



Board of Supervisors Memorandum

August 7, 2018

Use of Pima County Attorney's Anti-racketeering Funds for Outside Agency Requests

Introduction

On June 27, 2018, I directed a memorandum to the Board of Supervisors regarding Addendum Item 10 on the June 19, 2018 Board of Supervisors Meeting regarding the use of Anti-Racketeering Funds for a number of community agencies where the County's private attorney reviewed RICO funds and determined 17 agencies were not eligible.

Pending Outside Agency Requests

In January 2018, County Attorney Barbara LaWall submitted 50 applications from outside agencies requesting use of monies from the Pima County Attorney's Anti-Racketeering (RICO) Funds. In accordance with Board of Supervisors Policy C 6.3, County Attorney LaWall requested that these items be reviewed and placed on the Board of Supervisors agenda of February 6, 2018 for approval. The Board asked that these requests be reviewed by outside legal counsel and all were forwarded to Mr. J. Arthur Eaves for review and input.

In February 2018, Mr. Eaves found 33 of the requests to be consistent with RICO guidelines and recommended approval of the funds requested by these agencies. Mr. Eaves suggested that clarification be sought for the remaining 17 requests. In March 2018, County Attorney LaWall responded to the Mr. Eaves, respectfully disagreeing with his assessment that additional clarification is needed. In Mr. Eaves response to County Attorney LaWall, he noted that he remained unconvinced and disagreed with her in an area in which the United States Department of Justice has not provided concrete guidelines.

A spreadsheet is attached that lists the 17 pending requests, which total \$70,500. A total of 10 agencies receive no funding from Pima County from other sources. The requests from these ten agencies total \$38,000. The other seven agencies received a total of \$3,890,728 in Fiscal Year 2017/18 and are budgeted to receive \$3,103,160 in the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2018.

Forensic Examinations

As noted in a March 14, 2018 letter to Mr. Eaves, strangulation can be one of the most lethal forms of domestic violence and sexual assault. In past years, Pima County has allocated funds and has worked with area providers fund the conduct of forensic interviews and examinations needed to prosecute these crimes. Staff has been involved with the search for additional funds to ensure the ongoing availability of the services and was pleased to note that on March 27, 2018 Mr. Eaves opined that RICO funds are an appropriate source

The Honorable Chair and Members, Pima County Board of Supervisors
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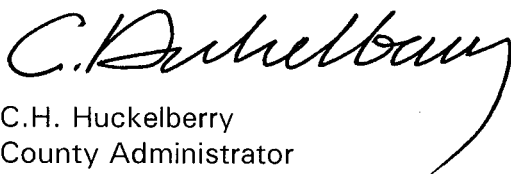
of support for forensic examinations and diagnosis of strangulation in potential domestic violence victims.

Recommendation

In the attached Spreadsheet analysis, 10 agencies do not receive any other funds from the County. The proposed County Attorney allocations to these agencies was \$38,000. I recommend these agencies apply for funding through the County's Outside Agency Review Committee to determine eligibility and whether the Committee recommends funding. If so, appropriate County general funds will be allocated for this purpose.

I further recommend the total amount allocated to all 17 agencies, or \$70,500, be made available through the County Attorney from the County Attorney's Anti-racketeering Fund for forensics evaluation related to strangulation, domestic violence and sexual assault incidents.

Sincerely,



C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

CHH/anc – July 5, 2018

Attachment

c: The Honorable Barbara LaWall, Pima County Attorney
Jan Leshner, Chief Deputy County Administrator

RICO Request	Service Proposed		Other County Funds	Other County Funds
	17/18	18/19		
Angel Heart Pajama Project	\$ 5,000	support of children in shelter, foster care & homeless environments	\$ -	\$ -
Casa de los Ninos	\$ 5,000	healthy psychosocial development in female adolescents	\$ -	\$ -
Education Enrichment Foundation	\$ 5,000	fees for teens who qualify for low cost meals in schools	\$ -	\$ -
First Tee of Tucson	\$ 1,000	pair youth with mentor & teach golf	\$ -	\$ -
Higher Ground Resource Center	\$ 5,000	STEM & robotics programs	\$ 39,000	\$ 39,000
YMCA	\$ 5,000	LOHSE - assist with afterschool and summer programs	\$ 211,458	\$ 211,458
<i>Mulcahy</i>				
Marana Broncos Youth Football	\$ 5,000	equipment to players from low income families	\$ -	\$ -
Metropolitan Education Commission	\$ 2,500	guidance to adolescent regarding educational goals	\$ 82,200	\$ 122,000
<i>General Support</i>				
Regional College Access Center			\$ -	\$ 70,000
Midvale Park Neighborhood Assoc.	\$ 2,000	community festival	\$ -	\$ 52,000
PPEP Microbusiness & Housing Development C	\$ 5,000	loans and business services to help former inmates	\$ 1,058,937	\$ 1,028,271
<i>Mature Worker</i>				
Summer Youth			\$ 101,887	\$ 90,826
<i>ESN</i>				
Youth Services			\$ 88,545	\$ 105,840
<i>New Employee Transition</i>				
Workshops			\$ 109,010	\$ 113,910
One Stop - WDS			\$ 42,495	\$ -
CDBG Amado Youth			\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
			\$ 34,741	\$ 35,436
			\$ 602,259	\$ 602,259
			\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000

Request	RICO		Service Proposed		Other	Other
	17/18	18/19	County Funds	County Funds	County Funds	County Funds
Rincon Optimist Club	\$ 3,000		clothing & backpacks for students from low income homes	\$ -	\$ -	
Shyann Kindness Project	\$ 2,000		backpack night; backpacks for students	\$ -	\$ -	
Sunnyside Neighborhood Assoc	\$ 5,000		annual awards; neighborhood clean ups; bicycle supplies; Peace Garden	\$ -	\$ -	
Tucson Urban League	\$ 5,000		Project YES after school project	\$ 784,594	\$ 747,460	
Summer Youth ESN				\$ 44,831	\$ 101,544	
Youth Services Basic Skills Workshops				\$ 163,188	\$ 168,210	
One Stop - WDS				\$ 43,698	\$ -	
Senior Meal				\$ 4,470	\$ -	
Utility Rental Assistance				\$ 404,407	\$ 410,906	
Financial Empowerment Center				\$ 27,000	\$ -	
Project Yes				\$ 31,000	\$ 32,000	
Tucson Youth Development	\$ 5,000		Prepare youth for workforce	\$ 1,641,539	\$ 1,090,329	
Youth Career Connect Workshops				\$ 178,000	\$ -	
One Stop				\$ 14,046	\$ 14,327	
Youth Services				\$ 763,172	\$ 774,345	
Summer Youth PJC				\$ 154,628	\$ -	
Women's Foundation of So Arizona	\$ 5,000		Unidas, after school leadership program for girls	\$ -	\$ -	
Youth on Their Own	\$ 5,000		assists homeless teens	\$ 73,000	\$ 75,100	
Total All Agencies	\$ 70,500			\$ 3,890,728	\$ 3,102,160	