



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Requested Board Meeting Date: 5/2/2023

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***Title:**

Agenda Item – Discussion/Action on the Pima County Attorney’s Office request to utilize Anti-Racketeering Revolving Funds to fund two Sugar Hill Coalition events

***Introduction/Background:**

Funds are requested in the amount of \$5,000 to promote the Sugar Hill Coalition Resource Fair and the TPD/Sugar Hill Engagement Event

***Discussion:**

Sugar Hill works with Law Enforcement (TPD) to hold community events and workshops focusing on the social integration of at-risk communities, children, and families. Workshops use proven strategies and policies based on a broad, multidisciplinary foundation of knowledge on peer pressure, drug abuse, crime problems, and their causes to mitigate risk factors within the community. These events provide opportunities for community members to be fed, connect with community organizations, find resources (contacts, help filling out forms, etc.), and to be educated on Drug and Crime Prevention programs, education, and mitigation of underlying risk factors for recidivism and substance abuse.

***Conclusion:**

These events serve as a critical opportunity for members of some of Tucson’s most economically depressed communities to connect with law enforcement and find resources and opportunities to engage with Drug and Crime prevention programs, social and economic assistance, and create lasting connections with Community organizations like the Sugar Hill Coalition.

***Recommendation:**

Approve the funding request in the amount of \$5,000.00 to host two Sugar Hill Coalition community engagement events

***Fiscal Impact:**

TOTAL IMPACT: \$400 (permits); \$1,250 (entertainment); \$800 (tenting); \$1,450 (speaker fees); \$1,100 (photographer)

***Board of Supervisor District:**

1 2 3 4 5 All

Department: Pima County Attorney's Office

Telephone: 520-724-5700

Contact: Chief Civil Deputy Sam Brown

Telephone: 520-724-5700

Department Director Signature: _____

Date: _____

4/14/23

Deputy County Administrator Signature: _____

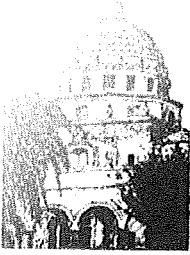
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County Administrator Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Pima County Attorney's Office

ARF Applicant Information Form

Once completed, please send this form and your ARF application to:
Patrick Robles, PCAO Community Outreach Coordinator, ARFRequest@pcao.pima.gov

Name of agency/organization Sugar Hill Coalition

Address
2326 E Hedrick Drive, Tucson, AZ 85719

Mailing (if different) Same

Contact person Kevin Woodard Title Director/CEO

Contact person Susan Wilkins Title Secretary

Phone 520.289.3764 (Secretary) Email sugarhillcoalition@yahoo.com

- Is your agency/organization a:
- Previous ARF applicant Yes No If yes, when? _____
 - Previous ARF grantee Yes No If yes, when? _____
 - Current ARF grantee Yes No

**Community Organization Application
For Funding Assistance From Pima County Anti-Racketeering Funds (ARF)**

Community Organization <u>Sugar Hill Coalition</u>	
Executive Director/Agency Head <u>Kevin Woodard</u>	
Law Enforcement Agency <u>Pima County Attorney</u>	
Date <u>2/9/2023</u>	Amount Requested <u>\$5,000.00</u>

The Pima County Anti-Racketeering Revolving Fund has been created by forfeiture of property that constituted the proceeds of crime or that was used or intended to be used to commit crime. **Use of the funds is restricted to law enforcement purposes**, however transfers to community-based programs, whose missions are supportive of and consistent with **a law enforcement** effort, policy, or initiative are permitted.

NOTE: A program may benefit the community generally, but still not qualify for Pima County Anti-Racketeering Revolving Fund funds. To qualify, a program must specifically involve law enforcement personnel or otherwise include specific content which extends or enhances the efforts of law enforcement in the community, such as assisting victims of crime, preventing crime including by providing programs for at-risk youth, deterring crime, rehabilitation of offenders, emergency response by law enforcement, protecting people and property from crime, reducing the effects of crime, etc.

Describe the community-based program for which funds are being sought and how the program benefits the community:

Sugar Hill Coalition (SHC) EIN 83-1667411, is a 501c3 non-profit serving Las Vistas, Western Hills II, and South Park communities of Ward 5. These communities represent some of the most economically depressed areas of Tucson. These funds, when granted, will benefit these marginalized communities providing a public service in bridging the gap between Drug Awareness & Crime Prevention and their impact upon the community. SHC is committed to promoting proactive programs which address a quantifiable need of the community. Drug and Crime Prevention & Education is consistent with Law Enforcement/Tucson Police Department (TPD) objectives which are beneficial to the overall health of the neighborhoods and communities of Ward 5. The healthier our neighborhoods are, the safer our communities will be. TPD will work with community neighborhood associations and community partner.

Specifically, what law enforcement effort, policy, and/or initiative of this agency does this program support in this community?

One of the city of Tucson's and Law Enforcement's (TPD) progressive policies is to promote community wellness and support diversity. TPD's diversity policy embodies and supports diversity in order to better serve and understand community issues and solve community problems. However, unfortunately, poverty, and marginalization, are underlying issues of drug abuse and crime which exacerbates the school-to-prison pipeline within our diverse Tucson community. Working with organizations such as the Sugar Hill Coalition TPD will delve into drug and crime prevention & education to address those underlying issues and work to shut down the school-to-prison pipeline through Drug and Crime Prevention & Education.

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Describe in detail how this program is supportive of and consistent with this law enforcement agency's efforts, policies, and/or initiatives in the community. What elements of the program specifically enhance or extend the efforts of law enforcement in the community, and how does the program do this?

Sugar Hill Coalition's (SHC, EIN 83-1667411) mission and goals are consistent with initiatives and priorities of the mayor, city attorney, and law enforcement for public safety in our Tucson communities. A pivotal part of SHC's mission is community empowerment, food security, and safe neighborhoods. The relationship between drug abuse and crime is clear. Drug abusers commit crimes to pay for their drugs and this hurts our community and society. Drug abuse education & Crime prevention saves lives. Investing in drug education & crime prevention is better than investing in punishment. TPD will work with community neighborhood associations and community partners such as the Sugar Hill Coalition to hold community events and workshops focusing on the social integration of at-risk communities, children, families, and youth. Workshops will use proven strategies and policies based on a broad, multidisciplinary foundation of knowledge on peer pressure, drug abuse, crime problems, and their causes. Which will allow the formation of ways to mitigate these problems. What happens at these events is people come, they are checked in, fed, and then they are discriminated to the proper area f.

As specifically as possible, please indicate how the funds requested will be used by this program (that is, to purchase supplies, equipment, and/or services; covering costs of participants or attendees; etc. **Direct cash transfers or gifts are not permitted**):

Sugar Hill Coalition is requesting a total of \$5,000 to be utilized to promote two TPD/Community engagement projects (Sugar Hill Coalition Resource Fair and TPD/Sugar Hill Engagement Event) as follows:

DJ with equipment fees \$900

Insurance and permits \$400

Tent rental fees \$200 (\$100 for each event)

Jumping Castle rental fees \$350.00

Videographer/Photographer Fees \$1,100.00 (\$550 for each event)

Stage rental fee \$600

Speaker Fees \$1,450 (\$725 for each event)

These events are positive community engagement events supported by West Campus TPD Chief Dennis and consistent with law enforcement objectives.

Please describe how your initiative will directly assist people from underserved communities and/or those who have been marginalized by a conviction history:

The Honorable Jonathan Rothschild, former Mayor of Tucson and current Mayor, Regina Romero advocate for a proactive coalition of government and community. Within a culture of marginalized communities in a pandemic era culture, having resource fairs and TPD/Community sponsored events help to promote positive reinforcement of law enforcement efforts to keep our city and communities safe, strong, and connected. These requested funds will directly assist. TPD/Community relationship as well as being a bridge toward community wellbeing.

Certification by Community Organization Applicant

Applicants for funds must certify in writing the following aspects of its background and compliance with Arizona and federal law and Department of Justice guidelines:

I, the undersigned head of the applicant entity, certify that:

	Yes	No
A. Applicant is a state, county, or local government department or agency; or applicant is a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) or (4) organization. Tax I.D. Number: <u>83-1667411</u>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
B. Applicant is primarily engaged in providing a program that is both community-based and supportive of and consistent with a law enforcement effort, policy, or initiative.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
C. Applicant agrees to account separately for all anti-racketeering funds received.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
D. Applicant agrees to utilize and apply standard accounting requirements and practices employed under state or local law for recipients of federal, state, or local funds and to provide documentation for any audit that may be performed by a governmental entity authorized to audit the use of such funds.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. Applicant is in compliance with federal civil rights laws.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
F. Applicant is in compliance with all other Arizona and federal laws that apply to applicant.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
G. No officer, director, trustee, or fiduciary of the applicant has been convicted of a felony offense under federal or state law, or convicted of any drug offense.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
H. Applicant agrees not to use funds for personal or political purposes.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>
I. Applicant agrees that funds will not be used for any purpose that would constitute an improper or illegal use under the laws, rules, regulations, or orders of the state or local jurisdiction in which the applicant is located.	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>

Kevin Woodard
Print Name of Requesting Agency
Director

Kevin Woodard Digitally signed by Kevin Woodard
Date: 2023.02.10 11:42:34 -0700
Signature of Requesting Agency
Director

I have reviewed the foregoing request, and based on the organization's certifications and the information provided by the organization, the recipient of the funds is a qualified entity and the program for which funds are sought is consistent with and supportive of a

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law enforcement effort, policy, and/or initiative of this agency. (If the funding is to be from DOJ equitable sharing sources, all additional requirements for use of such funds have also been fulfilled; Treasury funds may not be used for support of community-based programs.)

Laura Conover

Print Name of Chief Law
Enforcement Officer



Signature of Chief Law Enforcement
Officer

Date April 10, 2023