

Legislation Text

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Recommendation to increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$10,000, offset by the Sixth Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide a contribution to Tranquility Counseling Services at \$5,000, and New Generations at \$5,000, for COVID-19 basic needs programming efforts; and

Decrease appropriations in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$10,000 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.

On March 4, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom declared a State of Emergency to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). On the same day, the City Manager issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency and the Local Health Officer issued a Declaration of Local Health Emergency, which were both ratified by the City Council on March 10, 2020 and began a series of measures to protect Long Beach residents.

The COVID-19 pandemic has caused a public health and local economic emergency that affects residents, businesses, and workers in the City. The situation with the pandemic is constantly changing. Non-profit organizations have been a great asset to the community by serving as liaisons to assist with basic needs such as food, diapers, rental assistance, and shelter for residents affected by COVID-19 circumstances such as the illness itself or reduction of work hours. The three non-profit organizations listed in this recommendation are organizations rooted in the Sixth District community who have been actively working to disperse food, school supplies, and assistance to domestic violence victims. A contribution to each of these organizations will assist in additional events and programming efforts that will provide Sixth District residents with basic needs.

This matter was reviewed by Budget Manager Grace H. Yoon on September 22, 2020.

This recommendation requests the City Manager to provide a contribution to Tranquility Counseling Services at \$5,000, and New Generations at \$5,000, for COVID-19 basic needs programming efforts. The total appropriation increase in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$10,000 is offset by the Sixth Council District One-time District Priority Funds in the Citywide Activities Department. Implementing this recommendation is anticipated to result in a minimal impact on staff hours beyond normal budgeted scope of duties and is expected to have a minimal impact on existing City Council priorities.

Approve recommendation.

DEE ANDREWS VICE MAYOR, SIXTH DISTRICT