

Date: May 20, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Councilwoman Cindy Allen

Subject: Funds Transfers to support community events

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation to increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$8,500 offset by the Second Council District One-Time District Priority Funds, transferred from the Citywide Activities Department, to provide contributions of:

- \$5,000 to the St. Mary Medical Center Foundation for their Easter Walk on April 20, 2025
- \$2,500 to Zaferia Business Association for their annual Food and Music Festival on October 4, 2025
- \$1,000 to Urban Reset Foundation for their STEM Workshop on June 14, 2025; and

Decrease appropriation in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$8,500 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.

DISCUSSION

Since 1970, the St. Mary Medical Center Foundation has worked to raise funds and cultivate other resources to support life-saving programs at St. Mary Medical Center. Through special events, campaigns, grants, and major and annual gifts, the Foundation can fund capital improvements, equipment upgrades, and community benefit programs at Dignity Health – St. Mary Medical Center. Since 1997, the St. Mary Medical Center Foundation has hosted Easter Walk every spring to support those living with HIV. One

hundred percent of the proceeds from Easter Walk support efforts to provide comprehensive care for those in our community living with HIV.

The annual Food and Music Festival (FAM Fest), hosted by Heritage Farm and supported by the Zaferia Business Association, is set to take place on Saturday, October 4, 2025. This event brings together Long Beach's vibrant community of musicians, chefs, and artists while raising funds for a meaningful cause benefiting the Jonathan Jaques Children's Cancer Institute at Miller's Hospital. Guests will enjoy live music, food, and drinks, and a curated art auction, with all proceeds donated directly to the hospital. A contribution of \$2,500 would cover the costs of essential items such as event permits, licenses, and rentals.

Urban Reset Foundation is dedicated to providing mentorship, community service, and resources for kids, teens, and communities in Long Beach. They are hosting a STEM workshop where students will be provided with remote control car kits to assemble with the guidance of local teachers. A contribution of \$1,000 would cover the full cost of the kits needed for this hands-on learning experience.

This matter has been reviewed by Budget Manager Rebecca Bernstorff on May 7, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommendation requests the City Manager to provide contributions to St. Mary Medical Center Foundation, in the amount of \$5,000; Zaferia Business Association, in the amount of \$2,500; and Urban Reset Foundation, in the amount of \$1,000. The total appropriation increase of \$8,500 in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department will be offset by a decrease in appropriation of the Second Council District One-time District Priority Funds in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department. The requested action is anticipated to require a minimal level of staff hours beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and have a minimal impact on meeting other City Council priorities. There is no local job impact associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



Cindy Allen, Councilwoman, Second District