



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: COUNTY MANAGER

File #: 20-760

Board Meeting Date: 10/6/2020

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Michael P. Callagy, County Manager

Subject: Use of District-Discretionary **Measure K** Funds - Supervisorial District 2

RECOMMENDATION:

Measure K: Adopt a resolution authorizing a one-time grant of district-discretionary **Measure K** funds, not to exceed 30,000, to the Hillsdale High School Foundation to provide opportunities for under-represented children to participate in the Empowerment Through Action program, and provide participating students with an adult mentor and access to a range of extracurricular activities, and authorizing the County Manager, or the County Manager's designee, to execute the grant agreement.

BACKGROUND:

Measure K is the half-cent general sales tax initially approved by San Mateo County voters in November 2012 and extended in November 2016 for a total of thirty years.

On February 12, 2019, the Board of Supervisors (Board) held a study session on **Measure K** expenditures and anticipated revenue for fiscal years (FY) 2019-21. The Board-appointed **Measure K** sub-committee, consisting of Supervisor Pine and Supervisor Canepa, convened the study session to, among other things, work with staff to facilitate the Board's development of **Measure K** priorities and continuing initiatives for FY 2019-21. The Board approved \$3.75 million in one-time loans or grants each fiscal year for FY 2019-21, divided equally among the five supervisorial districts, for district-discretionary needs and projects. District 2 has submitted a request to use its district-discretionary **Measure K** funds as shown below and described in the Project Summary section of this memorandum:

District/Project	Amount
District 2 (Supervisor Carole Groom) - Hillsdale High School Foundation: Funding will be used to provide opportunities for under-represented children to participate in the Empowerment Through Action program, and provide participating students with an adult mentor and access to a range of extracurricular activities.	\$30,000

This item is consistent with the criteria for district-discretionary **Measure K** funds approved by the Board in December 2018.

PROJECT SUMMARY:

This is a request to authorize a grant to Hillsdale High School Foundation, and resulting grant agreement, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000, to provide opportunities for under-represented children to participate in the Empowerment Through Action (ETA) program, and provide each student with an adult mentor and access to a range of extracurricular activities. The County Manager’s Office will administer and manage the proposed agreement.

Hillsdale High School Foundation operates the ETA program, which provides mentoring and extracurricular activities to students at Hillsdale High School. The ETA program identifies underserved students based on the following criteria: historically underserved groups of students, low socioeconomic status, first generation to college, students with GPAs below 2.4, and students referred by their middle schools prior to high school enrollment.

The proposed **Measure K** grant would be used to provide 20 ETA group leaders with a \$1,500 stipend to meet with students once a week for 30 weeks. Each mentor would meet with 6-8 students once per week in a group for 45 minutes. ETA will offer virtual enrichment activities, including hip hop dance, fashion design, yoga/mindfulness and, when it is possible to do safely and in compliance with applicable health directives, weight-training, boxing, soccer, basketball and other in-person activities.

The proposed grant will benefit the community by helping all Hillsdale High School students reach their academic and personal potential, and increasing family engagement among underserved families.

Total Measure K Request: Not to Exceed \$30,000

The release of funds will be contingent on the execution of an agreement providing for the County’s confirmation of the expenditure of funds for the purposes stated herein. The County will disburse the funds to the following organization for the purposes described above:

The Hillsdale High School Foundation
63 Bovet Rd. Suite 218
San Mateo, CA 94402
(650) 558-2618

PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

Description	Target
Provide each participating student with an adult mentor and access to a range of extracurricular activities.	September 2021

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the agreement and resolution as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There are sufficient **Measure K** funds for this specific FY 2020-21 **Measure K** request. These funds

are budgeted in the Non-Departmental Services FY 2020-21 Adopted Budget.