

To: Members
Dunwoody City Council

From: J. Jay Vinicki
Assistant City Manager

Linda Nabers
Finance Director

Re: American Rescue Plan Grant Funding Qualified List (Second Round)

Date: 14 November 2022

Action

Authorize the following list of agencies as qualified to receive American Rescue Plan (ARP) 2 funding; authorize the city manager or designated staff to work with agencies on future agreements to distribute funding which will be brought to full City Council for approval. Inclusion on this list does not guarantee funding.

Summary/Details

The Dunwoody City Council appropriated \$2,000,000 of funding indirectly through the ARP for direct assistance programs. The city released a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) in June 2022 and a follow up in July 2023, asking not-for-profit agencies to submit information to show that they are qualified to receive this funding.

From the first round, twelve agencies were approved in the first round, with ten currently receiving funding.

- iCare Atlanta - \$100,000
- Spruill Center for the Arts - \$100,000
- Summit Counseling - \$100,000
- Stage Door Players - \$20,000 –
- St. Vincent de Paul - \$100,000
- Family Promise – \$100,000
- Jewish Family and Career Services - \$115,000 with \$15,000 of this going to Backpack Buddies
- Dunwoody Senior Baseball - \$25,000
- Dunwoody Nature Center - \$50,000
- Malachi's Warehouse - \$100,000

One agency, Dunwoody Preservation Trust, has asked to defer funding until details of their plan have been worked out. Six additional agencies are included in the second round of qualifications, bringing the total to seventeen.

This list may be amended by the City Council at a later date, both adding and removing agencies. The list will expire upon vote of City Council or expenditures of all ARP and ARP 2 funding.

After the deadline for applications, staff reviewed them. Six agencies had received CARES funding from the city during the pandemic and six other agencies have either facilities usage agreements with the city already or operate on city property. Staff recommends bringing these twelve agencies for approval at this meeting so that staff can start working with them on funding. The remaining applications will be reviewed and possibly brought forth at a later date, along with opening the RFQ again during the July/August time frame for additional applications.

The recommended new agencies are:

- Adult Day of Dunwoody Foundation
- Clubhouse Atlanta
- Community Assistance Center (Previous CARES Recipient)
- Corners Outreach (Previous CARES Recipient)
- Temple Emanu-El for Backpack Buddies
- YMCA of Metro Atlanta

This item authorizes staff to work with any of the above agencies in drafting agreements with them for use of the ARP 2 Funding for Direct Assistance. There is currently \$1,031,632 remaining of the original funding. Previous grantees may also be eligible for some of this funding after this list is approved.

Furthermore, in drafting any agreement with an agency, the City Council authorizes the city manager or designated staff to make further administrative requirements or clarifications in their agencies application information before drafting with any agreement.

Recommendation

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