

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to acceptance of a \$450,000 Traffic Safety Grant to implement the Child Passenger Safety Program.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, Los Angeles Housing Community and Investment Department (HCIDLA), or designee, to:

- a. Accept and execute a \$450,000 grant agreement with the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety for the Child Passenger Safety Program for the period of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney as to form.
- b. Decrease appropriations in the amount of \$1,045,698.64 to align appropriations to grant sources.

2. AUTHORIZE the Controller to:

a. Increase/decrease accounts within the Office of Traffic Safety Grant Fund No. 45C and appropriate as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
43K143	Housing and Community Invest	\$285,833.00
43K299	Reimbursements to General Fund	<u>(45,035.00)</u>
	Total:	\$240,798.00

b. Increase appropriations in the amount of \$285,833 within the HCIDLA Fund No.100/43 as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001010	Salaries - General	\$95,591.00
001090	Overtime - General	13,203.00
002130	Travel	3,600.00
003040	Contractual Services	8,966.00
003310	Transportation	400.00
006010	Office & Admin. Expenses	147,303.00
006030	Leasing	<u>16,770.00</u>
	Total:	\$285,833.00

c. Decrease appropriations within the Office of Traffic Safety Grant Fund No. 45C as follows:

<u>Account</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Amount</u>
22A122	CDD	(\$185,098.21)
22C045	Traffic Safety Education	(124,987.00)
22C122	CDD	(4,542.92)
22C299	Related Costs	(87,127.96)
22E122	CDD	(306,821.20)
22E299	Related Costs	(30,074.00)
22F122	CDD	(138,356.19)
22F299	Related Costs	(33,049.49)
22G122	CDD	(79,168.08)
22G299	Related Costs	(13,396.32)
22H122	CDD	(1,244.34)
22H299	Related Costs	(9,212.31)
22J122	CDD	(32,620.62)
		Total: (\$1,045,698.64)

d. Expend funds upon proper demand of the General Manager, HCIDLA, or designee.

3. AUTHORIZE the General Manager, HCIDLA, or designee, to prepare Controller instructions for any technical adjustments or corrections that may be necessary, consistent with the Mayor and Council action on this matter, subject to the approval of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), and AUTHORIZE the Controller to implement the instructions.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CAO reports that there is no impact to the City's General Fund. The recommendations in this report comply with the City Financial Policies in that the State of California Office of Traffic Safety grant in the amount of \$450,000 will fully fund the expenses incurred by the City in administering the Child Passenger Safety Program.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At a regular meeting held on February 26, 2014, the Housing Committee considered a report from the HCIDLA dated January 2, 2014, and a report from the CAO dated February 12, 2014, relative to authorization to accept and execute a \$450,000 Traffic Safety Grant from the State of California, Office of Traffic Safety to implement the Child Passenger Safety Program for the period of October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.

Representatives of the HCIDLA addressed the Committee and provided a brief overview of the Child Passenger Safety Program (Program). The Program has been funded for the past 13 years through a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety. The grant funds three staff that provide training to eligible low-income clients on the proper use of car seats as well as 3,000 seats. The training is a 30-45 minute class that is provided to clients in English and Spanish, and in other languages through interpreters. After the training, the clients receive free car seats

for infants (or booster seats for older children). Program staff coordinate with 16 contracted and five City-owned FamilySource Centers citywide, as well as various hospitals, non-profit community organizations, and the LAPD.

During further discussion of this matter, the Committee Chair suggested that in Sacramento, lawmakers may want to explore the transfer of federal grant funds from DUI checkpoints to identify undocumented motorists, to instead fund programs such as the Child Passenger Safety Program since there soon will be 2.5 million new motorists on the road, many of whom could benefit from this Program. HCIDLA noted that citizenship is not a requirement to attend the Child Safety Program training or to receive the car seats.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee approved the recommendations in the CAO report. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
CEDILLO:	YES
FUENTES:	YES
WESSON:	ABSENT
BUSCAINO:	ABSENT
PRICE:	YES

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