



# CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

## COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

**AGENDA DATE:** February 24, 2015

**TO:** Mayor and Councilmembers

**FROM:** Recreation Division, Parks and Recreation Department

**SUBJECT:** Appropriation Of Community Development Block Grant Funds for Youth Apprenticeship and Santa Barbara Arts Alliance Programs

### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council increase appropriations and estimated revenues in the Fiscal Year 2015 Parks and Recreation Department, General Fund, in the amount of \$15,000 for two Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) awards.

### DISCUSSION:

The Parks and Recreation Department was the recipient of two Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) awards in Fiscal Year 2015 totaling \$15,000. These funds are to support the following programs:

#### \$10,000 for Youth Job Apprenticeship program

The Youth Job Apprenticeship Program provides job training and job placement to approximately 60 at-risk community youth annually. Participating youth receive approximately 160 hours of paid employment. This funding will be utilized to pay hourly salaries of the youth who participate in the program.

#### \$5,000 for Santa Barbara Arts Alliance program

The Santa Barbara Arts Alliance program is a free art-based afterschool mentoring program that provides leadership and life skills development opportunities through hands-on community service projects. Based at the Franklin Neighborhood Center, approximately 40 low income and under-served youth are served by this program annually. Program curricula includes art workshops, field trips, neighborhood clean-ups, and in the program year and culminates with the creation and installation of public murals in areas plagued by graffiti vandalism. This funding will be utilized to pay the hourly salaries of the artist mentors who lead the program.

**BUDGET/FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

Appropriations and estimated revenues in the Fiscal Year 2015 Parks and Recreation Department General Fund will be increased by \$15,000 as a result of these CDBG grant funds.

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**APPROVED BY:** City Administrator's Office