



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
County Manager's Office



Date: July 25, 2016
Board Meeting Date: September 6, 2016
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John L. Maltbie, County Manager

Subject: Use of District-Specific **Measure A** Funds – Supervisorial District 4

RECOMMENDATION:

Measure A: Adopt a resolution authorizing a one-time \$46,000 grant of district-specific **Measure A** funds to Casa Circulo Cultural de Redwood City to create a safer, more efficient use of program space and authorizing the County Manager, or his designee, to prepare and execute the grant agreement, for the term July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

BACKGROUND:

Measure A is the ten-year half-cent general sales tax approved by San Mateo County voters in November 2012. The Board and County staff have conducted study sessions and community outreach efforts to inform priorities for **Measure A** spending.

On March 17, 2015, the Board adopted the **Measure A** allocation plan for the FY 2015-17 budget, during which the County anticipates **Measure A** receipts of approximately \$80 million annually. The plan included \$5 million in one-time loans or grants, and \$1 million each year for FY 2015-16 and 2016-17, divided equally among the five Board districts, for district-specific needs and projects. On April 28, 2015, the Board approved the criteria and process to be used by staff to administer these funds. In accordance with such criteria, District Four submits the following request to use **Measure A** funds as set forth below and in the attachment hereto:

District/Project	Amount
District 4 (Supervisor Warren Slocum) – Casa Circulo Cultural de Redwood City: Funding to create a safer, more efficient use of program space	\$46,000

FISCAL IMPACT:

There are sufficient **Measure A** funds budgeted in the Non-Departmental Services FY 2016-17 Recommended Budget for this purpose.

ATTACHMENT – Project Summary

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DISTRICT 4 (Supervisor Warren Slocum)
FY 2015-17 Measure A Request
Casa Circulo Cultural de Redwood City
Renovations of Existing Space
\$46,000 total

This is a request to authorize a \$46,000 grant to Casa Circulo Cultural de Redwood City, to create a safer, more efficient use of program space. The proposed grant agreement will be administered and managed by the County Manager's Office.

Overview of Casa Circulo Cultural de Redwood City

From its inception in May 2009 Casa Círculo Cultural de Redwood City (Casa Circulo) has been committed to establishing, producing and presenting works of theater, musical concerts, performances, TV programs, painting, sculpture, photography, creative writing, music classes and most recently a radio station with world-class content that addresses social needs of the community.

Through community-centered arts programs, Casa Circulo provides an avenue for youth and adults to learn about, celebrate and preserve Latino and Hispanic culture.

Goals of the Infrastructure Improvements for Which Funding is Requested

Casa Circulo has grown since its inception 7 years ago. It is this growth which is the impetus of this district-specific **Measure A** request. At the time of the original call for letters of intent, Casa Circulo did not expect to continue to expand so rapidly. The goal of the infrastructure is to accommodate current and future participants in a safer, more efficient space.

Performance Measures

The following performance measures will be used to track progress on the impact of these grant funds:

- Installation of ADA compliant internal staircase to increase and reinforce safety during hours of operation.
Estimated Cost: \$9,500
- Expansion of music room and art room.
Sound proofing music rooms and sound/radio studio.
Estimated Cost \$23,500
- Carpet installation in music room and art room.

Estimated Cost \$1,900

- Storage space reorganization/ building of shelves, cabinets and appropriate inventory spaces.

Estimated Cost \$7,000

- Installation of Reversible Puzzle Mats for Taekwondo classes to increase safety and avoid impact.

Estimated Cost \$3,645.18

Benefits to our Community

The proposed infrastructure improvements of Casa Circulo will benefit the residents of all of San Mateo County and especially residents in the areas adjacent to the center (Redwood City, North Fair Oaks, Menlo Park and East Palo Alto) by having an expansion of a culturally multi-disciplinary art organization in the community. It is a vibrant place for children, individuals and families to learn about, celebrate and help preserve Latino and Hispanic arts and culture.

The funds are to be disbursed to for these purposes.

The total allocation request for Casa Circulo is \$46,000.

The release of funds will be contingent on the execution of an agreement providing for the County's confirmation of the expenditure of funds during FY 2016-17 for the purposes stated herein.