



Committee Minutes
Meeting: 9/10/2020 1:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Sallie Parks, Lisa Carrillo, Ayakao Watkins, Elithia Stanfield, Erin Baird, Carlos Senior, Carrie Root, Carl Lavender, Jomar Lopez

Committee Members Absent: n/a

Staff Support: David Bender, Cheri Wright-Jones, Brittany Baldwin, Duggan Cooley, and Dr. Barbara Morrison-Rodriguez, Bette Anthony

The meeting began at 1:00 PM, taking place by Zoom Webinar videoconference call. 6 applications were reviewed with a total of \$1,051,017.69 being requested. As explained by PCF Staff, the Front Porch CDA, Inc. request was pulled from review at today's meeting and has been rescheduled for review on October 1, 2020. It was not counted as one of the the 6 application reviewed during the meeting.

Recusals: n/a

Note applications will be grouped by category, such as food, behavioral health, and eviction mitigation requests.

A total of \$999,236.69 was recommended for funding as one of the six requests was deferred for future review. The meeting ended at 2:42PM.

Awarded Grants

Organization Name	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Grant Purpose	Decision Notes
The Kind Mouse Productions Inc.	\$11,155.90	\$11,155.90	In response to COVID-19, food distribution will now to shifted to deliver food to specific schools outlined in the application to provide children with food during this time.	Applicant answered all questions posed by CM's regarding clarification on personnel cost for the grant request. Overall, all CM's supported the funding and moved to support request <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elithia Stanfield motioned to approve request - Carl Lavender seconded the motion. - Committee Approval vote was unanimous

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Society of Vicent de Paul South Pinellas Inc.	\$82,330.51	\$82,330.51	Seeking funds to allowed continued functionality of their Food Center since volunteer and food donations have been extremely low due to COVID-19.	<p>Applicant answered all questions posed by CM's. All overall supported the funding and moved to support request but leaves open options for future funding request if needed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carrie Root motioned to approve request - Carl Lavender seconded the motion. - Committee Approval vote was unanimous
Advantage Village Academy	\$197,907.00	\$197,907.00	In response to COVID -19 AVA has opened up a licensed restaurant and acquired a lease of an additional building to help distribute and provide healthy food during the pandemic. Also seeking funds for delivery truck to allow for food distribution to lower income areas.	<p>Applicant answered all questions posed by CM's. Specific clarification was provided by PCF Staff Senior Program Officer, Cheri Wright-Jones, regarding the DUNS and COI information for the application as applicant provided the information on the back end to staff in the revision process prior to the committee meeting. All CM's overall supported the funding and moved to support request</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carl Lavender motioned to approve request - Erin Baird seconded the motion. - Committee Approval vote was unanimous

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Bay Area Legal Services Inc.	\$13,829.28	\$13,829.28	Seeking fund to provide legal aid to low income client in Pinellas County who are facing Eviction due to COVID-19.	<p>Applicant answered all questions posed by CM's. Specific discussion focused amount of funds requested and if staff outlined in the request could handle the amount of work that is projected with this program. Clarification was provided by the applicant to substantiate request of funding. CM's supported the funding and moved to support request</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elithia Stanfield motioned to approve request - Carrie Root seconded the motion. - Committee Approval vote was unanimous
Community Law Program	\$694,014.00	\$694,014.00	Plan to offer assistance with eviction mitigation to eligible tenants impacted by COVID-19 in a holistic setting.	<p>Applicant answered all questions posed by the committee. Specific clarification was provided by the applicant regarding percentages of closing costs. Overall, CM's supported the request and moved for approval.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carrie Root motioned to approve request - Erin Baird seconded the motion. - Committee Approval vote was unanimous
TOTAL REQUESTED:	\$999,236.69			
TOTAL AWARDED:	\$999,236.69			

Deferred Grants

Organization Name	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded	Grant Purpose	Decision Notes
<p style="text-align: center;">CASA (Community Action Stops Abuse) Inc.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">\$51,781.00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">n/a</p>	<p>Seeking funds to cover technology costs as CASA will adapt to advocate for clients digitally in order to maintain COVID-19 protocols so that survivors who need support can continue to get it as needed.</p>	<p>Discussion regarding reimbursement documentation and whether requests for reimbursement is related to COVID-19. This discussion resulted in the deferment of this request until the October 1, 2020 Cares Meeting. Applicant will work with PCF staff for the next two weeks to ensure that all reimbursement documentation is provided and clarification is sound as to how reimbursement requests are directly related to COVID-19.</p>