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We are commenting (in bold) on the following agenda items for the Board meeting tomorrow as follows:

CONSENT CALENDAR 4/5/2022 ITEMS

#26. GTAM 22*067 FEMA EFSP Humanitarian Relief Fund (authorized by American Rescue Plan Act): Pima County has received \$10,059,704.06 from 4/20/2021 to 3/2/2022 for the Emergency Food and Shelter Program. Pima County is receiving another \$2.1 million grant to cover costs of the Southwest Border Operations Partnership incurred between 1/1/2022 through 12/31/2025. This grant covers costs associated with providing humanitarian aid to US southern border asylum seekers (illegals). The goal of this grant is to provide food, shelter, and other humanitarian support until the illegals can travel to their sponsors in other parts of the United States. Shelter is being provided at Casa Alitas Welcome Center with overflow to Comfort Suites/Jot Properties and Red Roof Inn/Jot Properties in Tucson. **Tucson (Pima County) residents do not want to be a holding station sanctuary for the illegals flooding across the Arizona/Mexico border. How about providing humanitarian relief to the American citizens in Pima County, including Veterans who served in the military, that are homeless and/or struggling to stay afloat financially due to the rising cost of living? Put these illegals on a bus to Washington DC and use this funding to give them a bible in their language and ship them out of here. These alarming numbers provided below compared to NYC can be attributed to allowing the illegals to stay in the Tucson vicinity for any amount of time.**

Overall Crime Rate per 1,000 people:

NYC: 25.8

Tucson: 44

Violent Crime Rate per 1,000 people:

NYC: 5.8

Tucson: 7.09

Property Crime Rate per 1,000 people:

NYC: 20.0

Tucson: 36.85

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Police Officers per 1,000 people:

NYC: 42.3

Tucson: 16.3

28. GTAM 22-069 Center for Disease Control (CDC) Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) COVID-19 Containment Project: This grant is not providing additional federal funding but is extending the existing ELC COVID-19 Containment project that started 7/1/2020 for one year until 2/28/2023. The goal of this project is to facilitate containment of SARS-CoV-2 viral transmission and future epidemics or pandemics by enhancing Pima County COVID-19 surveillance and response system(s) in coordination with Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS). **It appears Pima County taxpayers need to expect more tyrannical COVID theatrics close to the November 2022 election? How about using these funds to pass out actual medications that work against COVID-19 when administered at early onset and train the hospital healthcare workers on effectively treating COVID-19 patients without using the deadly protocols including the use of Remdesivir. The Department of Health Services should be focusing on saving lives instead of more COVID-19 drama and control.**

30. GTAM 22-071 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program (PHEP): Pima County entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) commencing 7/1/2021 and terminating 6/30/2023. The IGA provides Pima County with \$1,211,107.00 in grant monies paid to the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) if certain milestones are completed. Arizona law through A.R.S. Section 11-952 allows public agencies to jointly exercise any powers common to the contracting parties. This IGA is being amended to establish, expand, train, and sustain the public health workforce to support COVID-19 prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery initiatives, including school-based health programs. ADHS will be working with each jurisdiction on the school-based initiatives that are separate and in addition to their funding amounts through a partnership with the Department of Education. Pima County as a contractor to this grant is required to assist the US Government in the implementation and enforcement of federal orders related to quarantine and isolation. Obviously, Pima County plans to continue their tyrannical activities in our public schools, businesses, and public gatherings even though Governor Ducey lifted the State of Emergency regarding COVID-19 by hiring and training additional public health staff. The grant award requires Pima County to fund a ten percent (10%) of the award using non-federal donations from public or private entities. **Taxpayers do not want to fund any more COVID-19 related activities whether the money is coming from federal, state, or county tax funds. The public schools need to focus on teaching our kids instead of playing the tyrannical unconstitutional games surrounding COVID-19 that parents have had to deal with since 2020. We the People of Pima County are done with the COVID-19 funded agenda. COVID is here to stay and should be treated like we have treated the flu. Two years of this is enough! Reject the funding and stop the COVID-19 theatrics.**

Sincerely,

Pima County Taskforce