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DATE: November 2, 2006

TO: City Council

FROM: Sofia Balderrama, Management Analyst III [Signature]  
Recreation and Community Services

SUBJECT: **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Youth Enrichment Program Subrecipient Agreements for FY 06-07**

**RECOMMENDATION**

That City Council:

1. Approve the allocation of \$68,597 in CDBG Youth Enrichment Program funds to three non-profit community based organizations: Camp Fire USA (A-6790 for \$15,000), City Impact Inc., (A-6791 for \$15,000) and Food Share, Inc. (A-6792 for \$38,597).
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute CDBG subrecipient agreements requiring such groups to provide enrichment programs that target at-risk youth from very low and low-moderate income families.

**DISCUSSION**

During City Council's consideration of the recommended FY 06-07 CDBG budget, Council approved the maximum amount allowable under CDBG regulations (15 percent of the entitlement plus program income) for appropriating to Public Service programs targeting at-risk youth. In keeping with Council's direction, the CDBG Public Services allocation provides for continued funding to the Police Activity League (PAL) (\$160,977), the Colonia Gymnasium (\$51,328), the Colonia Boxing Center (\$19,225), the After School Program (\$105,000), and City Corps (\$23,629). The remainder of the funds (\$68,597) set aside for youth are made available to non-profit community based organizations solicited through the Request For Proposal (RFP) process.

As part of the RFP process, a Citizens Ad Hoc Review Committee ("the Committee") was formed to review and select CDBG eligible youth enrichment programs from the proposals that were submitted totaling \$103,153. The Committee was comprised of six members from the community with diverse backgrounds. A youth representative also served on the Committee.

The Committee's selection of the proposals was based on the criteria set forth by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to benefit very low and low-moderate income persons, determined either on an individual basis or by area census tract.

Proposals submitted were required to demonstrate new or enhanced services to at-risk youth in one of the following priority areas:

- (1) Educational enhancement (tutoring, remediation in basic skills),
- (2) Employment educational training (resume writing, career development, job skills training, etc.),
- (3) Specialized programs focusing on youth services clients of the juvenile justices system, and
- (4) Family counseling and parenting skills training for families with identified at-risk youth in the home.

The proposals that were selected by the Committee for Council's approval include:

<u>Non-Profit Agency:</u>	<u>Proposed Program</u>	<u>Recommended Grant Award:</u>
<b>Camp Fire USA Of Ventura County</b>	<b><i>I'm Peer Proof</i></b> Proposes to provide assertiveness training courses to approximately 2,250 to 2,400 elementary school students during the regular day in the Oxnard School District. The course will teach pre-teens how to resist negative peer pressure.	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>City Impact, Inc.</b>	<b><i>Student Support Groups</i></b> Proposes to provide student support groups to approximately 400 elementary and jr. high students in the Oxnard School District. Students will learn ways to improve their self-esteem and self-perception. They will learn about the dangers of alcohol and substance abuse, as well as prevention of gang involvement.	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>Food Share, Inc.</b>	<b><i>Kids Café</i></b> Proposes to provide essential nutritious snacks to 450 school aged children at various locations in Oxnard.	<b>\$38,597</b>
	<b>TOTAL CDBG FUNDS AVAILABLE:</b>	<b>\$68,597</b>

In order to insure compliance with all federal, state and local regulations, proposals were screened by the City's Grants Management office.

If approved, staff will prepare and execute CDBG subrecipient agreements with the three grantees.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

As part of the FY 06-07 budget, City Council approved \$68,597 in CDBG funds (account number 285-5312-804-8209) to disburse to non-profit community based organizations that provide activities for at-risk youth and that participated in the RFP process. Staff is requesting council's approval of the Committee's selection and recommendation to award grants to three non-profit community based organizations totaling \$68,597.

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