Heidi Schaefer Tickets: Runway to Success \$250.00
- •2020 Sponsor Glendale Community College Skills USA Competitions \$2,000.00
- •2021 Dollars for Doers Grant \$250.00
- 2021 Heroes of Education Platinum Sponsor and In-kind Services \$27,188.00
- •2022 Board Dues Geri Mingura \$1,500.00
- •2022 2022 STARS Gala Sponsorship \$3,000.00
- •2023 Geri Mingura Gift (Board Dues) \$1,500.00
- •2023 Sponsorships and STEM Program Support \$52,520.00
- •2024 2024 Sponsorships and STEM Program Support \$55,000.00
- •2024 Equipment Donation Electric Vehicle (EV) \$15,000.00
- •2025 South Mountain Community College Verna McClain Student Emergency Fund Reception - \$1,000.00

Request Status: Pending

Approval Step 1: Owner Step Definition

Performed By: Karla Esparza / Community Engagement Strategist

Completed: 2025-01-13 Result: Defined

Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend

Kelli Rael / COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP REPRESENTATIVE SENIOR Performed By:

Completed: 2025-02-10 Result: Recommended

Operating support for the 2025 Girls Get IT: Two STEM Program Sponsorships in the **Comments:**

East and West Valley (\$20,000); Operating support for the 2025 Fast Track Certificate Program: Tuition stipends for up to 40 students (\$20,000); Sponsor the 2025 Heroes of Education event (\$16,000) on November 13, 2025; and 4% Foundation fee for Grant

Administration (\$2,400). All from education budget.

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Organization

*Organization Category: Basic Needs

Official Name: MESA UNITED WAY INC

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Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2024-10-08)

Proposal Type: General Grant Application *Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Strategy:

Organization Category: Basic Needs

Type of Request: Annual

Purpose: Operating Expenses

Project Title: Trauma informed Housing Programming

In-Kind Request?: No

Request Amount: \$50,000.00 Requested Cash Amount: \$50,000.00

Cash Recommended:

In-Kind Recommended: \$0.00

Describe Mission/Geographic Impact: Foster360's mission is to break the cycle of homelessness and adversity for youth

aging out of foster care. We accomplish this by providing our clients with holistic wraparound services that empower them with the necessary tools, education, and

mindset to succeed in life.

Each year 900 youth age out of the foster care system, within two years (meaning they turn 18) 50% will become homeless. This year for the Point in Time Count, it was determined that 65% of Arizona's chronically homeless were a part of the foster care system at some point in their life. 1/3 of aged-out foster youth will become victims of sex trafficking, 71% of women will become pregnant by the age of 21, less than 3% will earn post-secondary degrees, and 1 out of 4 will experience PTSD the same as a war veteran, to name just a few barriers that they will encounter. Foster360 serves this population by providing not just stable/safe housing but with programming to address the root cause of chronic homelessness within this population, as well as wrap-around services to empower the youth to never become homeless again. This is a population that is too often overlooked, and the effects of that overlook are evident based on the barriers listed above that await these youth once they age out.

On an annual basis, Foster360 is able to help youth with safe and stable housing while addressing trauma and brain injuries as well as providing wrap-around services. Over the last 12 months, Foster360 housed 11 youth, in the last year, 10/11 youth were able to be placed in jobs, 2 youth are on track to complete their GED, 1 youth was placed in his apprenticeship for plumbing and has reached year two of his program, 1 youth was able to graduate from ASU, 5 youth are on track to receive their associates degree some as soon as May 2025, and 2 other youth are working towards what they want to do long-term in school. A lot of the youth were failing in school prior to Foster360, and with our unique approach, youth have A's and B's in their classes. Foster360's unique approach works to combat the barriers these youth face once aging out, so that they do not become another statistic, but decrease the outcomes that have lasted for far too long. During their time at Foster360, youth struggling with extreme anxiety can decrease their anxiety to mild to none with the tools provided by Foster360, suicidal ideation and attempts are no longer a concern for these youth, and every youth tests drug-free while in the program, these are just a few of the many success they achieve having the right support around them. Foster360 can provide the right environment that allows the youth to be empowered and flourish long-term to create sustainable lasting change, a change that puts them on their path to a future full of hope and possibilities.

Program/Project tie to SRP Goals:

Foster360 provides opportunities for basic needs to youth who have aged out of the foster care system. After aging out of the foster care system, these youth find themselves without adequate housing, nutrition, support/programming, and job/ educational opportunities. By providing the basic need of housing and programming, homelessness is prevented for this population.

Project/Program Description:

Since opening the housing portion of Foster360 in 2020, we have been able to provide a safe, stable living environment for the youth of Foster360. In a short amount of time, we have seen the success that this program and environment create for these young adults. Within 3-6 months 100% of Residents that scored Severe Anxiety tested at moderate/mild anxiety. Within 1-3 months of participating at Foster360, 100% of youth have passed random drug tests. After 1-6 months youth are no longer having suicidal ideation or attempts. 2 youth are currently working on completing their GED, and 5 have graduated from high school while in the program. 5 pursued post-secondary school with one graduating with a post-secondary certificate while in the program. In 12 months, 2 youth graduated from the program. 10/11 youth are currently working or have started a paid internship. Foster360 has helped 10/11 youth enroll with other community programs. In homelessness, over 50% have brain injuries, through the work of Foster360 we have identified that 7/11 of our youth have brain injuries. By working on not only trauma and brain injuries, we have seen the capacity of the youth expand and achieve higher success in work and school, along with communication as well as executive functions to name a few. We know based on the work Foster360 is doing, that trauma and brain injuries are the root cause of homelessness and chronic homelessness. We currently have young adults in Barrow Neurological Institute (Brain Injury), YMCA Youth Workforce, Maricopa Youth Workforce, Grad Solutions, and AmeriCorps to name a few. Residents share frequently how "before Foster360 my biggest goal/dream was to make it to the next birthday, since being at Foster360, I now dream of what I am going to do in this life, and all I will accomplish."

Project Description: With this proposal for Trauma-informed Housing Programming, we would be able to continue to provide paid internships for the youth to gain confidence in a safe environment that is trauma-informed while building and gaining new skills for the workforce outside of Foster360. Foster360 can continue with traum informed programming, basic housing needs for the youth, and internship support for the youth, this would allow for them to truly have the opportunities to break generational cycles of trauma and become the young adult they hope to be, not who they thought they were based on their past. This project would continue to produce the outcomes listed above, as well as seeing each young adult achieve self-sufficiency and sustainability and help the youth further in their success this year than last. The project would help decrease the outcomes with the youth served that so many of their peers face from the statistics of aging out of foster care. The goal of Foster360 is to break the cycle of homelessness in the young adults we serve so that they never become homeless again and provide the future they deserve, a future where they flourish and grow into who they always were meant to be.

Program Metrics:

Through Foster360's program, we currently can serve 11 youth in our program, we are coming up to the first year anniversary of our expansion which is the second step for youth that were ready to move closer to never becoming homeless again through our program. We can serve anyone who is an aged-out foster youth in Arizona, we have youth who come from all over the state, and our physical locations are currently in Tempe and Mesa. Foster360 serves a diverse range of foster youth. Current demographics of youth served include 63% Black, 27% Hispanic, 10% Caucasian and 45% are male and 55% are female.

Intended Use of SRP Funds:

The funds will go towards trauma-informed programming, internships, and basic needs for the youth.

SRP Sponsorship Benefits:

SRP would receive multiple benefits as part of the sponsorship/contribution to Mesa United Way/Foster360. The benefits would include logos, speaker opportunities and volunteer opportunities. At this time, due dates and asset specifications are to be determined.

Other Sources of Funding:

Barrow Neurological Institute provides holistic multidisciplinary care and support for brain injuries for our youth under their domestic violence grant, their services donated were over \$50,000 last year alone.

Midwestern University provides Occupational Therapy support to address and empower the youth to work on activities of daily living and support around career interest inventories and exploration for the youth.

Junior Achievement provides an individualized curriculum around our youth and specific barriers they encounter within poverty, that helps with financial literacy for long-term financial health.

Honor Health- provides through a non-profit they formed health advocacy workshops that allow our youth to become empowered in their health care and work on better health overall and preventative care.

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Gila River provided \$30,000 in funding this year for programming.

Toyota Valley Dealers did a match program for Foster360 which raised \$62,000 total Cigna did a 5,000 sponsorship and Dignity Health did a 10,000 sponsorship

Two fundraisers are planned for October 16th and November 2nd 2024

For financial sustainability, we continue to work on grants, individual donors, corporate sponsorships, as well as the support of Mesa United Way. We will continue to seek new funding opportunities as well as long-term supporters from the community.

Similar Organizations:

There are a few programs that would be deemed similar to Foster360, Thrive AZ, and FosterArizona to name a few. There are not a lot of transitional housing programs for these youth, but there are some. What makes Foster360 different from the other organizations is that we work on trauma and brain injuries as the primary focus to start, we do provide wrap-around life skills but we work on root causes of homelessness to get the youth in a place to be able to be successful in all the other areas of their life. We also provide a rest period where do not expect them to work or go to school, we just want them to work with their trauma coach and if needed brain injury therapist (speech therapy around executive functions, before we look at school or work. This rest period could be up to 6 months and this model has proven to be most successful for the youth, if youth have had trauma after trauma for 18 years, we couldn't possibly think of going to work or school with their brain in survival mode, or their untreated brain injury will serve them best. There is a lot of work they do while they are in this rest period but it is solely focused on calming their nervous system, calming their brain, and providing executive function support to help them truly thrive, while integrating them into routines and capacity-building. We are also a program where they can stay up to 5 years instead of 18 months, we want to make sure they will never become homeless again, and that requires getting them through a certification, job placement, and all the services leading up to that prior to even being ready for school.

Letter Signer & Title: Internal Comments:

Juana Hernandez, Community Stewardship Representative Sr.

Operating support for the trauma-informed programming, internships, and basic needs for the youth (\$50,000).

ON HOLD 12/16: JH to talk to org on how to move fwd. Potential board committee item.

Attachments

In-Kind Supporting Documentation:

Current Year Budget: FY2025 Budget Foster360-approved.pdf Last Year's Budget: F360 FY24 Budget to FY23 Actual.pdf Project Budget Form for SRP 2024.xlsx Program Budget:

Audited Financial Statements: MUW Financial Statements Final PDF FY23-AUDIT (003).pdf

Board of Directors Listing: MUW Board Members Roster.docx

List of Corporate Contributors: Spons 7-1-23 to date.pdf

Additional Attachment (1): Additional Attachment (2):

Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

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Approval

Requested Amount: \$50,000.00 *Recommended Amount: \$50,000,00

Prior Approved Grants: •2025 - Program Continuation and Expansion Support - \$50,000.00

•2025 - Sponsor Azura Gala and Helen's Hope Chest Anniversary 2023-24 -

\$10,000.00

Request Status: Pending

Owner Step Definition Approval Step 1:

Performed By: Karla Esparza / Community Engagement Strategist

Completed: 2024-10-08 Result: Defined

Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend

Performed By: Juana Hernandez / Sr. Representative Community Stewardship

Completed: 2025-01-21 Result: Recommended Approved. Comments:

Operating support for Foster360 (\$50,000)

February Committee Meeting

Approval Step 3: Request Owner Approval

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Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2024-12-20)

Proposal Type: General Grant Application *Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Strategy:

Organization Category: Education

Type of Request: Annual

Purpose: Operating Expenses

Project Title: Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals-Native American Internship Program

In-Kind Request?: No

Request Amount: \$100,000.00 Requested Cash Amount: \$100,000.00

Cash Recommended:

In-Kind Recommended: \$0.00

Describe Mission/Geographic Impact: ITEP strengthens tribal capacity and sovereignty in environmental and natural resource

management through culturally relevant education, research, partnerships, and policy-

based services.

Annual Impact: ITEP delivers hundreds of training sessions annually, equipping tribal professionals with skills in environmental management, air quality, climate resilience,

and more.

Through internships and educational programs, ITEP supports the development of the next generation of Indigenous environmental leaders. Our work encompasses collaborations with over 570 federally recognized tribes and many tribal organizations,

ensuring tailored solutions to meet community-specific needs.

Geographic Impact: ITEP's impact extends across the United States, serving tribes in rural and urban settings. While its programs are national, ITEP places special emphasis on supporting tribes in Arizona and the Southwest, given their proximity and

the unique environmental challenges they face.

ITEP is a vital resource for Indigenous communities. Addressing critical environmental and cultural priorities fosters resilience and sustainable stewardship of tribal lands and

resources.

Program/Project tie to SRP Goals:

ITEP's Native American Internship Program aligns closely with SRP's corporate giving goals. It directly addresses key priorities such as advancing STEM education, promoting workforce development, and supporting Indigenous communities. The program's hands-on internships equip Native American students with the technical skills, mentorship, and experience to address environmental and scientific challenges in their communities. Many of these challenges are directly relevant to SRP's focus on sustainability, resource management, and community development, making the program a valuable asset to the company.

Supporting the Native American Internship Program amplifies SRP's impact because it directly invests in underserved Indigenous populations, fostering equity in education and workforce opportunities. By empowering Native students with targeted STEM experiences, SRP contributes to a pipeline of skilled professionals uniquely equipped to support tribal and regional sustainability efforts. This focused approach strengthens SRP's relationships with Indigenous communities, highlighting its commitment to cultural and geographic inclusivity and reinforcing its corporate values.

Project/Program Description:

ITEP's Native American Internship Program reflects NAU's commitment to experiential learning by offering Indigenous students the opportunity to gain hands-on experiences in water resources, land management, and environmental sustainability, respecting traditional ecological knowledge and bridging cultural heritage with contemporary science.

The program provides essential human resources to federal agencies like the EPA, USDA, and USGS, helping them achieve critical environmental, health, and technical objectives. In addition to these partnerships, the program collaborates with corporate host sites to address their goals, often aligning with environmental stewardship, corporate social responsibility, and workforce development priorities. Rooted in ITEP's mission to strengthen tribal sovereignty and capacity, the program offers to students and host sites:

*Internship Placement: Matching Native American undergraduate and graduate students with internships aligned with their academic and career goals.

*Experiential Learning: Providing real-world, project-based opportunities where students engage in meaningful work directly related to water and land management challenges within the Colorado River Basin and beyond.

*Cultural and Professional Mentorship: Offering tailored guidance to support students' development while honoring their unique cultural perspectives.

*Workforce Development: Equipping participants with practical skills and technical expertise to meet the workforce needs of tribal governments and environmental agencies.

*Collaborative Partnerships: Working with host sites, including tribal governments, NGOs, federal agencies, and corporations, to ensure mutually beneficial outcomes for students and stakeholders.

*Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Efforts: The program supports corporate DEI objectives by fostering opportunities for underrepresented Indigenous students in STEM fields.

*Community Engagement: Companies engage with tribal communities through internships, building stronger relationships and contributing to long-term societal impact.

*Talent Pipeline Development: By hosting interns, corporations access a pool of skilled and motivated individuals, some of whom may become future employees, enhancing their workforce with unique perspectives and expertise.

Program Goals

- 1.Career Pathway Creation: The program connects students with real-world opportunities that align with their academic and career aspirations, bridging the gap between education and employment.
- 2.Build a Skilled Tribal Workforce: Cultivate Indigenous professionals equipped to address critical environmental and natural resource challenges within their communities.
- 3.Cultural Competency and Leadership: Students develop leadership skills and the ability to integrate Indigenous knowledge with modern STEM practices, addressing unique challenges in tribal and corporate contexts.
- 4.Economic Empowerment: The program fosters economic development within tribal communities and beyond by equipping Native students with the tools to succeed.

5.Enhance STEM Representation: Increase Native American participation in STEM fields, focusing on environmental and resource management careers.

6.Address Environmental Challenges: With a culturally relevant and communityfocused approach, target pressing issues such as water resource management, land stewardship, and climate resilience.

Through its collaborative approach, the ITEP Native American Internship Program meets the objectives of federal and corporate host sites while driving workforce development by preparing a new generation of Indigenous professionals to tackle critical environmental and resource management challenges.

Program Metrics:

With additional funding from SRP, ITEP's Native American Internship Program will expand current metrics to broaden the impact and reach. While the current program serves 24 Indigenous students annually through 16 summer internships and 8 academic-year placements, increased support could enable the following enhancements:

Demographics and Reach - Participants in the ITEP Native American Internship Program include Native American undergraduate and graduate students from diverse tribal affiliations across the U.S., ensuring broad representation and impact. While the program emphasizes addressing pressing environmental challenges in the Colorado River Basin, its geographic scope extends to host sites throughout Arizona and beyond, reflecting a commitment to addressing environmental issues across various regions. Past host sites, such as the San Carlos Department of Water Resources, the Navajo Nation Department of Water Resources, the USDA Forest Service-Coconino National Forest, the Hopi Tribe Department of Natural Resources, Dine College, and the Cocopah Tribe, demonstrate the program's dedication to placing interns in impactful roles in tribal and regional communities, including areas served by SRP.

For the summer program, interns come from colleges and universities across the US to participate. In contrast, academic year interns are primarily from northern Arizona, which we would like to expand to the Phoenix/Tucson region.

Intended Use of SRP Funds:

With additional funding from SRP, ITEP can significantly expand the program's reach and impact by:

*Increasing Participation: We anticipate an approximate increase of the current cohort size from 24 to 30, providing internship opportunities for more students each year.

*Enhancing Program Offerings: Additional funding could include specialized training, professional development and career readiness workshops, and mentorship programs that strengthen workforce readiness.

*Expanding Geographic Impact: Increased resources would facilitate partnerships with a broader array of host sites, allowing placements in more cities and tribal regions, further aligning with SRP's service area and goals.

*Developing New Partnerships: SRP's involvement would attract additional host sites and collaborators, enriching the diversity of student internship opportunities.

*Fostering Long-term Sustainability: SRP funding will support building a pipeline of Indigenous STEM professionals prepared to address critical water and land management challenges.

SRP Sponsorship Benefits:

Brand Visibility and Recognition

Logo Placement: SRP's logo prominently displayed on program materials, including internship announcements, program reports, and digital communications.

Social Media Features: Recognition of SRP's contribution in targeted social media posts through ITEP and NAU platforms.

Website Acknowledgment: Listing SRP as a key partner on ITEP's program webpage, with a direct link to SRP's corporate social responsibility page.

Community Engagement and Goodwill

Program Branding: Opportunities to showcase SRP's commitment to environmental stewardship, Indigenous communities, and workforce development in all program-related communications.

Press Releases: Inclusion in press releases and articles announcing the program's impact and SRP's sponsorship.

Workforce Development Opportunities

Future Talent Pipeline: Access to a pool of talented and STEM-trained Indigenous professionals who may contribute to SRP's workforce goals in the future.

Speaking and Networking Opportunities

Event Participation: Invitation for an SRP representative to speak at key program events, such as internship kickoff meetings or a year-end celebration.

Networking Access: Opportunities to connect with other stakeholders, including tribal representatives, federal agencies, and corporate leaders involved in the program.

Demonstrated Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)

Annual Impact Report: Receive a detailed report summarizing SRP's impact, including the number of students served, program achievements, and testimonials from interns and host sites.

Customized Case Studies: Highlight stories of SRP-supported interns, showcasing the tangible impact of their work on water and land management issues.

Due Dates and Asset Specifications

Logo Submission - TBD. We would provide SRP with a detailed timeline at the program's start.

Other Sources of Funding:

Financial support is provided by:

Resolution Copper

Lincoln Institute

Catena Foundation

Navajo Nation Department of Water Resources Hopi Tribe Department of Natural Resources

ITEP actively seeks funding partners that align with its mission to enhance tribal sovereignty, build a skilled Indigenous workforce, and address pressing environmental challenges. Additional support from organizations like SRP would enable the program to expand its impact and reach more students across diverse communities.

Similar Organizations:

In supporting Native American students through internships focused on environmental sustainability, water resources, and land management, few organizations provide services as comprehensive as the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP) at NAU.

Similar Organizations

American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)

AISES provides mentorship, networking, and internships for Indigenous students pursuing careers in STEM fields.

Focused on STEM broadly but does not specialize in environmental or resource management internships.

Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs)

Institutions like Dine College and Haskell Indian Nations University offer internship opportunities connected to their academic programs.

Primarily regional in focus, with limited national internship networks.

Federal Agencies with Native Initiatives

Agencies like the EPA, USDA, and USGS offer internships targeted at Native American students.

These programs are often limited in scale and focus on agency priorities rather than tribal-specific needs.

Environmental Non-Profits

Organizations like the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society provide some internship opportunities in environmental conservation.

Tend to focus narrowly on specific ecosystems or issues.

What Differentiates ITEP

Culturally Responsive Approach: ITEP uniquely combines modern STEM techniques with traditional ecological knowledge, ensuring Indigenous perspectives are integrated into environmental solutions.

Long-Standing Expertise: With over 30 years of experience, ITEP has established itself as a leader in tribal capacity building and environmental education. It offers proven programs tailored to tribal needs.

Broad Network of Partners: Collaborations with federal agencies, tribal governments, NGOs, and corporations provide a wide array of placements that address both tribal and environmental priorities.

Focus on Tribal Sovereignty: The program empowers students to address critical community challenges, aligning directly with tribal goals and enhancing self-determination.

National Impact with Local Focus: While the program has a nationwide reach, it is deeply rooted in addressing issues specific to the Colorado River Basin and Arizona, areas of significant concern for regional stakeholders like SRP.

ITEP's holistic, culturally aligned, and impactful programming positions it as a valuable resource for fostering the next generation of Indigenous STEM professionals.

Letter Signer & Title: Kelli Rael, Community Stewardship Representative Sr.

Internal Comments: Operating support (\$100,000) for ITEP's Native American Internship Program.

Attachments

In-Kind Supporting Documentation:

Current Year Budget: FY25 NAU Foundation Operating Budget_CFR.pdf
Last Year's Budget: FY24 Foundation Supporting Service Budget_FINAL.pdf

Program Budget: ITEP_NAIP25-26_Budget Projection_122024.xlsx

Audited Financial Statements: FY24_Audit_fs_NAUF.pdf
Board of Directors Listing: FY 24 Directors List.pdf

List of Corporate Contributors: FY24_Current Top Corporate Donors.pdf

Additional Attachment (1):

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Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

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Approval

Requested Amount: \$100,000.00 *Recommended Amount: \$50,000.00

Prior Approved Grants: •2019 - Fins & Fairways Sponsorship - \$2,500.00

2020 - Tribal Environmental Education Outreach Program - \$75,000.00
2024 - Tribal Economic Outlook Conference (TEOC) - \$5,000.00

Request Status: Pending

Approval Step 1: Owner Step Definition

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Result: Defined

Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend

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Completed: 2025-02-10

Result: Recommended

Comments: \$50,000 operating support for ITEP's Native American Internship Program. Education

budget.

Approval Step 3: Request Owner Approval

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Organization

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Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2025-01-03)
Proposal Type: Capital Campaign Grant Application

*Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Organization Category: Basic Needs

Type of Request: Board & Council

Purpose: Capital

Project Title: SVdP Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission

Request Amount: \$0.00
*Requested Cash Amount: \$0.00

Cash Recommended:

Programs and Accomplishments

Statement:

St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) has grown from a singular "Feed" mission in 1946 to a holistic one that promotes systemic change and greatly increased quality of life for those we serve. Our mission is to feed, clothe, house and heal people experiencing poverty and homelessness and to serve volunteers seeking meaningful interactions throughout central and northern Arizona. We fulfill our mission by surrounding people with the resources they need to overcome their challenges and barriers.

Some program accomplishments last year include:

- * Feed: We fed 3.34M meals to the community and delivered 7.85M pounds of emergency food boxes to 189,000 families' doorsteps through a network of 80 SVdP neighborhood food banks. Our dining rooms and food box programs are more than a means to an end--they are the conduits to service connection and relationship-building. Food is a critical point of entry to assess what people truly need to foster stability and long-term sustainability.
- * House: We saved 10,545 households (that's 28,800 individuals) from becoming homeless. We also housed 1,555 people experiencing homelessness for 124,000 nights, helping many navigate to economic stability and permanently end their homelessness. Our transitional homes care for almost 500 people each night and offer holistic support through workforce development, service connection, meals, joyous celebrations, safety, dignity and more.
- * Heal: Our medical, dental and chronic disease education clinics served 4,800 uninsured high-risk patients across 18,600 visits, bringing them to stability and creating health equity.

Capital Campaign Statement:

At St. Vincent de Paul, we know how important Arizona neighborhoods and communities are to SRP. Even when neighborhoods fall outside of its service territory, SRP cares for and supports them because of its recognition that we are all One Community. "Arizona isn't just where we work, it's also where we live and raise our families," is an SRP motto. We feel exactly the same way.

The collective work we do together as partners has a ripple effect on all Arizonans. This Common Ground capital campaign, and the Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission in particular, opens wide the doors for community engagement in all facets of need, whether it is related to food, clothing, housing or healing--or, as often is the case, a combination thereof.

First and foremost, both organizations espouse volunteerism as the beating heart of this ripple community effect. SVdP relies on volunteers to perform our missionary work in support of people experiencing poverty and homelessness, while SRP employees provided more than 22,000 hours of volunteer work in FY24.

Furthermore, an investment in homelessness prevention through utility assistance substantially improves the health and well-being of low-income Arizonans in the short and long terms. And kids perform better in school as a result. This year, SRP is reimbursing SVdP with more than \$124,000 in Wildfire-HEAF grants so that families can keep a roof over their heads and the A/C on.

SRP's classroom and teacher grants are powerful motivators of systems change. In tandem, our SVdP Scholarship and mentorship program for more than 50 first-generation college students annually, changes the trajectory of families and neighborhoods by stopping the cycle of poverty.

SRP's investment in the Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission will help with the following palpable outcomes:

*Increase our capacity to help people experiencing poverty and homelessness.

*Inspire others to follow SRP's investment and commitment.

*Match resources, particularly the need for volunteers, with the significant community need.

Thank you for your consideration of support for this critical capital campaign that will leave a legacy of service for decades to come.

Location and Description:

The Common Ground capital campaign, which includes the Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission, is located at St. Vincent de Paul's south Phoenix campus at 420 W Watkins Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85003.

Project/Program Description: Campaign Goals:

The over-arching Common Ground capital campaign began in 2023. Building for each stage of the campaign occurs when each component is properly funded, and we can pay cash for construction.

By way of example, we completed the construction of De Paul Manor and Rosalie's Place in 2024, because these transitional homes for people experiencing homelessness are community priorities and because these were the first two campaign components to be fully committed and funded. Today, we care for the holistic needs of an additional 171 men, women and companion animals each night, bringing our total to almost 500. This campaign significantly has changed the trajectory of the community's homelessness crisis.

Construction for the Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission will be completed in 2025. This stage of the Common Ground capital campaign is comprised of the renovation of two buildings that together will be approximately 13,000 sqft of space, and transform our community's ability to respond to the needs of vulnerable people experiencing homelessness and poverty through volunteerism and leadership.

The first building is what we refer to as the Mayflower, which is a 1960s-era warehouse that falls under the Rio Salado mandated setback along the south side of I-17. This means that we can renovate the building, however, we cannot tear the building down and rebuild. Additionally, a renovation is less expensive than a new build, and we will be able to completely repurpose the building. The second building is what we refer to as the Volunteer Services building.

The Center for Purpose Hope & Mission has two phases, for the renovation of each building. Phase I construction on the smaller of the two buildings (Volunteer Services) begins in Spring 2025 and will be completed before the end of the year. We will begin Phase II (the larger Mayflower warehouse) site work in Spring 2025, with a construction completion target date of Jan. 1, 2027.

The remaining components of the Common Ground capital campaign will follow a similar funding model and accelerated timeline. We hope to be fully committed for the remaining campaign components by the end of 2025.

LEED Certification: No

Percentage of Board Members: We are proud to share that 100% of our Board members have generously contributed

to our mission. Their unwavering support exemplifies their deep commitment to the

work we do and the community we serve, both in service and financially.

Executive Director Name:

Executive Director Phone Number: Executive Director Email Address:

Letter Signer & Title: Juana Hernandez, Community Stewardship Representative Sr.

Internal Comments: Capital Campaign Request for SVdP Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission.

Scheduled for Committee?

SVdP Committee Leaders.pdf

Attachments

Community Need Letter: SVdP Community Need Letter.pdf

Campaign Budget: SVdP CPHM Budget.pdf

Campaign Commitments: SVdP Campaign Commitments.pdf **Board of Directors and Affiliations:** SVdP Board of Directors FY25.pdf

Most Recent Audited Financials: SVdP FY23 Audited Financial Statement.pdf

List of Capital Campaign Leadership/

Committee Leaders:

Additional Attachment (1): SVdP 2022 Common Ground Capital Campaign_FINAL.pdf

Additional Attachment (2):

Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

Payment

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Approval

Requested Amount: \$0.00

*Recommended Amount: \$150,000.00

•2016 - - \$5,000.00 **Prior Approved Grants:**

•2017 - - \$5,000.00

•2017 - - \$500.00

•2019 - Dollars for Doers Grant - \$1,000.00

•2019 - Dollars for Doers Grant - \$1,000.00

•2020 - Heat and Hunger Relief - \$5,000.00

•2020 - Dollars for Doers Grant - \$500.00

•2020 - Dollars for Doers Grant - \$250.00

•2021 - Dollars for Doers Grant - \$500.00

•2021 - COVID-19 Hunger Relief - \$10,000.00

•2022 - Summer Heat Relief - \$7,500.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$2,055.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$1,214.40

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$2,538.80

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$809.60

•2022 - Dollars for Doers Grant - \$250.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$809.60

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$809.60

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$10.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$809.60

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$15.00

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- •2022 Equipment Donation: 240 CamelBaks \$8,400.00
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- 2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$1,053.32
- 2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$1,579.98
- 2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$1,063.32
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- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$1,053.32
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- •2024 Homelessness Prevention & Heat Relief \$45,000.00
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- •2025 Payroll Deduction Grant \$1,191.46
- •2025 Homeless Prevention, Heat Relief & Workforce Development \$50,000.00
- - \$0.00
- Request Status: Pending

Result:

- Approval Step 1: Owner Step Definition
 - Performed By: Karla Esparza / Community Engagement Strategist
 - **Completed:** 2025-01-06
- Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend

Defined

- Performed By: Juana Hernandez / Sr. Representative Community Stewardship
 - Completed: 2025-01-21

Result: Recommended Approved. Comments:

Capital campaign support for the SVdP Center for Purpose, Hope & Mission

(\$150,000)

February Committee Meeting

Request Owner Approval Approval Step 3:

Performed By: Completed: Result: Comments:

Contact

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CEO Email Address:

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CEO/Executive Director Contact: Person completing application:

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*Last Name: Collins

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Person completing application:

Organization

*Organization Category: Education

Official Name: TEACH FOR AMERICA INC*Legal Name: Teach For America Phoenix*Address: 4747 N 32nd St Suite 130

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*Main Email Address: ariana.luna@teachforamerica.org

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*Executive Director Name: Steve Erickson
*Executive Director Phone Number: 480-242-4163

*Executive Director Email Address: steven.erickson@teachforamerica.org

Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2024-12-20)

Proposal Type: General Grant Application *Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Strategy:

Organization Category: Education

Type of Request: Annual

Purpose: Operating Expenses

Project Title: TFA Phoenix STEM Teachers, Alumni Summit Space, & Celebration Dinner

Sponsorship

In-Kind Request?: Yes

Value In-Kind: \$10,000.00

In-Kind Needs Description: A/V for May Alumni Summit Event at PERA Club

 Request Amount:
 \$52,900.00

 Requested Cash Amount:
 \$52,900.00

 Cash Recommended:
 \$52,900.00

 In-Kind Recommended:
 \$10,000.00

Describe Mission/Geographic Impact: Teach For America's vision is that one day, all students in this nation will have the

opportunity to attain an excellent education. Our mission is to find, develop, and support a diverse network of leaders who expand opportunity for children from classrooms, schools, and every sector and field that shapes the broader systems in which schools operate. Today, the call for Teach For America's leadership and innovation has never been more urgent. The pandemic has widened gaps in educational access and opportunity and our students, parents, and teachers are facing personal, health, and family challenges. Many schools and districts are struggling to find and retain game-changing educators. We recruit, develop, and support outstanding and diverse leaders, who have demonstrated the values and leadership necessary to expand opportunity and access for all children. We ask these leaders to make a lifelong commitment, beginning with two years teaching in a public school, partnering with communities most acutely impacted by educational inequity. By providing excellent teachers to high needs schools in low-income communities, and ensuring they have ongoing training and support, we significantly increase student learning opportunities.

We respectfully request \$52,900 to support our efforts to recruit, retain, and support a cohort of exceptional teachers for Arizona and to provide world-class, responsive training to these leaders. Our teachers will receive ongoing training and support over their initial two-year commitment beginning with an innovative hybrid virtual summer training model with both virtual and local, in-person components and continuing with intensive 1:1 coaching throughout the school year. Now, more than ever, we need innovative, creative, and passionate individuals in our classrooms ensuring that every child has access to an excellent education.

We have a three-part approach:

- 1) We find promising leaders: The questions underlying educational inequity demand the imagination and sustained focus of our nation's most promising leaders. We recruit outstanding and diverse, purpose-driven leaders who have demonstrated evidence of the values and leadership necessary to expand opportunity and access for all children. We ask leaders to make a lifelong commitment that begins with two years teaching in a public school, partnering with children and families most acutely impacted by educational inequity. During the 2022-2023 school year, Teach For America (TFA) piloted an innovative localized recruitment strategy in an effort to increase the number of teachers we bring to Phoenix. The pilot was an immediate success and we grew our incoming corps size by 50% from 2022 to 2023, and continued this strategy into the 2024 school year. Utilizing our new local recruitment strategy we will continue to grow our incoming corps size and recruit up to 70 new teachers to join our 2025 corps. Currently, in Phoenix, we have just over 100 first and second year teachers (corps members) working in 40 schools across the Valley, this year. These corps members work alongside nearly 600 alumni educators and school leaders, impacting an estimated 60,000 students.
- 2) We train teachers to maximize impact in the classroom: We develop leaders who go beyond traditional expectations to advance the academic and personal growth of their students, helping to strengthen their schools. In doing so, they expand their perspectives, knowledge, and skills as educators, advocates, and systems-change leaders. Great teaching is necessary to ensure children realize their potential and have the full agency they need and deserve in life. In collaboration with schools, families, Arizona State University, and other community partners, we provide training, ongoing professional development, and access to an unparalleled network of resources.
- 3) We support and develop lifelong leaders in education: As their careers take shape, we help alumni connect with each other, as well as with high-impact opportunities to continue to grow and learn. Over 80% of our alumni choose to continue to work in education, while others lead from many sectors that shape the context and conditions in which schools operate, developing a workforce of equity minded leaders across our state. Here in Phoenix, we have fueled a pipeline of over 1,200 alumni leaders. Our first and second year corps members work alongside our alumni network to impact more than 60,000 Arizona students every day. In fact, \$2,900 of the total requested grant amount would go towards paying the cost of event space at PERA Club to host a convening of hundreds of our local alumni to invest them in our 2030 Goal and enroll their support and work towards that goal, alongside our partner schools.

The Sponsor A Teacher Program is essential to Teach For America's work and ensures that we can continue to bring excellent teachers to our community. Your support will ensure that we are able to grow our diverse network of leaders with a lifelong commitment to improving educational outcomes for children growing up in low-income communities in Arizona.

Program/Project tie to SRP Goals:

In alignment with SRP's beliefs, we know that our students are the leaders of tomorrow and investing in education for our community means investing in our future. Teach For America is the largest provider of teachers in low-income communities, the most diverse teacher provider in Arizona (and across the country), and the largest source of STEM teachers. Locally, we have just over 100 first and second year corps members, working alongside Teach For America alumni educators and school leaders and impacting over 60,000 students in Arizona.

These teachers are increasing the quality of STEM education for our students. A growing body of external research demonstrates that our corps members' impact on student achievement is comparable to, and even exceeds, that of new and experienced teachers in the same schools. For example, two rigorous Mathematica studies found that students of our corps members gain the equivalent of 2.6 additional months of learning in secondary math and an additional 1.3 months of learning in early elementary reading when compared to students of non-TFA teachers. And this year, the American Institutes for Research conducted a meta-analysis that synthesized 23 rigorous research studies that examined the effects of TFA corps member and alumni teachers on student achievement. Their findings showed that Teach For America teachers over the last few decades have had a consistent and significant impact on students' learning. In fact, the findings showed that on average students of TFA teachers would be expected to outperform students of similar non-TFA teachers in MATH 75% of the time and in SCIENCE 99.9% of the time. This meta-analysis included 23 studies of TFA's impact on student achievement spanning 24 years-- including 63,134 teachers and over 5 million students.

The impact corps members have in the classroom fuels a lifelong commitment to their students and shapes the trajectory of their lives and careers. As our world evolves, the ability to think critically becomes an increasingly important skill for our students. STEM-focused education and programs will ensure our students can navigate this ever-changing world successfully and find career opportunities that support their ability to contribute meaningfully to their community. All teachers, but especially STEM-focused teachers, will lead the charge in equipping our students with the skills and mindsets to successfully navigate the changing workforce landscape.

Project/Program Description:

Through this grant, SRP will support our Sponsor A Teacher program, bringing 7 new STEM teachers to Arizona instead of other TFA regions. In partnership with the State of Arizona, every sponsorship will be matched dollar-for-dollar to cover the full \$12,500 cost of bringing a new teacher to Arizona. Your generous donation of \$25,000 to the Sponsor A Teacher program would unlock 4 new teachers to come to Phoenix and help us reach our goal to bring up to 70 new teachers to Arizona to join our 2025 teaching corps. We recruit, train, and develop corps members who commit to teaching for two years in low-income communities across our state. This year there are just over 100 first and second year corps members teaching in 40 schools across the Valley, impacting over 7,000 students every day. We partner with Title 1 schools who serve, on average, 83% students, aged 5-18, who qualify for free and reduced lunch. By providing excellent teachers to high needs schools in low-income communities, and ensuring they have ongoing training and support, we significantly increase student learning opportunities.

Recruiting and selecting the most promising leaders in our country takes a rigorous commitment to excellence, to seeking out and cultivating not only the most academically prepared and involved students, but also those most proximate to the issue we are trying to address. The time, energy, and belief it takes to cultivate these leaders -- oftentimes changing their trajectory from another field towards education -directly impacts the students and communities they go on to serve, often for a lifetime. Because this is an ambitious undertaking, recruitment and selection is a responsibility that we take seriously. The funds from this grant would support our staff's efforts to bring exceptional leaders to our region, especially those with STEM focused backgrounds, and/or the critical thinking skills necessary to engage our students and prepare them for a world that continues to change around us. Once placed in a partner school these STEM teachers will have access to a network of staff, alumni, and community partners who will help accelerate their impact. Teaching requires a multitude of skills, both in content and management, and our STEM teachers represent almost 30% of our teaching corps. They will have access to a seasoned 1:1 coach who will provide ongoing feedback and skill building within their two years in the classroom.

Program Metrics:

Despite broader teacher retention challenges across the state, TFA Phoenix retained over 90% of our corps members last school year. We attribute our strong retention not only to the persistence and personal commitment of the leaders we recruit, but also to the responsive and exceptional support and training we provide our teachers. This year, there are just over 100 first- and second-year corps members collectively impacting over 7,000 students across 40 district and charter schools in Phoenix every day. These students are kindergarten through 12th graders of all ethnicities and genders. We partner with Title I schools where, on average, 83% of the student population qualifies for free and reduced-price meals.

We use ongoing surveys to evaluate the experience our teachers are having as a result of the training and development we offer. These surveys provide insight into the overall experience of our teachers and allow us to provide responsive and relevant 1:1 coaching, small group experiences, and larger professional development conferences that are tailored to meet the needs of our network.

While the questions in these surveys are subject to change, the following questions are most likely to be asked at the end of summer Pre-Service training, mid-year, and end-of-year. Our goal is for at least 80% of corps members to agree or strongly agree with each statement: (1) I feel valued by TFA staff, (2) I feel valued by fellow CMs, and (3) I feel part of a community driven to help each other increase impact.

Intended Use of SRP Funds:

We respectfully request an overall gift of \$52,900. \$25,000 will go towards our STEM Sponsor-A-Teacher Initiative, \$25,000 towards our annual Celebration Dinner (of which all costs go directly towards impacting our programs), and \$2,900 towards covering the cost of space to convene 300+ of our local alumni at PERA Club for our Teach For America Alumni Summit in May.

Over the course of our fiscal year, SRP's funds will support the following:

- 1) The recruitment of Teach For America corps members who will teach STEM to students in low-income communities, across the Valley. In the 2023-2024 school year, with your support, we were able to recruit almost 60 new teachers to Phoenix, with a total STEM teaching corps for the 2023-2024 school of over 30%. With your renewed support, sponsoring 7 STEM teachers (with a State match) for our incoming corps, we will continue to recruit excellent leaders to join our 2025 corps.
- 2) In addition to the sponsorship of 7 STEM teachers, your support of our annual Celebration Dinner in February of 2025 will include one table (8 guests per table) with preferred seating, digital on-screen listing during the event, and a logo on our event website, and sponsorship listing on printed signage.
- 3) \$2,900 of this grant will cover the costs of convening hundreds of our local TFA Alumni in the same place for the first time since 2017. We plan to hold our Alumni Summit at PERA Club where we can showcase SRP's truly unique space to inspire education leaders across our network to rally around our 2030 Goal and find ways, both individually and collectively, to contribute to that goal and put Teach For America on the path to doubling the number of students going to college in the communities we serve.

SRP Sponsorship Benefits:

As a Network Champion Sponsor for the annual Celebration Dinner, SRP would be recognized in the following ways:

- One (1) table with preferred seating for eight (8) guests
- Digital on-screen listing during the event
- SRP Logo on event website
- Sponsorship listing on printed signage
- Option for social media promotion

Other Sources of Funding:

We have a long-standing history in the Valley with deep-rooted partnerships with schools, districts, and certification partners. We know that no single entity or organization can realistically tackle the systemic issue of educational inequity alone. As such, we work closely with other organizations and partners in the community to accelerate our impact and drive results.

Over their two-year corps experience, our teachers are able to earn their Masters in Education through the Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College at Arizona State University (ASU). This rigorous and valuable program provides them with additional knowledge and support for their classrooms and prepares them to be successful as leaders in the movement for educational equity. We partner with Arizona State University (ASU) from the beginning of a teacher's experience, to be sure they have the training and support needed to become excellent teachers for our state. Our staff, in conjunction with ASU professors, provides summer training for corps members to build foundational teaching skills. Given this, corps members receive credits toward their master's degree before they even begin their first year teaching. When our teachers become alumni of our program, they are equipped with the training we provide, as well as a graduate degree, which only further propels their leadership.

We work closely with district leaders and principals to understand their hiring needs and ensure we fulfill them. We sign multi-year contracts with districts and charter school organizations to ensure mutual plans for long term success. In fact, 100% of our partner districts and schools increased their contract agreements from two years to seven years, to ensure consistent partnership through our 2030 Goal horizon. We currently partner with 40 schools across the Valley, mostly serving the urban core of central, west, and south Phoenix.

Similar Organizations:

Although other organizations and local universities provide teacher training and preparation, our model is unique and critical to the movement for educational equity. While our state continues to grapple with a teacher shortage, Teach For America works to ensure we are recruiting excellent teachers to serve in our highest need schools and communities. As stated above, we are the largest and most diverse provider of STEM teachers and our teacher retention rates are surpassing those of traditional teachers in both district and charter networks, which allows us to galvanize and accelerate our impact throughout the state. By providing excellent teachers to high need schools, we

greatly increase student opportunities.

Letter Signer & Title:

Kelli Rael, Community Stewardship Representative Sr.

Internal Comments:

Requesting event sponsorship (\$25,000) for the 2025 Teach For America Celebration Dinner on 2/27/25. Requesting in-kind AV support for May Alumni Summit Event at

PERA Club. Operating support for Sponsor A Teacher program.

Attachments

In-Kind Supporting Documentation:

Sponsorship Packet: 2025 Phoenix Celebration Dinner Sponsorship Packet (1).pdf

Current Year Budget: FY25 TFA Phoenix Budget.pdf
Last Year's Budget: FY24 - TFA Budget .pdf

Program Budget: PHX FY25 Sponsor a Teacher Budget.pdf

Audited Financial Statements: FY2024_Teach_For_America_Audited_Financial_Statements.pdf

Board of Directors Listing: 2024 TFA Phoenix Board Roster.pdf **List of Corporate Contributors:** FY25 Corporate Contributors.pdf

Additional Attachment (1):

Additional Attachment (2):

Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

Number of Events: 1

Event One

Event 1 Event Name: The 2025 Teach For America Celebration Dinner

Event 1 Date: 2025-02-27
Event 1 Location: Arizona Biltmore

2400 E Missouri Ave Phoenix, AZ 85016

Event 1 Number of Attendees: 500
Event 1 Cash Requested: 25000
Event 1 In-Kind Requested: 0

Event 1 Other Event Info: We are currently working on the program. We will follow-up with our event website for

details when it launches. We do know that we are honoring Bart Faber and Elizabeth Byrnes, and we will also be spotlighting the impact of our teachers, alumni, and students.

SRP Volunteer Opportunities? 1: No

Event 1 Net Proceeds Previous Year: \$1,100,000.00

Event 1 Other Event Sponsors : Yes

Event 1 Other Sponsors and Dollar

Amount: We are currently working on securing event sponsors.

Event 1 Promo Booth: No

Custom Report:

Event 1 Name - Approved:
Event 1 Date - Approved:
Event 2 Name - Approved:

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Approval

Requested Amount: \$52,900.00 *Recommended Amount: \$52,900.00

Prior Approved Grants: •2013 - Math and Science Initiative - \$30,000.00

•2014 - - \$35,000.00 •2015 - - \$35,000.00 •2016 - - \$40,000.00

•2018 - STEM Initiative - \$40,000.00 •2019 - STEM Initiative - \$44,941.39 •2020 - STEM Initiative 2019 - \$46,418.25 •2021 - STEM Initiative 2020 - \$40,000.00 •2022 - STEM Initiative 2021 - \$50,000.00 •2023 - STEM Initiative 2022 - \$50,000.00

•2024 - 2023 STEM Sponsor- A-Teacher - \$50,000.00

Request Status: Pending

Approval Step 1: Owner Step Definition

Performed By: Karla Esparza / Community Engagement Strategist

Completed: 2025-01-13 **Result:** Defined

Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend

Performed By: Kelli Rael / COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP REPRESENTATIVE SENIOR

Completed: 2025-02-10
Result: Recommended

Comments: \$25,000 operating support Sponsor a teacher program

\$25,000 Event sponsorship for Annual for TFA Celebration Dinner on 2/27/25

\$2,900 Event sponsorship for Alumni event in May 2025. \$10,000 in kind AV for Alumni

event in May 2025.

All from education budget.

Approval Step 3: Request Owner Approval

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Comments:

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Organization

*Organization Category: Education

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Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2024-12-11)

Proposal Type: General Grant Application *Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Strategy:

Organization Category: Education

Type of Request: Annual

Purpose: Operating Expenses

Project Title: Arizona Project WET 2025

In-Kind Request?: No

Request Amount: \$89,633.00 Requested Cash Amount: \$89,633.00

Cash Recommended:

In-Kind Recommended: \$0.00

Describe Mission/Geographic Impact: Arizona Project WET (APW) supports water stewardship and science, technology,

engineering, art, and mathematics (STEAM) literacy by delivering educator

professional

development that advances instructional practice and deepens content knowledge. For nearly three decades, the APW program has delivered meaningful teacher professional development that impacts instructional practice and improves competency in water and

environment-related content.

APW is a University of Arizona (UA) statewide program. The geographic impact of this program will encompass the entire Salt River Project (SRP) service territory. APW directly engages approximately 10,000 students annually (throughout Maricopa and Pinal Counties) with Arizona Water Festivals (AWFs), school-site visits, and place-based presentations. Additionally, APW hosts trainings and workshops for hundreds of teachers each year, who then multiply e orts, inspiring thousands of students.

APW's work is supported by UA and the UA Foundation. The mission of UA is to, "...continuously improve how we educate and innovate so we can lead the way in developing adaptive problem-solvers capable of tackling our greatest challenges." The UA Foundation builds relationships, secures philanthropic support, and stewards assets solely to advance UA. The UA Foundation's services support exemplary UA projects, including APW.

Program/Project tie to SRP Goals:

APW's mission is to meet the needs of our community by using relevant, research-based educational strategies and techniques to develop knowledge and skills that inspire action for water stewardship. APW's STEAM programs showcase math, science, and creative problem-solving across the K-12 continuum, diving into real-world learning scenarios. Through academies and workshops, APW connects teachers with tangible reference points and supporting resources in physical science, engineering, and environmental science through exploration, inquiry, and technology. The flow of information also relates STEAM-based content to areas of study and the myriad careers "in water". Finally, APW programs empower educators to implement programs that highlight sustainable water use.

Project/Program Description:

It is imperative that Arizonans understand the interconnectedness of water resources from a community, regional, and statewide perspective. APW brings into view water-use practices that affect availability, dependability, and sustainability. APW programs use the unifying theme of water to educate teachers and students while bringing relevance and real-world application to STEAM learning. Programs include: 1) teacher professional development that evolves instructional practice and deepens content knowledge, and 2) direct student outreach that delivers or extends traditional classroom learning.

The APW team emphasizes learner outcomes in experiential, environmental education programming with the goal that all participants experience hydrological knowledge gain and build on their understanding of water stewardship. APW uses multiple indicators of success/achievement including, but not limited to surveys, questionnaires, rubrics, observation forms, anecdotal records, and accounting of relevant numbers.

The purpose of this program is to educate, empower, and inspire Arizona waterfocused engagement. Project goals target competency in understanding, modeling, and practice:

- * Surface water (naturally occurring and engineered) relative to watershed components, dynamics, and the hydrologic cycle
- * The groundwater system (accessibility and reliability) in terms of its components, composition, and the hydrologic cycle
- * Surface water/groundwater connections: snowy peaks to city parks
- * Surface water management through containment, storage, and distribution
- * The SRP watershed; the Salt River and the Verde River including reservoirs, lakes, and dams
- * Groundwater pumping systems and high-capacity wells
- * Groundwater recharge and water banking (GRUSP)
- * Managing water and drought in the Arizona desert
- * Water conservation technology and recycled/reclaimed water
- * The engineering design process and the gravity of canal systems
- * Run-off and pollution reduction; maintaining and improving water quality

APW proposes to 1) continue and diversify the APW educator professional development portfolio: Multi-Session, Single-Session/Series, Place-based, and Integrative workshops that leverage fun, learner-based inquiry and 3-dimensional learning across grade-band cross-cutting concepts and standards, 2) support AWFs by building capacity in current and interested schools within Maricopa and Pinal Counties, 3) allow APW to continue outreach with Groundwater STEAM presentations incorporating place-based activation throughout the region with collaborating partners, and 4) address the increasing demand for APW's case-study and project-based content in secondary education (WSI: Water Scene Investigation and Planting for a Rainy Day).

Listed below are the objectives and outcomes for each grant supported component as well as a description of the typical evaluation instrument.

SRP 5-day STEAM Academy

Objectives - Diversify teachers' instructional practice(s) and water-related content mastery through STEAM integration, student-directed learning, real-world application, and collaborative work. Deepen teachers' understanding of SRP's complex and invaluable water distribution system which provides approximately 50% of the Phoenix metropolitan area's water supply. Model activities for teachers, so that they may engage students in STEAM learning centered in the SRP system.

Educators improve their skills in engaging learners with relevant science, technology, engineering, and math practices that focus on systems thinking and project-based problem solving. Participants will leave these workshops with tangible resources, and a supportive cohort, to lead their students through meaningful applications of hydroscience instructional concepts.

Outcomes -- Teachers will utilize SRP's operations and systems as examples of real-world STEAM application. The teachers will reference STEAM careers and engineering design principles pertaining to the SRP system to their class.

Evaluation -- Participant pre and post Academy surveys reveal gains in understanding and skill. Historically, reviewing feedback from all participating teachers, 98% "agree or strongly agree" that the workshop activities were meaningful and improved content knowledge.

Multiple & Single Session (Series) Educator Professional Development

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Educators improve their skills in engaging learners with relevant science, technology, engineering, and math practices that focus on systems thinking and problem solving.

Outcomes -- Teachers will exercise best practices in water-focused content toward STEAM literacy, evolve instructional practice, and deepen student water-knowledge.

Evaluation - Participant pre and post Academy surveys reveal perceived gains in both understanding and resource availability.

Direct Student Outreach

Objectives -- Students gain awareness of their local water sources, and insights into water systems and cycles. Students learn to make distinctions, explore part/whole systems, identify relationships, and develop perspectives. This supports student competency when constructing a framework for thinking through their own ideas about need/want/use, especially as it pertains to a sustainable water future.

Outcomes -- Students will be able to model water sources, systems, and cycles, identifying their role as water users, and then considering/applying conservation behavioral best practices.

Evaluation -- Learner pre and post surveys reveal water conservation knowledge gain. Additionally, students may complete water savings studies/audits and report their data as an e ective measure of learning.

Program Metrics:

SRP Academy: up to 40 educators representing a potential reach of approximately 1,800 students in 3rd -- 10th grades.

Multi-day Professional Development: up to 50 educators representing a potential reach of approximately 1,500 students across all grade levels.

Direct Student Outreach: over 10,000 students joining AWFs, WSI: Water Scene Investigation, Planting for a Rainy Day, Groundwater, and place-based outreach programs.

Intended Use of SRP Funds:

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The SRP 5-day STEAM Academy provides immersion into SRP's systems and operations o ering real-world STEAM application through tours, presentations, modeling of activities from the newest editions of Project WET's world-renowned curriculum guides, and deepening content knowledge on water management in Arizona.

The Academy will host up to 40 educators from the SRP service area and will be held June 2025. STEAM careers and engineering design principles reflecting the SRP system will be woven throughout Academy materials. Participants will

capture daily experiences and document evidence (data), claims, and reasoning. They will complete a reflection on practice, a summary of salient ideas, and a synthesis of all concepts with their primary/secondary teaching cohorts.

Below is an outline of a proposed SRP 5-day STEAM Academy for your reference:

SRP Academy: Part 1

TEXT: Foundations of Water Education Primary Cohort: 3rd -- 5/6th grades

Monday 9:30 AM -- 4:00 PM, SRP PERA Club

Water Topic: Healthy Watersheds, Groundwater, and the Water Cycle

Activities:

Seeing Watersheds p.55Watershed Model and Definition

Blue River p.71River Water Flow

Macroinvert. Mayhem p.105Biodiversity & Health Career Focus: hydrogeologist, hydrologist, biologist

SRP Connection: Where your water comes from, Watershed management, Watershed

connection

Visit from... SRP guest.

Tuesday9:30 AM -- 4:00 PM, SRP PERA Club

Water Topic: Managing Watersheds

Activities:

Color a Watershed p. 81Watershed Development

Sum of the Parts p. 95Watershed Pollution

Water for All p. 117Access to Water

Career Focus: archeologist, engineer, chemist, policy expert, community liaison

SRP Connection: Saving water at home, Water resource management

Visit from... SRP guest.

Wednesday9:30 AM -- 12:30 PM, Place-based/Field site Look at our system through the lens of... (topic above)

SRP Connection: Arizona Falls

SRP Academy: Part 2

TEXT: Climate, Water, and Resilience Secondary Cohort: 7th -- 10th grades

Wednesday1:00 PM -- 4:00 PM, Place-based/Field site

Tour SRP's Lab: Robert Vertefeuille, Hilda Marchetti, and others

Looking at our system through the lens of... (topic below)

SRP Connection: the science of water

Thursday9:30 AM -- 4:00 PM, SRP PERA Club Water Topic: Climate and Extreme Weather

Activities:

"Weather" to Vacation p. 9Weather or Climate

Ocean Osteoporosis p. 53Acidification & Changing PH

Breathing Boreal p.75Forest CO Intake

Career Focus: Forest ranger, environmental analyst, hydrologist, climatologist, chemist

SRP Connection: Watershed management, Lake recreation, SRP environmental policies and programs

Visit from... SRP guest.

Friday9:30 AM -- 4:00 PM, SRP PERA Club

Water Topic: Resilience... Something bad is about to happen.

Activities:

Ocean Rising p. 37Rising Sea Levels

Climate Invaders p.89Invasive Species

Water and Diseases p. 113Waterborne and Vector Diseases

Career Focus: Media consultant, community liaison, immunologist (infectious diseases)

SRP Connection: Sustainability at SRP, Fishing in SRP-managed canals, Back from the Brink

Visit from... SRP quest.

Multi-day/Series Professional Development

Diversify teachers' instructional practice(s) and water-related content mastery through STEAM integration, student-directed learning, real-world and relevant application, and collaborative work. Deepen teachers' understanding of complex and invaluable water distribution systems. Inspire connection and communication within educator cohorts allowing participants to try, practice, and model activities to engage students in STEAM learning centered on water.

APW's Teacher Professional Development workshops are planned in partnership with school district science coordinators or curriculum specialists. They are designed to focus not just on integration of content but to highlight STEAM interests, areas of study, and career pathways as well as o er real-world applications. APW is dedicated to supporting educators who have participated in our workshops and academies with ongoing resources.

Direct Student Outreach

Students gain awareness of their local water sources, and insights into water systems and cycles. Students learn to make distinctions, explore part/whole systems, identify relationships, and develop perspectives. This supports student competency when constructing a framework for thinking through their own ideas about need/want/use, especially as it pertains to a sustainable water future. APW outreach programming centers participants in the Arizona water cycle ensuring that water users also self-identify as sustainable decision makers: I/we manage this resource together.

Arizona Water Festival

AWFs instill a deeper understanding of water in the earth systems and Arizona's water resources through a 4th grade standards-aligned, interdisciplinary curriculum unit driven by exploration and inquiry. The AWF activities are facilitated by high school and college students, water professionals, and community volunteers who engage 4th graders in an experiential and fun exploration of the Groundwater System, Watershed Management, Water Stewardship, and the Arizona Water Cycle. By diving into hydrology through authentic, relevant, and meaningful water-focused activities, this "field day" event instills a deeper understanding of Arizona's varied and complex water resources. As a result, these students can put forward an evidence-based argument about the availability of water in the region and its impact on their lives.

APW will deliver at least 12 Arizona Water Festivals for 4th grade students within the SRP service area.

Groundwater Program

Groundwater is precious in Arizona. Most cities and towns in Arizona heavily rely on groundwater as their water source. Rural and urban areas have been depleting the natural groundwater system, causing "overdraft." E orts to "recharge" or replenish aquifers, are insu cient to meet demand. It is time for everyone to learn more about the importance of groundwater.

APW will facilitate 20 Groundwater presentations for audiences within the SRP service area.

Water Scene Investigations (WSI) Program

WSI aligns with Arizona State Science Education Standards for Middle School using student-centered, 3-dimensional learning. This means "doing" science: asking questions and defining problems, developing and using models, planning and carrying out investigations, analyzing and interpreting data, and constructing explanations and designing solutions.

Emphasis also falls on recognizing relationships that connect all sciences and other fields of study. Specifically, WSI puts students at the center of their own exploration, observing the phenomena that relates to the environment in which they live.

Students are on the scene with WSI.

APW will stage the WSI Program in 2 middle schools in the SRP service area.

Planting for a Rainy Day

"Planting for a Rainy Day" student designers move through a continuum from awareness to knowledge gain, and from conceptual understanding to action, which inspires them to consider, and ideally to adopt, an ethic of creative water stewardship. Participants understand the relationships between rainwater diversion, standing water mitigation, and landscape design.

Student designers answer the question, "How can we harvest rainwater to transform an impermeable plot into an outdoor oasis?"

Students identify a "hot, dry" patch of pavement in their personal watershed (home/school/community) and determine storm water drainage patterns. By calculating the amount of runoff that can be collected in the area, and then applying rainwater harvesting and smart landscaping techniques, students will design a water-wise, biodiverse garden.

APW will grow Planting for a Rainy Day, the Rainwater Harvesting Program, with an additional High School within the SRP service area.

NEW Teaching Tools and Equipment

APW supports teachers with fun, interactive, innovative teaching tools. New EnviroScape® watershed/groundwater models that mimic the SRP watershed will be implemented in the AWF rotation station.

The popular 3D EnviroScape® Watershed/NPS model provides a hands-on, interactive demonstration of the sources and effects of water pollution -- and allows participants to demonstrate ways to prevent it. Easily demonstrate how storm water runoff carries pollutants through the watershed to a pond, lake, river, or arroyo -- and the best management practices to prevent this type of pollution from occurring.

Sources and prevention practices demonstrated focus on areas and issues such as --

- * Residential
- * Stormwater and storm drains
- * Forestry
- * Transportation
- * Recreation
- * Agriculture
- * Construction

Program Sponsors

* Industrial

Events

In addition to the specific programs mentioned above, APW will plan or attend events in the SRP service area that promote water education programs and/or educate the public on water systems.

APW will coordinate and deliver, upon request, learning programs for children and/or families using our interactive teaching tools at community events.

SRP Sponsorship Benefits:

SRP is a named supporter for all teacher professional development and subsequent

digital communication and ephemera.

Other Sources of Funding:

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality: \$10,000 -- \$50,000 Arizona Department of Water Resources: \$50,000 -- \$100,000

Arizona Water Company: \$10,000 -- \$50,000

Central Arizona Project: <\$10,000 City of Apache Junction: <\$10,000 City of Avondale: \$10,000 - \$50,000

City of Chandler: <\$10,000 City of Goodyear: <\$10,000

City of Peoria: \$10,000 -- \$50,000 City of Phoenix: \$10,000 -- \$50,000

City of Surprise: <\$10,000

City of Tempe: TBD EPCOR Water: <\$10,000

Liberty Utilities: <\$10,000

STORM: <\$10,000

Town of Gilbert Water Department: <\$10,000

Town of Queen Creek: TBD

Program Partners

Apache Junction Unified School District -- partner: AWF

Avondale/Littleton Elementary School District -- partner: AWF

Chandler Unified School District -- partner: AWF

Creighton School District -- partner: AWF

Dysart Unified School District -- partner: groundwater programming Gilbert Public Schools -- partner: AWF, Planting for a Rainy Day Mesa Unified School District -- partner: Water Scene Investigation

Natural Resource Education Center -- NREC (Pinal County)

Nina Mason Pulliam Rio Salado Audubon Center

Osborn School District -- partner: AWF Pendergast School District -- partner: AWF Peoria Unified School District -- partner: AWF Roosevelt School District -- partner: AWF

S'edav Va'aki Museum

Similar Organizations:

APW is the only comprehensive water education program with a statewide partnership and delivery system in Arizona. APW is recognized by the International Project WET Foundation as the only distributor of the award winning and National Science Teachers Association-recommended Project WET Curriculum & Activity Guide in Arizona. APW's position as part of UA's Cooperative Extension system enables it to provide on-theground, in county knowledge and support. Also, as a key program of the UA's Water Resources Research Center, APW benefits by staying abreast of ever-evolving water resource management issues and from collaborative water education projects. APW also has a long history of partnership and a very broad and diverse sponsorship portfolio that includes industry, mining, energy, governmental agencies, foundations,

and environmental NGOs.

Letter Signer & Title: Kelli Rael, Community Stewardship Representative Sr.

Operating support for the Arizona Project WET 2025 program. (\$89,633). **Internal Comments:**

Attachments

In-Kind Supporting Documentation:

Current Year Budget: Budget FY25 Updated.pdf

Last Year's Budget: Fiscal 2024 Budget Summary UAF.pdf **Program Budget:** APW-SRP Budget Justfication 2025.pdf

Audited Financial Statements: Financial Statements - June 23-SA.pdf, Financial Statements - September 24 SFP.pdf,

Financial Statements - September 24.pdf, Audited Financials 24-23.pdf, Financial

Statements - June 23-FP.pdf

Board of Directors Listing: BOT Roster Info- FY25.pdf

List of Corporate Contributors: UAF Annual and Endowment Report 2023.pdf

Additional Attachment (1):

Additional Attachment (2):

Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

Number of Events: 0 **Custom Report:**

Event 1 Name - Approved:

Event 1 Date - Approved:

Event 2 Name - Approved:

Event 2 Date - Approved:

Event 3 Name - Approved:

Event 3 Date - Approved:

Is your payee information different than No

your organization information that was

previously provided?:

Payment

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No matches were found

Approval

Requested Amount: \$89,633.00 *Recommended Amount: \$75,330.00

•2019 - Arizona Project WET - \$58,000.00 **Prior Approved Grants:**

> •2020 - Arizona Project WET - \$61,480.00 •2021 - Arizona Project WET - \$61,702.00

Request Status: Pending

Approval Step 1: Owner Step Definition

Performed By: Karla Esparza / Community Engagement Strategist

Completed: 2024-12-12
Result: Defined

Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend

Performed By: Kelli Rael / COMMUNITY STEWARDSHIP REPRESENTATIVE SENIOR

Completed: 2025-02-10

Result: Recommended

Comments: Salaries & Wages: \$30,000

Fringe Benefits: \$8,826

Travel: \$5000

Other Direct Costs: \$27,240

Indirect costs: \$4264

Approval Step 3: Request Owner Approval

Performed By: Completed: Result: Comments:

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Organization

*Organization Category: Basic Needs

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Proposal

*Request Owner: Karla Esparza

Request Source: External (Submitted 2024-12-17)

Proposal Type: General Grant Application *Determination Status: Scheduled for Committee

Strategy:

Organization Category: Basic Needs

Type of Request: Annual

Purpose: Operating Expenses

Project Title: Valley of the Sun United Way's Housing Insecurity and Homelessness Prevention

Initiative

In-Kind Request?: Yes

Value In-Kind: \$34,000.00

In-Kind Needs Description: Co-Branded Sponsorship of the Phoenix Business Journal's Corporate Philanthropy

Awards and Nonprofit Business Summit

Request Amount: \$160,000.00 Requested Cash Amount: \$160,000.00

Cash Recommended:

In-Kind Recommended:

Describe Mission/Geographic Impact:

MISSION: Valley of the Sun United Way (VSUW) envisions a community where every child, family, and individual is healthy, has a safe place to live, and has every opportunity to succeed in school, in life, and in work. To support this vision, the organization has a mission to improve lives by mobilizing the caring power of our community. This mission serves as a vehicle to help Maricopa County's most vulnerable residents by addressing the areas of Health, Housing, and Homelessness, Education, and Workforce Development.

As the organization approaches its 100th year in operation, VSUW is incredibly proud of the collective impact we have made to address the most urgent, basic needs of Maricopa County's diverse population. VSUW's Mighty Change 2026 (MC2026) initiative, a five-year plan created to address the most pressing issues faced by community members, is now entering its third year. Since its inception, MC2026 has guided all of VSUW's activities by addressing the above-mentioned focus areas with the following strategies:

Health: Remove barriers to ensure everyone in our community is healthy, with a focus on access to food and healthcare.

Housing and Homelessness: Ensure that everyone can have a safe home to call their own.

Education: Close opportunity gaps to ensure children read at grade level by 3rd grade and youth are prepared for educational success and employment.

Workforce Development: Open pathways to better-paying jobs.

GEOGRAPHIC IMPACT: According to the most recent data from the U.S. Census Bureau, approximately 490,500 Maricopa County residents live below the poverty line, placing them at a higher risk of cascading negative health, housing, educational, and employment outcomes. Challenges related to these four areas are ongoing, and VSUW recognizes that systemic inequities are deeply ingrained and predominantly affect vulnerable populations, including BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, People of Color) and low-income communities. While many nonprofit agencies exist to help address these inequities, they are often limited in effectiveness by their size, ability to access capital, and the sheer number of individuals and families seeking resources.

Founded in 1925, VSUW has a long and proud history of convening hundreds of organizations across multiple sectors to achieve large-scale, cross-sector initiatives that positively impact the lives of thousands of community members annually. Since our inception, VSUW has grown to serve more than 25 cities and towns across Maricopa County, with many of our programs being concentrated in urban neighborhoods within Phoenix and surrounding cities.

ANNUAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS: VSUW's programs (e.g., housing and utility assistance, supplemental nutrition, and childhood literacy programs) were designed to ensure that individuals and families earning less than the federal poverty line could have their basic needs met. Alongside program partners, VSUW has outlined the following four "Mighty Goals" which drive all organizational activities:

HEALTH: Decrease food insecurity by 50% and increase the number of individuals with access to affordable care by 100,000 by 2026.

HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS: Reduce homelessness by 50% by 2026.

EDUCATION: Increase the number of 3rd graders reading proficiently by 25% and increase the number of people between ages 16-24 who are working and/or in school by 38% by 2026.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT: Increase preparation of individuals for a living wage job by 33% and achievement of higher paying employment by 20% by 2026.

During the 2023-24 fiscal year (July 1, 2023 -- June 30, 2024), VSUW invested a total of \$6.67 million into critical support programs serving local residents through a combination of community-based initiatives and dozens of local nonprofit partnerships. This number includes the generous \$175,000 grant donation provided by SRP. Notable highlights from FY24 include the following:

*Provided 1,931 individuals and families with rental assistance, decreasing housing insecurity by helping to ensure they could afford rental payments.

*Distributed 28,362,728 meals to individuals experiencing hunger, including Pantry Packs distributed at Title I schools and meals delivered to homebound senior citizens.

*Supported 3,038 local K-12 teachers through professional development activities.

*Impacted 6,691 individuals who completed job training/workshop programs.

Program/Project tie to SRP Goals:

Specific to this grant request, VSUW is highlighting one of our four main focus areas -- Housing Insecurity and Homelessness Prevention for vulnerable Maricopa County residents. In alignment with SRP's Basic Needs giving priority, the Housing and Homelessness prevention initiative advances VSUW's vision to ensure every Maricopa County resident has a safe place to live and has every opportunity to succeed in school, in life, and in work. This support is crucial, as The Phoenix Rescue Mission, a local non-profit organization serving persons facing hunger and homelessness, estimates that on any given day there are more than 9,000 men, women, and children struggling through various stages of homelessness in Maricopa County. Some reside in tent cities or in their cars, others reside in shelters or hotels, and many remain unsheltered.

VSUW's Housing and Homelessness prevention initiative mirrors SRP with its efforts dedicated to supporting services, programs, and agencies that prioritize social determinants and wraparound services that prevent housing insecurity and homelessness and stabilize families. As the outcomes of our homelessness prevention goals are met, a stronger infrastructure will be built in Maricopa County to effectively serve those facing housing instability. There will be greater housing stability, and ultimately, this will play a significant role in meeting VSUW's overarching goal of reducing homelessness in Maricopa County by 50% by 2026. These homelessness prevention efforts will foster a more compassionate and resilient community that will thrive for generations to come.

Project/Program Description:

NEED: Maricopa County is one of the fastest-growing metro areas in the country, adding nearly half a million people since 2015. While this growth is good for our local economy, population growth drives higher demand for housing, which drives up costs, leaving some residents struggling to use 50% or more of their income on housing. This, combined with the economic and health impacts of COVID-19, puts Maricopa County at the forefront of national eviction rates. According to the 2024 Point-In-Time (PIT) Homeless Count by the Maricopa Regional Continuum of Care, an estimated 9,642 Maricopa County residents, including 1,240 children under 18, are currently homeless. The number of individuals entering homelessness far exceeds those exiting, straining existing resources (19 enter for every 10 that exit). For these individuals, housing insecurity is often intertwined with other hardships encompassing heightened food insecurity, academic struggles, and significant impacts on health care resources, crime and safety, the workforce, and the use of tax dollars.

PROGRAM GOALS: To address the cascading negative impacts housing insecurity and homelessness have on the greater community, VSUW has established the following goal and strategies which shape our Housing and Homelessness prevention activities:

Housing and Homelessness Focus: Ensure all can have a safe home to call their own.

Overall Goal: Reduce homelessness by 50% by 2026.

Strategies:

Strategy 1: Prevention and Assistance

Strategy 2: Decrease Housing Insecurity

ACTIVITIES: VSUW's Housing and Homelessness prevention initiative is a collection of housing and financial capability programs for youth and families who are experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. In collaboration with more than 100 programmatic partners, VSUW identifies at-risk Maricopa County residents and distributes crucial resources including rent/utility assistance, housing navigators (trained staff members who assist individuals and families in finding short and long-term housing solutions), and wraparound services. Program partners include local agencies with decades of collective experience serving some of Maricopa County's most vulnerable residents, and include respected organizations such as UMOM New Day Centers, St. Joseph the Worker, Mercy House Living Centers, Chicanos por la Causa and Tempe Community Action Agency. Through these partnerships, the Housing and Homelessness prevention initiative conducts the following activities:

*Provide services and programs that prioritize social determinants and wraparound services that prevent homelessness and assist those at-risk of experiencing homelessness.

*Decrease individuals' and families' rate of housing insecurity by providing rent/utility/legal assistance, housing navigators, and eviction prevention.

*Demonstrate regional leadership through collaboration of advancing housing and homeless services.

*Improve systems with housing and homelessness services to reduce barriers to entry for communities of color and vulnerable populations.

Funding for Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25) will allow VSUW to further our prevention work by collaborating with program partners to broaden the safety net of available prevention services that serve as a crucial lifeline for families in crisis.

Program Metrics:

As part of the overarching Mighty Change 2026 initiative, VSUW consistently tracks the following metrics/desired outcomes in the Housing and Homelessness focus area:

Metric 1: Prevention and Assistance

Metric 2: Decrease Housing Insecurity

VSUW relies on the long-standing support of our more than 100 program partners to collect, evaluate, and share data pertaining to all Housing and Homelessness prevention activities. In addition to the outcomes tracked by VSUW, these partners may track additional results specific to their organization's activities (e.g., number of individuals/households enrolled in SNAP or WIC, number of healthcare appointments provided, number of individuals served by housing navigators). Program partners share these additional metrics with VSUW to help the organization evaluate the total impact of the Housing and Homelessness prevention initiative.

During the 2023-24 program year, across all Housing and Homelessness prevention activities VSUW served a total of 41,652 individuals. VSUW intentionally assists individuals and families who earn less than the federal poverty level and demonstrate an increased need for financial assistance. Approximately 98% of those who receive services through VSUW fall within the low-to-moderate income category, and programs are intentionally embedded in neighborhoods experiencing high rates of poverty. We estimate that the majority of individuals served will come from communities of color (Black -- 25%, Hispanic -- 17%, American Indian -- 5%, Asian -- 1%, and Multiracial -- 1%). Based on past programming, we estimate the program will benefit individuals of all ages: Children (birth-17 years) -- 18%, Young Adults (18-24 years) -- 10%, Adults (25-54 years) -- 46%, and Seniors (55+ years) -- 22% (with 4% age not reported). VSUW's geographic scope is Maricopa County, and the majority of our housing and homelessness supports take place in Downtown/Central Phoenix and South Phoenix.

Intended Use of SRP Funds:

VSUW respectfully requests a cash grant in the amount of \$160,000, the first \$125,000 of which will support our Housing and Homelessness prevention programming. Each dollar will support overall program expenses, including: 1) Increased investments in services and programs that prioritize wraparound services that assist those experiencing homelessness; 2) Services which decrease individuals' and families' rate of housing insecurity through targeted investments of rent/utility assistance, housing navigators, and eviction prevention and family shelters that move households out of crisis.

Demonstrating the impact of the Housing and Homelessness prevention initiative, the following testimonial follows Lindy and her children, who were served by one of the collaborative programs falling under the umbrella of VSUW's Housing and Homelessness prevention programming: As a single mother and airport employee, Lindy struggled to find affordable childcare for her two young daughters. Fortunately, Lindy learned about the City of Phoenix Airport Workers Child Care Scholarship Program, a collaborative effort between Valley of the Sun United Way, the City of Phoenix, and First Things First. This program allowed Lindy to access affordable and reliable childcare, enrolling her daughters in a qualified program within walking distance of their home. The scholarship eliminated a significant logistical barrier for Lindy as a working single parent.

VSUW is also respectfully requesting \$20,000 for the organization's School Readiness Kits (SRKs), which will be distributed to families with preschool to kindergarten-age children who are experiencing homelessness. These kits provide age-appropriate reading materials designed to enhance literacy skills for diverse youth from underprivileged backgrounds. Funds will be used to purchase kit materials (e.g., three bilingual books per kit, scissors, crayons, journal) for approximately 4000 kits.

The remaining \$15,000 will provide SRP with a sponsorship as an AV/TECH partner to support We Are UNITED, an annual fundraising event which helps the organization procure funds for and celebrate the continuation of the MC2026 program and each of its focus areas (Health, Housing and Homelessness, Education, and Workforce Development).

SRP Sponsorship Benefits:

VSUW is incredibly grateful for SRP's ongoing generosity, as SRP's continued donations have helped the organization serve thousands of at-risk Maricopa County residents through a collection of county-wide programs. VSUW has been honored to recognize SRP as an official sponsoring partner in the past and would be thrilled to do so again for the upcoming We Are UNITED event. This annual program convenes program partners, corporate funders, and community members to share success stories and showcase the collective impact of their generous donations. VSUW will recognize an SRP contribution of \$15,000 by providing the following AV/TECH-level sponsoring partner opportunities:

*Special mention from the podium

*Table of 10

*Logo placement in program

*Recognition in event communications

*Logo recognition on website, digital screens, and event signage

*Social media recognition

VSUW is also requesting an in-kind gift for an additional sponsorship opportunity. The Phoenix Business Journal recently honored leaders and organizations at its annual Corporate Philanthropy Awards in October 2024. This event, as well as the Nonprofit Business Summit, separately convene business and nonprofit leaders from across the Phoenix Metropolitan Area in celebration of the various community initiatives and investments that help to make more positive changes for underserved community members. In 2025 The Phoenix Business Journal will be merging these two events into one -- creating a cross-sector space where both for-profit and non-profit community leaders can share ideas, data, and stories of success. In lieu of this merge, VSUW is respectfully requesting a \$34,000 in-kind sponsorship from SRP, which will support SRP as the Title 1 Sponsor while sharing co-branding benefits with VSUW. Both organizations will realize extensive recognition (as previously mentioned) among nonprofit and corporate sectors.

Finally, in recognition of a \$20,000 gift in support of SRKs, VSUW would be pleased to provide another branding awareness opportunity by placing the SRP logo sticker on the inside cover of an SRK book.

Other Sources of Funding:

Each year VSUW employs a robust funding strategy to ensure the sustainable continuation of our programs. This strategy includes soliciting funds from a diverse array of governmental, corporate, and foundation sources in addition to generous individual donors through workplace giving and fundraising events. Having diverse funding streams ensures that VSUW can successfully implement our five-year Mighty Change 2026 strategic plan and each of its core focus areas. Specific to the Housing and Homelessness initiative, the following is a current list of secured and pending funders:

SRP (this request) - \$135,000 Pending

APS - \$440,000 Pending

Nationwide - \$100,000 Pending

Projected Individuals - \$320,000 Pending

Siemer Foundation - \$165,000 Secured

PNC - \$50,000 Secured

Wells Fargo - \$75,000 Secured

BMO Harris - \$150,000 Secured

Major Gifts - \$100,000 Secured

VSUW intentionally collaborates with hundreds of stakeholders, program partners, and community representatives to help leverage resources, data, and best practices to facilitate change. The organization has long been honored to act as a convener, utilizing a collaborative approach to accomplish its mission to provide services and resources to vulnerable community members to ensure their basic needs are met. In pursuit of VSUW's goals to ensure all Maricopa County residents have a safe place to live, the organization partners with nonprofits, schools, government agencies, corporations, philanthropic organizations, and generous private donors who all support the Housing and Homelessness initiative's activities.

Similar Organizations:

VSUW differentiates itself from similar organizations through its extensive collaboration with more than 300 nonprofit, private, and public partners to advance organizational goals in the focus area of Housing and Homelessness. This county-wide network, in combination with VSUW's over 90-year history, positions VSUW as one of the most established human services agencies in Maricopa County, enabling other organizations to deliver impactful services that address critical community needs.

What sets VSUW apart is its role as a convener of multiple sectors, often serving as the backbone organization to many initiatives. By bringing together various nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and corporate entities, VSUW fosters large-scale, multi-partner initiatives that drive significant results across Maricopa County. This collaborative approach enhances the effectiveness of the organization's Housing and Homelessness initiative while allowing VSUW to maintain a consistent focus on its Mighty Goals for the community, facilitating the formation of coalitions and action teams dedicated to making lasting change in the community.

Letter Signer & Title:

Juana Hernandez, Community Stewardship Representative Sr.

Internal Comments:

Operating support for the Housing and Homelessness prevention programming (\$125,000); Operating support for the School Readiness Kits (SRKs) (\$20,000); Sponsor the We Are UNITED event (\$15,000) on March 18, 2025; and In-Kind support for Co-Branded Sponsorship of the Phoenix Business Journal's Corporate Philanthropy Awards and Nonprofit Business Summit (\$34,000).

Attachments

In-Kind Supporting Documentation: VSUW In-Kind Details and Benefits.pdf

Sponsorship Packet: 2025 We Are United Breakfast Sponsorship Packet.pdf

Current Year Budget: FYE2025 VSUW Budget.pdf
Last Year's Budget: VSUW - FYE 2024 Budget.pdf
Program Budget: VSUW FY25 Program Budget.pdf

Audited Financial Statements: FY24 VSUW Audited Financial Statements.pdf
Board of Directors Listing: VSUW BOD Roster (Affiliations) 2025 07.30.pdf
List of Corporate Contributors: Anticipated FY25 Corporate Donors.docx

Additional Attachment (1): Additional Attachment (2):

Signed Letter & Non PO Payment Form:

Number of Events: 1

Event One

Event 1 Event Name: We Are UNITED

Event 1 Date: 2025-03-18

Event 1 Location: Sheraton Phoenix downtown

340 North 3rd Street

Phoenix, Arizona 85004

Event 1 Number of Attendees: 800 Event 1 Cash Requested: 15000

Event 1 In-Kind Requested: 0

Event 1 Other Event Info:

Each year VSUW hosts We are UNITED, an annual fundraising event and celebration of the previous year's accomplishments toward the organization's Mighty Goals for Maricopa County. This event gathers some of the community's most generous residents and is an opportunity for local leaders and stakeholders to convene and support VSUW's charitable activities. The event will include inspirational speakers, engaging and interactive programming, a showcase of VSUW's work and its impact, and a meal provided to attendees. All proceeds from the event will help fund VSUW's efforts to create Mighty Change in the areas of Health, Housing and Homelessness, Education, and Workforce Development. These focus areas will help improve conditions for vulnerable children and families throughout Maricopa County, ensuring their basic needs are met while promoting community unity.

SRP Volunteer Opportunities? 1: Yes

Event 1 Net Proceeds Previous Year: \$227,000.00

Event 1 Other Event Sponsors: Yes

Event 1 Other Sponsors and Dollar

Amount:

Below is the list of corporate sponsors listed to date. Many other sponsorship requests are currently pending. (Note: This list does not include individuals who have made personal sponsorships toward the event.)

Committed:

USAA - \$25,000

SkyMed International \$10,000

Sprouts \$15,000 CopperPoint \$8,000

ASU \$5,000 EY \$3,000

Phoenix Chamber \$3,000 Dignity Health - \$2,500

Event 1 Promo Booth: No

Custom Report:

Event 1 Name - Approved:
Event 1 Date - Approved:
Event 2 Name - Approved:
Event 2 Date - Approved:
Event 3 Name - Approved:
Event 3 Date - Approved:

Is your payee information different than No your organization information that was previously provided?:

Payment

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Score	Scanned Entity	Match	WatchList Name	WatchList Detail	
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96%	Maria Mendoza (Contact Full Name)	MENDOZA, MARIA TERESA	OIG Exclusions	MENDOZA, MARIA TERESA Listing: MENDOZA, MARIA TERESA - Individual Address: P O BOX 1143 GLENDALE AZ 85311 Occupation: IND- LIC HC SERV PRO Occupation: NURSE/NURSES AIDE DOB: 1957-10-25 Incident: 1128b4	

95%	Nikki Smith (Contact Full Name)	SMITH, NICOLE	Excluded Party List System (EPLS)	SMITH, NICOLE Listing: SMITH, NICOLE - Individual Reason: Reciprocal Address: INDIANAPOLIS IN 46221 USA Other: Active Date Other: Excluding Agency Other: Excluding Program Other: Excluding Type Other: Termination Date
94%	Carolyn Grove (Contact Full Name)	GROVE, CAROL T	OIG Exclusions	GROVE, CAROL T Listing: GROVE, CAROL T - Individual Address: 1125 W DAUPHINE STREET, B PHILADELPHIA PA 19133 Occupation: INDIVIDUAL (UNAFFILI Occupation: PERSONAL CARE PROVID DOB: 1950-07-13 Incident: 1128a1

Last Scanned By: Karla Esparza

Last Scanned Time: 2024-12-19 16:46:00 EST **Reason for scan:** Submission for Approval

Scan results accepted: by Karla Esparza (KE) on 2024-12-19 16:46:10 EST

Approval

Requested Amount: \$160,000.00 *Recommended Amount: \$135,000.00

Prior Approved Grants: •2013 - - \$314,150.00

•2013 - - \$343,574.00

•2014 - - \$100.00

•2014 - - \$350,000.00

•2014 - - \$9,000.00

•2015 - - \$340,000.00

•2018 - General Support - \$355,200.00

•2019 - General Support & Sponsorship - \$365,720.00

•2020 - General Support and Sponsorship - \$376,542.00

•2020 - COVID-19 Relief Funds - \$100,000.00

•2021 - General Support & Sponsorship - \$285,000.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$5,833.25

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$5,735.75

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$4,003.50

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$5,276.90

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$2,547.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$2,532.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$2,595.00

2022 - Fayron Deduction Grant - \$2,595.00

•2022 - General Support & Sponsorship - \$235,000.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$2,896.50

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$90.00

•2022 - 2021 Loaned Executive Program Commitment - \$9,000.00

•2022 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$693.10

•2023 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$5,895.95

•2023 - Payroll Deduction Grant - \$4,058.00

- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$3,975.40
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$3,239.40
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$3,233.40
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$4,859.10
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$7,347.70
- 2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$1,375.00
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$720.00
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$2,948.70
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$1,996.80
- 2023 General Support & Sponsorship \$235,000.00
- 2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$3,831.40
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$5,747.10
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$10.00
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$5,410.40
- •2023 Loaned Executive Sponsorship \$9,000.00
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$3,942.40
- •2023 Payroll Deduction Grant \$3,700.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$2,931.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$2,619.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$3,936.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$2,644.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$394.00
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- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$2,550.00
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- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$2,543.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$2,918.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$430.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$1,700.00
- •2024 Mighty Change 2026 and We Are UNITED \$235,000.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$3,732.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$1,863.00
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$3,851.40
- •2024 Payroll Deduction Grant \$2,488.00
- •2025 Housing and Homelessness and We Are UNITED \$185,000.00
- •2025 Payroll Deduction Grant \$51.00
- •2025 Payroll Deduction Grant \$4,615.85
- •2025 Payroll Deduction Grant \$2,936.00
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Request Status: Pending

Approval Step 1: Owner Step Definition

Performed By: Karla Esparza / Community Engagement Strategist

Completed: 2024-12-19
Result: Defined

Approval Step 2: Recommend / Do Not Recommend

Performed By: Juana Hernandez / Sr. Representative Community Stewardship

Completed: 2025-01-21

Result: Recommended

Comments: Approved. Operating support for the Housing and Homelessness prevention

programming (\$125,000); Sponsor the We Are UNITED event on March 18, 2025

(\$10,000).

February Committee Meeting

Approval Step 3: Request Owner Approval

Performed By:
Completed:
Result:
Comments:

Contact

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