City of Calistoga Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Spitler, City Manager

DATE: September 1, 2015

SUBJECT: Community Enrichment Grant Awards

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:

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Richard D. Spitler, City Manager

ISSUE: Consideration to Adopt a Resolution Authorizing 2015/2016 Community Enrichment Grant Awards.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution.

BACKGROUND: The City Council established objectives for the Fiscal Year 2015/2016 Community Enrichment Grant Program (CEG) through the adoption of Resolution No. 2015-084 (copy attached), and established a review subcommittee consisting of Councilmember Kraus and Councilmember Lopez-Ortega.

Staff sent out Community Enrichment Grant applications to non-profit groups and received six (6) application requests seeking cash funding in the amount of \$10,950.00 for Fiscal Year 2015/2016. The 2015/2016 Fiscal Year budget includes cash funding for CEG up to a \$20,000 level.

DISCUSSION: The subcommittee met on August 13, 2015 to evaluate the CEG requests against the objectives outlined in Resolution No. 2015-084, and with the constraint of the established budget amount the subcommittee recognized the value of each of the requests, but was confronted with funding demands in excess of the budget available. The subcommittee chose to reduce some of the requests in an effort to provide funding of a meaningful level within the established budget limit; therefore not all applicants received the requested funding.

The conclusion of the evaluation by the subcommittee results in the following recommendation for funding:

NAME OF PROGRAM	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED
Calistoga Art Center*	\$6,000
Calistoga Cares – food bank	\$750
Calistoga Christmas Bazaar	\$1,500
Calistoga Rotary- Bocce courts	\$3,000
UpValley Family Center (CJUSD After School Program	n) \$2,500
Wine Country Animal Lovers**	\$2,500
TOTAL	\$16,250

* The Council may consider additional funding later this year if the program has a favorable showing.

** This is to be the last year that the City should fund for animal care services of this nature, as Petaluma Animal Services Foundation provides animal control services starting July 1st.

CONSISTANCY WITH CITY COUNCIL GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: The recommended action supports the FY 2015/16 City Council Goal No. 1, Objective 2 by providing funding to promote the qualities of Calistoga that are attractive to residents and visitors.

FISCAL IMPACT: The adopted 2015/2016 Fiscal Year budget contains \$20,000 in funding for this program. \$16,250 will be awarded in Community Enrichment Grants. This will leave \$3,750 for the remainder of the fiscal year either to augment the awards listed above or to address an unexpected community need.

ATTACHMENTS:

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- Draft Resolution
- 49 2. Grant applications
- 50 3. Resolution No. 2015-084

\$6,000

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ATTEST: KATHY FLAMSON, City Clerk