



## CITY OF GLENDALE, CALIFORNIA REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

### AGENDA ITEM

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Report: Acceptance of Grants Funds for the Glendale Commission on the Status of Women's Report on the Status of Women and Girls in Glendale

1. Motion to approve the acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$25,000 from the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls for the 2022 Women's Recovery Response Grant; and to authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all agreements, certifications, and documents necessary to accept and implement the grant funds.

2. Resolution of appropriation in the amount of \$25,000 for the Glendale Commission on the Status of Women's Report on the Status of Women and Girls.

### COUNCIL ACTION

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**Item Type:** Consent Calendar

**Approved for** \_\_\_\_\_ **April 19, 2022** **calendar**

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Earlier this year, the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls (CCSWG) solicited applications for its first-ever Women's Recovery Response Grant Program to support the existing and emerging needs of women in California who have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Glendale Commission on the Status of Women applied for and was awarded a \$25,000 grant to produce a report on the status of women and girls in Glendale.

## **COUNCIL PRIORITIES**

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Informed & Engaged Community: This report will provide demographic and other information to both the organization and the community about women and girls in the City of Glendale.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

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Staff respectfully recommends that City Council approve a motion to accept grant funds in the amount of \$25,000 from the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls for the 2022 Women's Recovery Response Grant, along with a resolution appropriating the funds for the Glendale Commission on the Status of Women's Report on the Status of Women and Girls.

## **BACKGROUND**

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Earlier this year, the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls (CCSWG) solicited applications for the Women's Recovery Response Grant Program to support the existing and emerging needs of women in California who have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

As the state entity that is tasked with assessing gender equity in multiple issue areas including health, safety, employment, education, and others, the CCSWG is uniquely positioned to support local commissions and the direct service providers they work with to ensure that women's needs are focused on statewide recovery efforts. The Budget Act of 2021 established the Women's Recovery Response to provide local assistance with \$5 million in one-time funds. The investment will insert structural support and resources into the network of local commissions while the CCSWG continues to act as a statewide convener, facilitator, and oversight administrator.

This is the first grant funding opportunity that the CCSWG has issued to support women impacted by the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. The CCSWG evaluated more than 630 proposals to support women and girls across all five funding categories, totaling over \$62 million in requests.

## **ANALYSIS**

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At its last meeting on February 14, 2022, the Glendale Commission on the Status of Women approved a motion to submit an application to the CCSWG for a grant to produce a report on the status of women and girls. The previous 2015-16 City of Glendale Commission on the Status of Women Report of the Status of Women and Girls was produced in conjunction with Mount Saint Mary's University (MSMU), which annually produces its own annual Report on the Status of Women and Girls in California.

The Glendale Commission has been awarded \$25,000 to produce this report, and has expressed a desire to work with MSMU again on this endeavor. The new report will include the same topics as the previous report (along with a few new topics), and include data from the 2015-16 report for comparison, along with a set of pre-pandemic data from 2018-19 and the most current data available, to create 3 sets of data to

compare how women have fared in the past few years, and how they have fared especially since the pandemic.

## **STAKEHOLDERS/OUTREACH**

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This grant funding will be used to produce a report that will help inform the City, other companies, organizations, and agencies about the status of women and girls in Glendale when making policy and programming decisions.

After the report has been published, the Glendale Commission on the Status of Women will engage in an education campaign to share the findings, and will hold community meetings to disseminate this information and to solicit feedback from the community. The Commission may use the information in the report, along with the collected feedback, to ultimately produce a series of recommendations to the Glendale City Council.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

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The amount of the 2022 Women's Recovery Response Grant funding awarded to the City of Glendale Commission on the Status of Women is \$25,000, which was not included as a part of the FY 2021-22 budget. Therefore, staff is requesting for an appropriation of \$25,000 from the Miscellaneous Grant Fund.

The appropriation request is outlined below:

<b>Requesting Appropriation</b>			
<b>Amount</b>	<b>From (Account String)</b>	<b>To (Account String)</b>	<b>Funding Source</b>
\$25,000	GL: 32610-2160-MSD-0020-P0000 PL:MSD00795AG	GL: 43110-2160-MSD-0020-P0000 PL: MSD00795AG	Miscellaneous Grant Fund

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (CEQA/NEPA)**

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This matter is exempt from CEQA as there is no reasonable likelihood it will result in a significant impact to the environment.

## **CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE**

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This item is exempt from campaign disclosure requirements.

## **ALTERNATIVES**

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Alternative 1: The City Council may elect to approve a motion to accept grant funds in the amount of \$25,000 from the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls for the 2022 Women's Recovery Response Grant, along with a resolution appropriating the funds for the Glendale Commission on

the Status of Women's Report on the Status of Women and Girls.

Alternative 2: The City Council may elect to not approve the recommended actions, and thus forfeit the grant funding.

Alternative 3: The City Council may consider any other alternative not proposed by staff.

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**

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#### **EXHIBITS/ATTACHMENTS**

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None