

Summary of Actions



Council Subcommittee on the Contributions Assistance Program Agenda

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

AVONDALE CITY HALL | OCOTILLO CONFERENCE ROOM
11465 WEST CIVIC CENTER DRIVE | AVONDALE, AZ 85323

REGULAR MEETING

4:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER
ROLL CALL

1. MINUTES

The Council Subcommittee **approved** the April 22, 2019 meeting minutes.

2. CONTRIBUTIONS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION REVIEW

The Council Subcommittee **reviewed** eligible applications and **made** recommendations to City Council.

3. Adjournment

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**MINUTES OF THE AVONDALE CITY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE ON CONTRIBUTIONS
ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**
CITY OF AVONDALE, ARIZONA
CITY HALL – OCTOLLO CONFERENCE ROOM
June 12, 2019

A **Regular Meeting** of the Council Subcommittee on the Contributions Assistance Program of the City of Avondale, Arizona was convened at 11465 Civic Center Drive in open and public session at 4:39 p.m.

Members Present: Subcommittee Members Tina Conde, Veronica Malone, and Curtis Nielson.

Members Absent: None.

Other Municipal Officials Present: Chris Lopez, Neighborhood and Family Services Director; Sheryl Steele, Family Services Manager; Erin Lutz, Senior Programs Coordinator and Marcella Carrillo, City Clerk.

Call to Order
Roll Call

1. MINUTES

Subcommittee Member Malone moved to approve the April 22, 2019 meeting minutes; seconded by Subcommittee Member Nielson.

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously 3 to 0.

Subcommittee Member Conde	Aye
Subcommittee Member Malone	Aye
Subcommittee Member Nielson	Aye

2. CONTRIBUTIONS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION REVIEW

Mr. Lopez and Ms. Steele presented the recommended “no funding” for the following agencies:

- **\$0 - Southwest Valley Literacy** applied but the organization is in the process of shutting down. Therefore, the agency withdrew their application.
- **\$0 - Tolleson Union High School District** applied but based on the established guidelines, they are not designated as a 501(c)3 and therefore, not eligible for funding.
- **\$0 - A Beacon of Hope Community Center** scored the lowest based off staff scoring. They are a new organization with a good program, but their reach was not very strong. The finance workshop that they were offering did not provide very good deliverables and their application was weak being a new organization with a high amount as their minimum request. Subcommittee Member Conde agreed with staff’s recommendation.

- **\$0 - Manny Murillo Scholarship Fund** did not provide a lot of guidelines and did not show proof of matching funding. Subcommittee Member Malone provided brief history regarding the agency and stated she would like to fund the agency but was open to hearing the thoughts of the other members. Subcommittee Members Conde and Nielson both noted the lack of curriculum/guidelines in the program. It was a consensus among the group to not fund the applicant this year.
- **\$0 - CO-HOOTS Foundation** lacked quality in their application and did not respond to questions fully in the application.
- **\$0 - Comfort Shield**, a new agency, lacked structure in their application. Staff stated this is an agency that could benefit from coaching.
- **\$0 - Reveille Foundation** scored low on their application and staff identified several programs already available for Avondale veterans.
- **\$0 - West Valley Trail Alliance** did not fit into the requirement of the overall health and welfare of the community.
- **\$0 - Junior Achievement** was limited to Wildflower Elementary School which is not located within Avondale.

Discussion continued regarding the following agencies:

- **Pendergast Elementary Community Foundation** applied but their application did not state how they would reach the 30 thousand residents, and their high minimum was the same as their maximum. Subcommittee Members Conde noted positively on the Stand Up Speak Up Conference event. Mr. Lopez stated since they are working towards funding an event, an amount of \$5,000 would still have a positive impact for the agency.
- **Trellis** strong partner with Avondale, providing first time homebuyer education but they asked for \$10,000 as their minimum and maximum request. Staff recommends funding the agency at \$5,000 if the applicant is interested, as the amount is lower than their minimum requested. The Subcommittee was in consensus with funding of \$5,000.
- **Helping Families in Need** a community partner that provides a no charge service for ACCESS applications. They have a long history with Avondale and they provide a vital service to the community. Ms. Steele explained the agency is no longer receiving funding through the First Things First grant, but the city is assisting by providing space at the Resource Center. Staff recommended funding, but their minimum request was \$8,000.
- **A New Leaf, Inc. Siemer** program within the schools to assist students facing homelessness. It was consensus to fund the agency, but Subcommittee Member

Malone requested more outreach within the community and not just within the downtown area.

- **St. Johns Vianny Pantry** is not restricted to federal funding, so the agency can provide immediate assistance to the community. Staff noted on a concern of the agency's lack of data. It was consensus among the group to fund \$5,000 but they would like to focus on utilities and provide an update to Council at a future date.
- **Agua Fria Food & Clothing Bank** applied for funding for a vehicles project, which was a different project from the previous year. Subcommittee Member Malone requested the Subcommittee fund the full amount. Subcommittee Member Conde excused herself from the conversation as she is a member on the board for this agency.
- **Chicanos por la causa** applied for funding for parenting classes which is a duplication of other services that are provided through the Resource Center.
- **Diana Gregory Outreach** provides an in-home service and delivers fresh produce to residents. Subcommittee Member Malone is interested in where the produce is coming from and requested staff advise Ms. Gregory of the produce available through Littleton Elementary.
- **Boys and Girls Club in Metropolitan Phoenix** provides a safe place for children to attend while parents are at school. The agency provides food and activities for children of the community. Staff recommends funding this agency as they provide a huge service that the children of Avondale benefit from. Subcommittee Member Malone inquired on the amount the agency receives from the Mayor's golf tournament, staff was unsure of the exact amount.

Subcommittee Member Malone moved to recommend the funding listed below; seconded by Subcommittee Member Conde. Council Member Conde recused herself and abstained from the discussion and voting on the funding to the Agua Fria Food and Clothing Bank.

Applicant Name	Recommendation
St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance	\$ 5,000.00
Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix	\$ 3,400.00
Community Bridges	\$ 8,500.00
Mission of Mercy	\$ 4,000.00
Jobs for Arizona's Graduates	\$ 2,500.00
Homeless Youth Connection	\$ 3,500.00
A New Leaf, Inc. Siemer	\$ 6,000.00
Lutheran Social Services	\$ 7,500.00
New Life Center	\$ 5,000.00
AZ Burn Foundation	\$ 1,600.00
Southwest Human Development	\$ 3,000.00
Southwest Valley YMCA	\$ 4,000.00

Helping Families in Need	\$ 8,000.00
Benevilla	\$ 2,500.00
Chicanos por la Causa	\$ 2,500.00
Mutts on a Mission	\$ 1,000.00
Agua Fria Food & Clothing Bank	\$ 8,000.00
Teen Lifeline	\$ 2,500.00
Junior Achievement	\$ -
Diana Gregory Outreach	\$ 3,000.00
Phoenix Cancer Support Network	\$ 1,000.00
Trellis	\$ 5,000.00
Reveille Foundation	\$ -
West Valley Trail Alliance	\$ -
CO-HOOTS Foundation	\$ -
Cornerstone Community Development	\$ 2,500.00
St. John Vianny Pantry	\$ 5,000.00
Comfort Shield	\$ -
Pendergast Elementary Community Foundation	\$ 5,000.00
Manny Murillo Scholarship Fund	\$ -
A Beacon of Hope Community Center	\$ -

Upon vote, the motion was carried unanimously 3 to 0.

Subcommittee Member Conde Aye
Subcommittee Member Malone Aye
Subcommittee Member Nielson Aye

3. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Subcommittee, the meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

CERTIFICATION AND ATTESTATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council Subcommittee of the City of Avondale held on the 12nd day of June 2019. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that the quorum was present.

Marcella Carrillo, CMC
City Clerk