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SUPERVISOR, THIRD DISTRICT
SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

DATE: **February 28, 2024**

TO: **Sarah Aghassi, Interim Chief Administrative Officer**

RE: **Approved Grant Recipients**

The attached table lists the approved allocations for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (Org 15660) to be used for the purposes listed pursuant to Board Policy (B-72). Our office certifies that the organizations listed below meet the program eligibility requirements approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 13, 2023 (24).

Recommendation	Organization	Purpose	Allocation
1	The Brain Observatory	To support the cost of furniture and laboratory equipment including laboratory benches, and lighting, an Electroencephalography (EEG) recording device that will allow students to visualize and study their own brain while performing different tasks, a teaching system that will be installed onto a research microscopes allowing concurrent observation of brain samples and group discussions, 3D printing suite that students will use to make and assemble realistic models of brain structures. Funds will also purchase a new scientific refrigerator that will house The Brain Observatory's collection of donated human brains. These brains, each one documented with their unique life story, support core teaching and health education activities offered to students and the public. This will help to support programs that are focused on young students from underrepresented minorities and who live in San Diego's underserved neighborhoods. Through an existing partnership with San Diego Unified School District	\$20,000

		(SDUSD), the largest in San Diego and second largest in California, The Brain Observatory reaches thousands of students with different ethnic backgrounds and socioeconomic status.	
2	Coastal Roots Farm	To support the purchase of a four-seater Kubota RTV that will allow the Farm to safely grow organic, nutrient-dense fruits, vegetables, herbs, and eggs annually through the Regenerative and Organic Food Production Program which helps fulfill Coastal Root's mission of providing a community farm and education center for the community and low-income families.	\$25,000
3	La Jolla Community Center	To support the purchase of new courtyard doors and sidelights at the La Jolla Community Center at 6811 La Jolla Blvd. The Center has strived for modern renovations to their building, with accessibility and sustainability in mind and has initiated innovative programs and series for seniors and the community.	\$20,000
4	La Jolla Community Foundation	To support the cost of construction for Phase One of the capital improvements needed in La Jolla Village including stormwater drainage, sidewalk and crosswalk paving, improved lighting, and landscaping. Phase one will revitalize La Jolla's Girard Avenue from Silverado to Prospect Streets from its degraded state to include expanded pedestrian spaces, improved walkability, and traffic calming measures. Completion will provide residents of San Diego County with enhanced safety and accessibility. The project will stimulate economic activity, contributing to the overall vitality of the community.	\$20,000
5	Los Peñasquitos Lagoon Foundation	To support the funding for emergency breaches of the inlet at Los Peñasquitos Lagoon to protect public health/safety from vector borne illness by releasing impounded waters that provide breeding habitat for Culex tarslis, a species of mosquito that can spread West Nile virus to human hosts within a 2-mile radius of the Lagoon. Emergency breaches also help to protect and preserve the ecosystem services of Los Peñasquitos Lagoon that include providing habitat for rare/sensitive plants and listed bird species, abatement of flood waters, recreation,	\$20,000

		and sequestration of greenhouse gases that contribute to climate change.	
6	North County Lifeline	To support the costs of security upgrades to their north county site to improve the safety of staff and clients and prevent the breach of confidential client information with the purchase of a Brivo access control system and armored door, as well as the replacement of existing doors. These upgrades will help Lifeline in expanding and improving services for low-income youth, adults, and families throughout North County.	\$20,000
7	Safe Harbor Coronado	To support the cost of upgrading their office equipment, by providing for the purchase laptops, desktops, desks, cabinets, and monitors. Funds will also support counselling materials including anger management and art supplies such as clay, paper, coloring, board games, toy prizes, etc. These funds will help Safe Harbor Coronado fulfill their mission of providing accessible counseling services and more comprehensive social, behavioral, emotional, and mental health programs to the youth and families of Coronado.	\$15,000
8	San Diego Theatrical Training Corporation	To support the costs of expanding the recording and streaming capabilities of the Union or Bust Podcast, with the purchase of a safe, desks, chairs, couch, microphone and other audio equipment, internet accessibility equipment, monitors, and computers, and minifridge. This expansion will greatly enhance their mission of engaging with a wider audience to educate the public about worker issues, focusing on policies that impact workers' rights and well-being.	\$25,000
9	San Diego Synergy Arts Network Inc.	To support the one-time cost of purchasing the SmorgBorg software system to assist SDVAN in creating online articles and media, send bulk emails, and have an online storage and database. This system will help SDVAN in providing Arts and Culture information throughout the San Diego County.	\$6,000
10	T.E.R.I., INC.	To support the capital improvement of the Zable Foundation Performing Arts and Fine Arts Center, the Center for the Arts and Adult Education, Bornemann Theatre, and its Multi-Sensory Rooms with the costs of light, sound,	\$20,000

		and touch sensory pads critical support facilities for all students across the full spectrum of neurodivergence. This will help the long-term TERI Campus of Life project, a 20-acre campus in San Marcos that will triple existing access to adaptive Education, Vocational, and Enrichment Programs, along with an array of family/caretaker services.	
11	Women of Color Roar Media	To support the cost of the Women of Color Roar Breakfast event and Women of Color Roar Leadership Academy with the purchase of laptops, laptop and book bags, T-shirts, and hygiene kits. These programs will provide support for young women to enrich their lives with safe spaces, education, and character-building opportunities, providing a holistic approach to building up purposeful, resilient, and empowered women.	\$20,000
12	Youth Tennis San Diego	To support the capital improvement of the Barnes Tennis Center the San Diego Community Racquet Sports Initiative project at 4490 West Point Loma Blvd. Funds will support a new water main line, demolition, grading soil preparation, landscaping, and irrigation for the entire 16.5-acre facility, including our entryway, parking lot, near buildings, courts, the perimeter of the facility, and a new recreational trail. This will help to contribute to the development pathway of all youth and the community by providing physical, mental, emotional, educational, and social platforms through tennis for children to thrive by offering accessible and affordable opportunities in our community.	\$25,000
		Total NRP	\$236,000
<p>Amend the purpose of the 06/13/2023 (D3 13-13) allocation of \$20,000 to Operation Hope from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to include the capitol cost of upgrading new access control system for the front door, replacement of network cabling, and the professional fees.</p> <p>Amend the purpose of the 01/11/2022 (D3 5-16) allocation of \$20,000 to Think Dignity from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to include the cost of purchasing cargo trailers, underwear bras, and gender-affirming undergarments.</p>			

Amend the purpose of the 01/24/2024 (D3-8) allocation of \$25,000 to New Village Arts from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to include the cost of capital improvement for the Marquee sign, cabling in performance spaces and the one-time purchase of ice maker, scupper rail, lobby seating, window cabinet, and trellis signs.

Amend the purpose of the 02/07/2023 (D3 10-9) allocation of \$15,000 to San Diego Blood Bank from the Neighborhood Reinvestment Program budget (Org 15660) to include blood donor beds.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Terra Lawson-Remer", with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Terra Lawson-Remer

Supervisor, Third District