

YOUTH COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

April 12, 2023
Item 3

TITLE: DISCUSS POTENTIAL GRANT PROGRAM FOR PLEASANTON YOUTH

SUMMARY

At its March 8, 2023 meeting, Commissioner Prakash and Siriam proposed the commission discuss creating a grant program for Pleasanton youth providing services in the community. The Youth Commission unanimously voted in favor of discussing the item at a future meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

Discuss potential grant program for Pleasanton youth.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

There is no financial impact for this item.

BACKGROUND

Beginning in Fiscal Year 1995/96, the City of Pleasanton initiated a formal funding application process for community-based organizations providing youth services. These grant requests are reviewed annually by the Youth Commission with funding recommendations forwarded to City Council. The Community Grant program youth category receives \$40,000 annually to allocate to community-based organizations serving youth.

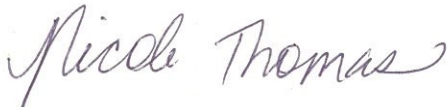
DISCUSSION

To qualify for funding an organization must be a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, have a Pleasanton resident on its governing board, and obtain a Pleasanton business license. These requirements may be out of reach for students, informal student clubs or organizations making the community grant funds inaccessible.

At its March 8, 2023 meeting, the commission requested a discussion on creating a grant program for youth in Pleasanton. The City of Pleasanton Community grant program currently provides annual funding for nonprofit organizations that serve Pleasanton youth. Commissioners commented, however, that there are youth providing services to Pleasanton youth who might benefit from funding but would not meet the qualifications of the Community Grant program.

Commissioners are asked to start to discuss the feasibility and need of a grant program for youth.

Submitted by:

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