



AL COUNCILMAN
8TH DISTRICT
AUSTIN

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REVISED

Date: June 8, 2021

To: Mayor and Members of the City Council

From: Councilmember Al Austin II, Eighth District
Councilmember Roberto Uranga, Seventh District

Subject: Funds Transfer Request to Support Care Closet LBC

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Recommendation to increase appropriations in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$7,500, offset by \$5,000 in Eighth Council District One-time District Priority Funds and \$2,500 in Seventh Council District One-time District Priority Funds transferred from the Citywide Activities Department to provide a donation to Care Closet LBC to support their ongoing operations to assist and provide opportunities for people experiencing homelessness; and

Decrease appropriations in the General Fund Group in the Citywide Activities Department by \$7,500 to offset a transfer to the City Manager Department.

BACKGROUND:

Care Closet LBC is a local grassroots organization that provides direct assistance to people experiencing homelessness. The core mission of Care Closet LBC is a steadfast commitment to meeting the needs of the unhoused community, focusing on serving people where they are by attending to both their immediate needs and helping facilitate their long-term goals. From delivering sleeping bags and new shoes to providing scholarships and employment opportunities, Care Closet is helping to address one of the most urgent crises in our community. The transfer of these One-time District Priority Funds will help to support their ongoing mission during this critical time of need.

This matter has been reviewed by Budget Manager Grace H. Yoon on June 4, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This recommendation requests the City Manager to provide a contribution to Care Closet LBC to support their ongoing operations. The total appropriation increase in the General Fund Group in the City Manager Department by \$7,500 will be offset by a decrease of appropriation of \$5,000 of the Eighth Council District General Fund Group One-time District Priority Funds and \$2,500 of the Seventh Council District General Fund Group 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 the budgeted scope of duties and is expected to have minimal impact on existing City Council priorities.