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TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Deputy City Manager

SUBJECT

Community Agency Funding: Fiscal Year 2021 Community Agency Funding Recommendations for Social Services; Arts & Music; and Infrastructure, Economic Development, and Public Services; and Overview of the FY 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan and FY 2021 Annual Action Plan

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council:

1. Conducts a work session regarding the FY 2021 Community Agency Funding recommendations prepared by the Community Services Commission,
2. Reviews and comments on the draft funding recommendations, and
3. Reviews and comments on the overview of the FY 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan and FY 2021 Annual Action Plan.

SUMMARY

This report provides an overview of the FY 2021 Community Agency Funding process, the Community Services Commission (CSC) Application Review Committees' (ARCs) proposed funding recommendations for consideration by the CSC, and next steps in the funding process. Funding is allocated from two sources: Hayward's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) annual entitlement and the City's General Fund.

Notably, there were significantly more applicants for FY 2021 funding compared to previous years, and no comparable increase in available FY 2021 funds. Therefore, the ARCs were faced with challenging decisions about how to allocate funds to provide resources and services for those in the community who need it the most. The proposed funding is summarized by category in Table 1 on the following page and in detail in Attachment II.

While the CSC developed their initial recommendations in February, they met again on March 18, 2020, and gave staff further guidance to prioritize food security, housing, and homelessness services in response to the growing COVID-19 pandemic, should any additional funds become available. Staff used that guidance to allocate emergency CDBG COVID-19 relief funds (CDBG-CV) from the 2020 CARES Act. On April 28, 2020, Council approved a Substantial Amendment to the City's FY 2020 Annual Action Plan,

enabling the City to allocate \$1.5 million in currently uncommitted CDBG entitlement funds (\$571,365) and emergency relief funds from the 2020 CARES Act (\$902,238) to public services and economic development activities intended to support vulnerable individuals, families, and small businesses impacted by the pandemic.

This report summarizes the funding recommendations for the portion of the City’s annual entitlement of CDBG funds for economic development, infrastructure, and public services (\$1,247,869), and \$536,950 in General Fund monies for social services and arts and music programs. The report also concludes with a high-level overview of the Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD) required FY 2021-2025 Consolidated Plan, which specifies the City’s priority needs and goals for using CDBG entitlement funds over the next five years.

Table 1. Summary of Recommended Funding Allocation by Category

Funding Source	Category	Recipient	Amount
General Fund	Arts & Music	Community Agencies	\$82,000
General Fund	Social Services	Community Agencies	\$404,950
CDBG	Economic Development/Infrastructure	Community Agencies	\$645,784
CDBG	Public Services	Community Agencies	\$247,085
CDBG	Infrastructure	City-Operated Program	\$300,000
CDBG	COH Infrastructure Admin	Community Agency	\$30,000
<i>Total ARC Recommended Grants</i>			<i>\$1,709,819</i>
General Fund	Referral Services	Eden I&R	\$50,000
CDBG	HUD-Required Fair Housing Services	Community Agency	\$25,000
<i>Total Referral Services and HUD Required Fair Housing</i>			<i>\$75,000</i>
GRAND TOTAL FY 2021 RECOMMENDED FUNDING (ALL SOURCES)			\$1,784,819

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment I Staff Report
- Attachment II Funding Recommendations