

**RESOLUTION NO. .**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING: A) AN ALLOCATION OF \$3,000,000 IN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR THE 2023 SUMMER ENRICHMENT GRANT PROGRAM; AND B) THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, OR DESIGNEE, TO AMEND THE EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH SMCU COMMUNITY FUND TO INCLUDE ADMINISTRATION OF THE 2023 SUMMER ENRICHMENT GRANT PROGRAM IN EXCHANGE FOR FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,500 WITH A TERM ENDING APRIL 30, 2023**

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**RESOLVED**, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, that

**WHEREAS**, since its emergence in early 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic has negatively impacted public health and the economy on a global scale, in the country and in San Mateo County; and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 public health emergency has both caused and magnified negative impacts on residents of San Mateo County, including, among other areas, with regard to public health; mental health and emotional development; food and housing insecurity; economic dislocation and small business viability; childcare and education, in particular for socially and economically disadvantaged (SED) students, which are defined as students whose annual household income is less than 65% of the Area Median Income; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has taken extensive steps to prevent the spread of the pandemic and to mitigate its impact, including funding, supporting, and coordinating testing, contact tracing, isolation, quarantine and treatment for infected individuals,

public health and safety communications and interventions, issuance and enforcement of health orders, health system response, and vaccination programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the state and local health orders taken to respond to the pandemic and to prevent and mitigate its spread also restricted certain types of economic activity which impacted the economy in the County, with revenue losses hitting small businesses and certain economic sectors and demographic groups particularly hard, including SED students and providers of summer enrichment programs serving SED students; and

**WHEREAS**, the pandemic continues to pose risks to public health and to cause negative impacts for our communities and there remains the need to respond to those risks and impacts and to undertake measures to assist in recovery from the continuing negative public health and economic impacts of the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 8, 2022, the Board allocated \$3,300,000 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for the 2022 Summer Enrichment Grant Program (2022 Program) in order to expand access to summer enrichment programs in school districts with high numbers of SED students; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2022 Program distributed \$3,068,819 to 41 grantees that provided summer programming to 6,767 children and youth, with funds distributed countywide based on the percentage of SED students in each of four geographic areas of the County – North, Central, South and Coastside; and

**WHEREAS**, an evaluation of the 2022 Program found it succeeded in providing new and accessible summer enrichment programs to the intended SED population, that

students served made significant progress socially and emotionally, and that parents and providers both greatly benefited from the Program; and

**WHEREAS**, despite the success of the 2022 Program, more work remains, as many SED students continue to struggle academically, socially, and emotionally as a result of the pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, like others in the childcare industry, many local non-profit and small business providers of summer enrichment programs serving SED students have themselves suffered negative impacts as a result of the pandemic, and many providers have suffered decreased revenue, financial insecurity, increased costs due to compliance with public health requirements, reduced capacity to weather financial hardship, and challenges covering payroll, rent or mortgage, and other operating costs; and

**WHEREAS**, as a consequence of these impacts, aiding the non-profit and small business providers of these summer enrichment programs is also a necessary response to the negative economic consequences of the pandemic.

**WHEREAS**, given these ongoing pandemic-related impacts and in furtherance of its desire to increase summer enrichment programming for SED students, the Board desires to allocate an additional \$3,000,000 in ARPA funds to provide a second year of summer enrichment grants; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2023 Summer Enrichment Grant Program (2023 Program) will provide \$3,000,000 in ARPA funds to be made available for two types of grants to qualifying summer enrichment providers:

- Grants to local government and school district providers of summer enrichment programming for SED students; and
- Direct assistance grants to COVID-impacted local nonprofit (meaning 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(19) tax exempt organizations) and local for-profit small business (meaning those with 25 or fewer full-time employees) providers of summer enrichment programming to SED students; and

**WHEREAS**, the base grant amounts to qualifying summer enrichment program providers (local government/school district providers and impacted non-profit and small business providers) will be generally determined according the number of student slots in their respective programs, as follows:

- Providers with up to 25 slots: \$15,000
- Providers with 26 to 75 slots: \$35,000
- Providers with 76 to 200 slots: \$75,000
- Providers with 201 or more slots: \$100,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the distribution of grants between impacted organizations (non-profits and small businesses) and public entity providers will vary depending on the pool of qualified, eligible applicants and, similar to the 2022 Program, funds will be distributed countywide based on the percentage of SED students in each of four geographic areas of the County—North, Central, South and Coastside—with flexibility to adjust the distribution based on greater-need areas and to increase or reallocate base grant amounts depending on the number of qualified applicants and selected provider needs; and

**WHEREAS**, grant recipients will be required to submit a written report detailing the number of SED children served and other performance metrics, and to be eligible must meet the following criteria:

- Be physically located in San Mateo County;
- Provide summer enrichment programs that span at least 4 weeks (20 days) and offer at least 4 hours of programming per day;
- Serve school-age children (rising kindergarten – rising 12 grade);
- Provide self-attestation of compliance with current licensing, health and safety, and background check requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with applicable procurement requirements under ARPA, staff employed informal procurement methods to solicit a number of potential providers to assist with administration of the program and selected SMCU Community Fund as the responsible provider available to meet the County's requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to amend the County's existing agreement with SMCU Community Fund to administer distribution of the funds for the 2023 Program in exchange for fees in the amount of \$29,500 (less than 1% of the total \$3,000,000 allocation) with a term ending April 30, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY DETERMINED AND ORDERED** that the Board allocates \$3,000,000 in ARPA funds for the 2023 Program to provide grants to providers of summer enrichment programming to SED students in accordance with the Board's findings and intent set forth in this resolution, which allocation shall consist of \$2,970,500 in grant funding and \$29,500 in administrative expenses, and, after all 2023

Program grants are distributed, the County Executive, or designee(s), shall provide a summary report to the Board.

**IT IS FURTHER DETERMINED AND ORDERED** that the County Executive, or designee(s), is authorized to amend the County's existing agreement with SMCU Community Fund to administer the 2023 Program in exchange for fees in the amount of \$29,500, with a term ending April 30, 2023, in accordance with the Board's findings and intent reflected in this resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Executive, or designee(s), is authorized to execute further amendments to the agreement with SMCU Community Fund which modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate) and/or modify the contract term and/or services so long as the modified term or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Executive, or designee(s), is authorized to apply any state and/or federal funds, to include those ARPA funds appropriated by the Board in this resolution, that may be made available for all or a portion of the monies expended in connection with the 2023 Program.

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