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Award Type:	Agenda Item
BOSAIR Activity:	Board Meeting Request
Requested Board Meeting Date:	07/14/2026
Project Title / Description:	CWD Outside Agency Program FY2026-2027 Funding Recommendations

Agenda Item Report

Introduction / Background:	The Outside Agency Program provides financial support to eligible and qualified local non-profit agencies that collaborate with the County to deliver community-based human services to vulnerable populations related to county functions, obligations, or other critical needs. The categorical services approved by the Board of Supervisors (BOS) include the following: Basic Needs, Health and Wellness, Education and Workforce Development, Youth and Family Services, Community Well-being and Safety, and Prosperity Initiative. The following non-competitive categories have been adopted by the BOS: General Services, and Other Department Priorities. Prior to funding recommendations being made, each agency and/or program is reviewed for both programmatic and financial performance, contract compliance, and potential risk. The total Outside Agency funding recommendation for FY2026-2027 is \$3,936,620.00.
Discussion:	The program provides significant benefits to the County and to the community by expanding access to essential services in rural and isolated areas where it would be expensive to station County staff. It supports non-profit organizations by providing matching funds that leverage local and external resources, encourages collaboration and resource-sharing among agencies, and strengthens service delivery across a wide geographic region. Overall, the program supports Budget Pillar 2 - Improving Quality of Life for Pima County residents by helping non-profits reach low-income, remote, and economically underserved communities with vital economic development, health, and social services.
Conclusion:	The Outside Agency Program compliments and expands services provided directly by the County. The applications reviewed and recommended by the Outside Agency Citizen Review Committee, County Administration and staff for funding are listed. (See list attached).

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors approve the attached list of FY 2026-2027 Recommendations for Community Workforce Development Outside Agency Program Funding, appropriate funding in the total amount of \$3,936,620.00 to fund the Outside Agency Program and other department priorities, and authorize the Chair of the Board to sign funding contracts with each of the agencies listed.

Fiscal Impact: The program is funded through Pima County General Funds. There is no impact to the overall program budget.

Support of Prosperity Initiative: N/A

Provide information that explains how this activity supports the selected Prosperity Initiative The recommended programs encompass a broad range of services, some of which fully support the Prosperity Initiative (PI) while others do not.

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Date: June 25, 2026

To: Jan Leshar
County Administrator

From: Jess Losoya, Chair
Outside Agency Citizen Review
Committee

Via: Steve Holmes
Deputy County Administrator

RE: **FY 2026-2027 Recommendations for Community & Workforce Development Outside Agency Program Funding**

Background

The Outside Agency Citizen Review Committee (the Committee) is a panel of six members, one appointed by each Member of the Board of Supervisors and one by the County Administrator to serve as their representatives. Community & Workforce Development (CWD) staffs the Committee. Duties and responsibilities of the Committee include the review of the community requests for proposals (RFP) for Outside Agency funding and making recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

The Committee reviews competitive proposals for six of the eight approved priority area service categories that align with the critical needs of Pima County. The Outside Agency (OA) priority area service categories are: Basic Needs; Health and Wellness; Education and Workforce Development; Youth and Family Services; Community Well-being and Safety; and the Prosperity Initiative. The Committee does not make recommendations for the seventh and eighth approved categories, General Services and Other Department Priorities, because they are noncompetitive.

Discussion

OA funds are available on a two-year funding cycle. For FY 2026-2027, the first year of the new cycle, CWD issued the biennial RFP through the ZoomGrants online application system on November 14, 2025. A virtual technical assistance session was held by staff on November 21, 2025, and proposals were due by December 19, 2025.

Including the noncompetitive categories, a total of 159 applications were submitted by 96 community-based agencies, requesting more than \$11.4M in funding. This represents the highest volume to date and nearly double the amount normally collected. Of the 159 applications, 23 were deemed non-responsive or non-responsible due to missing required documents, or proposals that did not demonstrate an established program that OA funding would support or expand. The remaining 136 eligible applications moved forward in the review process.

A structured scoring methodology was implemented to ensure a thorough and equitable review. Due to the high volume of applications, eligible competitive applications were distributed evenly among the Committee members, with four CWD staff reviewers from the Prosperity Initiative, Affordable Housing, and Community Development, providing additional scoring support. Written applications were evaluated by both the OA Committee and CWD staff, while oral presentations were scored solely by the

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OA Committee members present. Final scores combined the written and oral presentation averages, and applications achieving a minimum average score of 85 are recommended for funding.

To complete the review process for FY 2026-2027 OA Funds, the Committee held eight open public meetings, every week, between February and March. These meetings were conducted via Microsoft Teams and at the Pima County Housing Center. Staff provided reports to the Committee regarding the status of agencies currently funded, and a brief application overview. More than 115 presentations were delivered by agency representatives to the Committee. Representatives provided overviews of their new or existing Outside Agency funded programs and responded to questions regarding their program details, budgets, and narratives.

FY 2026-2027 OA Committee Recommendations

The Committee and staff reviewed all eligible program applications from non-profit agencies requesting \$10,059,380.00 in funding. Of the 136 eligible applications, there were 65 proposals for new programs requesting Outside Agency funding, totaling \$5,033,477.00. The Committee is recommending funding for 58 new agency programs totaling \$870,000.00.

A written Notice of Recommendation for Award was issued on April 6, 2026. On May 28, 2026, Staff received confirmation of an award decline totaling \$15,000.00, due to the closure of an agency. The Committee met today to discuss and provide action on the reallocation of these funds.

The Committee recommends and requests that the Board of Supervisors review and approve the attached OA funding recommendations. The Committee and staff assumed level funding for the FY2026-2027 Outside Agency budget.

Pursuant to Board of Supervisors review and approval of the attached OA funding recommendations, the Committee will meet in late-October to review the following:

- Status of FY2026-2027 OA contracts; and
- First quarterly reports for FY2026-2027 funded agencies.

Conclusion

The Committee employs a public process that is community based and transparent. The process is prudent and responsible. Each Committee member recognizes their individual responsibility to evaluate community needs of Pima County to make informed, appropriate, and reasonable recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for valued general fund resources.

Finally, the Committee would like to thank CWD staff for their community knowledge and expertise in supporting the Committee's mission and purpose.

A list of all funding recommendations by the Committee and staff for FY 2026-2027 is included as an attachment totaling \$3,936,620.00.

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Outside Agency Citizen Review Committee Members

<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>District</u>
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cc: Members, Outside Agency Citizen Review Committee
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Attachment: FY 2026-2027 Recommendations for Community & Workforce Development Outside Agency Program Funding

FY 2026-2027 Recommendations for Community Workforce Development Outside Agency Program Funding

Basic Needs Priority Area Category		Requested	FY26/27 Recommendation
Agency	Program Name		
Arivaca Coordinating Council-Human Resource Group Inc.	Food Security	\$99,000	\$53,195
Arivaca Coordinating Council-Human Resource Group Inc.	Helping HEARTS	\$15,000	\$15,000
Arizona Diaper Bank	Diapers for Infants, Children, Disabled, and Seniors	\$66,904	\$27,195
Casa de los Niños	Foster Care Food Pantry	\$15,000	\$15,000
Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona, Inc	Case Management for Homeless Families	\$58,110	\$42,195
Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona, Inc	Emergency Food Pantry and Clothing Closet	\$75,000	\$15,000
Community Food Bank, Inc.	Child Nutrition Program	\$40,000	\$26,195
Community Food Bank, Inc.	Emergency Food Assistance	\$375,000	\$262,873
Community Food Bank, Inc.	Rural Resource Centers	\$80,000	\$70,195
Community Home Repair Projects of Arizona	Roof Repair and Replacement Program	\$100,000	\$26,195
Epidaurus DBA Amity Foundation	Road to Recovery	\$15,000	\$15,000
Felicia's Farm / FKA Izi Azi Foundation	Felicia's Farm	\$15,000	\$15,000
GAP Ministries	Basic needs /Support services	\$196,610	\$15,000
Greater Vail Community ReSources	Emergency Food	\$15,000	\$15,000
I Am You 360	I Am You 360 Small Home Experience Dignity First Program	\$75,000	\$15,000
IMPACT of Southern Arizona	IMPACT Clothing Bank	\$36,000	\$23,975
IMPACT of Southern Arizona	IMPACT Food Bank	\$43,000	\$26,660
Interfaith Community Services	Emergency Financial Services	\$50,000	\$24,395
Interfaith Community Services	ICS Mobile Meals	\$50,000	\$30,195
Interfaith Community Services	Transportation for At-Risk Seniors	\$50,000	\$29,595
Mobile Meals of Southern Arizona, Inc.	More Than Meals - Essential Food Delivery	\$50,000	\$27,895
Our Family Services, Inc.	Common Unity Program	\$39,144	\$23,695
Our Family Services, Inc.	Emergency Shelter Services	\$58,148	\$36,695
Primavera Foundation, Inc.	Casa Paloma Drop-In Center	\$35,000	\$26,195
Primavera Foundation, Inc.	Homelessness Intervention and Prevention (HIP)	\$35,000	\$29,195
Sahuarita Food Bank (DBA: Marana Food Bank & Community Resource Center)	Marana Food Bank Emergency Food	\$200,000	\$106,217
Sahuarita Food Bank (DBA: Marana Food Bank & Community Resource Center)	Sahuarita Food Bank Emergency Food	\$45,000	\$38,195
Sister Jose Women's Center	Case Navigation (formerly Gateway to Housing)	\$50,000	\$15,000
Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation	SAAF Food For Life	\$137,500	\$80,195
Splinter Art and Community Fund	Mobile Home Park Eviction Prevention and Housing Security Project	\$15,000	\$15,000
The John P. Bell Family Foundation DBA Team Lizzie Bell	Team Lizzie Bell	\$15,000	\$15,000
The Salvation Army	OUTSIDE AGENCY - MOTEL	\$40,000	\$15,000
Tucson Jewish Community Center, Inc.	Advancing Independence at the Tucson J	\$15,000	\$15,000
Tucson Medical Center Foundation	Tucson Collaborative Community Care	\$50,000	\$15,000
St. Luke's in the Desert, Inc	Nutritional Services	\$50,000	\$0
CATEGORY SUBTOTAL		\$2,304,416	\$1,221,145

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Community Well-being and Safety Priority Area Category		Requested	FY26/27 Recommendation
Agency	Program Name		
Administration of Resources and Choices	Elder Services, Safety, and Placement	\$54,820	\$37,695
Arizona Burn Foundation	Pima County Community Smoke Alarm Walks	\$15,000	\$15,000
Casa de los Niños	Parent Education	\$15,000	\$15,000
Center for Community Mediation and Facilitation	Conflict Resolution	\$20,961	\$15,000
CPLC	CPLC Nahui Ollin Wellness Program	\$69,997	\$15,000
International Rescue Committee	Victims Services Program	\$15,000	\$15,000
Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation	SAAF AVP (Anti-Violence Project)	\$30,000	\$19,195
Tucson Center for Women and Children dba Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse	Lay Legal Services for Domestic Violence Victims	\$15,000	\$15,000
Tucson Center for Women and Children dba Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse	Youth Violence Prevention and Intervention	\$15,000	\$15,000
Tucson Medical Center Foundation	Desert Kids Safety Program	\$50,000	\$0
CATEGORY SUBTOTAL		\$300,778	\$161,890

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Education and Workforce Development Priority Area Category		Requested	FY26/27 Recommendation
Agency	Program Name		
Amistades, Inc.	Amistades Prosperity Circles	\$60,228	\$15,000
Arivaca Action Center Incorporated	Arivaca Early Learning Center	\$27,750	\$17,195
Banner Health Foundation	Banner Health Career Explorers Program	\$15,000	\$15,000
Casa de los Niños	The Kelly Early Education Center	\$15,000	\$15,000
Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona, Inc	Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona/Childcare For Working Poor	\$150,000	\$15,000
Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona, Inc	Workforce Development	\$15,000	\$15,000
Community Food Bank, Inc.	Caridad Community Kitchen	\$50,000	\$30,995
Goodwill Industries of Southern Arizona, inc.	Goodwill Adult Reentry Employment and Training Project	\$235,980	\$15,000
Greater Tucson Leadership, INC	Tucson Youth Leadership Academy	\$50,000	\$15,000
International Rescue Committee	Workforce Development - Job Club (Job Readiness Training)	\$21,500	\$15,695
Literacy Connects	Literacy Connects Youth Development Programs	\$62,422	\$44,195
Live the Solution dba Earn to Learn	Earn to Learn - Wrap-Around Services	\$100,000	\$15,000
Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest	Direct Care Worker Workforce Development	\$15,000	\$15,000
Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest	English Literacy Training for Workforce Development	\$15,000	\$15,000
Make Way for Books	The Story Project	\$50,000	\$21,395
Sahuarita Food Bank (DBA: Marana Food Bank & Community Resource Center)	Community Resource Center	\$15,000	\$15,000
Sahuarita Food Bank (DBA: Marana Food Bank & Community Resource Center)	Summit Community Development Program	\$15,000	\$15,000
Southwest Fair Housing Council	Fair Housing Education and Enforcement Program	\$35,000	\$15,000
The Dunbar Coalition Inc. dba Dunbar Pavilion	Technology Training for Seniors	\$15,000	\$15,000
The John P. Bell Family Foundation DBA Team Lizzie Bell	Healthy Workers	\$15,000	\$15,000
Tucson Children's Museum, Inc. Dba Children's Museum Tucson	Story School at Children's Museum Tucson	\$15,000	\$15,000
Tucson Girls Chorus	Tucson Girls Chorus Community Engagement Program	\$15,000	\$15,000
Tucson Preparatory School	Continuing Education for Adult Youth	\$20,000	\$15,000
United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona	Empowered Teaching	\$15,000	\$15,000
Youth On Their Own	YOTO Program (Academic Stipends)	\$125,000	\$116,195
YWCA Southern Arizona	YWCA Economic Justice	\$75,000	\$15,000
Tucson Medical Center Foundation	Patient Care Technician Training Program	\$75,724	\$0
United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona	Thriving Futures Mentorship	\$15,000	\$0
CATEGORY SUBTOTAL		\$1,333,604	\$545,670

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Health and Wellness Priority Area Category		Requested	FY26/27 Recommendation
Agency	Program Name		
Amistad y Salud, Clinica Amistad	Community Health & Wellness	\$60,000	\$27,595
Arizona Youth Partnership (AZYP)	Arizona Youth Partnership (AZYP) The Early Childhood Mental Health Program	\$15,000	\$15,000
Ayuda Smiles, Inc.	Smiles for Veterans	\$30,000	\$15,000
Casa de los Niños	Casa de los Niños Uninsured Fund	\$15,000	\$15,000
Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona, Inc	Reengaging and Connecting Deaf, Deaf Blind and Elderly Deaf Individuals with Resources through Supportive Partnerships	\$60,000	\$43,195
Child & Family Resources, Inc	Child and Adult Care Food Program	\$15,000	\$15,000
Community Emergency Medical Responders Foundation Inc dba CCHS Foundation	CCHS Homeless Medical Stabilization & Early Intervention Program	\$50,000	\$15,000
Compass Affordable Housing	CAH Tenant Empowerment, Advancement & Mentorship Program	\$30,000	\$15,000
Friends of Aphasia	Friends of Aphasia	\$20,000	\$15,000
Green Valley Assistance Services, Inc., dba Valley Assistance Services	Older Adult Resource Program Specialist	\$34,110	\$15,000
Green Valley Assistance Services, Inc., dba Valley Assistance Services	Transforming Health Care Through Transportation	\$30,000	\$15,000
International Rescue Committee	Health - Medical Case Management	\$95,264	\$15,695
Jewish Family and Children's Services of Southern Arizona	HoME	\$54,946	\$31,195
Marana Health	Marana Health Integrated Street Medicine	\$30,000	\$15,000
Primavera Foundation, Inc.	Supp Hsg RS Svcs/ Supportive Services	\$45,000	\$29,390
Saavi Services for the Blind	Health and Wellness Program for Blind Seniors	\$35,000	\$19,195
Sahuarita Food Bank (DBA: Marana Food Bank & Community Resource Center)	Prescription for Health	\$15,000	\$15,000
Soldier's Best Friend	Soldier's Best Friend Service Dog Training Program	\$30,000	\$15,000
Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation	SAAF ALLY	\$45,000	\$33,195
Tucson Medical Center Foundation	TMC For Seniors	\$15,000	\$15,000
University of Arizona Foundation d/b/a Mobile Health Program	Mobile Health Program for Medically Underserved Residents	\$15,000	\$15,000
University of Arizona Foundation f/b/o Pima County Cooperative Extension, The Garden Kitchen	PLAZA (Promoting Local Arizona Agriculture) Mobile Market: Expanding Food Access and a Thriving Local Food Economy	\$88,961	\$15,000
Serve Society	Mobile Community Haircare & Wellness Program	\$120,000	\$0
The John P. Bell Family Foundation DBA Team Lizzie Bell	Safe Homes	\$15,000	\$0
CATEGORY SUBTOTAL		\$963,281	\$424,460

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Prosperity Initiative Priority Area Category			FY26/27
Agency	Program Name	Requested	Recommendation
3rd Decade	3rd Decade Financial Education and Mentoring	\$50,000	\$15,000
Arivaca Coordinating Council-Human Resource Group Inc.	STAR Program (Formerly Senior Support)	\$86,600	\$20,195
Casa de los Niños	Casa de los Niños Care Coordination	\$15,000	\$15,000
Child & Family Resources, Inc	Pima County Healthy Families	\$47,436	\$35,695
Flowers & Bullets	Expanding Food Security and Entrepreneurship in Midtown Tucson	\$15,000	\$15,000
International Rescue Committee	Prosperity Initiative- Workforce and Career Pathways for New Americans	\$100,000	\$15,000
Jewish Family and Children's Services of Southern Arizona	Financial Wellness Program	\$83,227	\$19,395
Local First Arizona Foundation	Fuerza Local Business Accelerator by Local First Arizona	\$15,000	\$15,000
Step Up To Justice Pro Bono Law Center	Consumer Protection Legal Clinics	\$25,000	\$15,000
The IDEA School	Free Lunch Program, low-income students	\$18,000	\$0
The University of Arizona Foundation for the benefit of Wassaja Carlos Montezuma Center for Native American Health	The University of Arizona Foundation for the benefit of Wassaja Carlos Montezuma Center for Native American Health	\$2,687,974	\$0
CATEGORY SUBTOTAL		\$3,143,237	\$165,285
Youth and Family Services Priority Area Category			FY26/27
Agency	Program Name	Requested	Recommendation
Arizona Diaper Bank	Potty Training for Toddlers	\$17,250	\$15,000
Arizona's Children Association	Las Familias Program	\$50,000	\$28,695
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern Arizona	Mentor 2.0	\$15,000	\$15,000
Boys to Men Tucson, INC	Boys to Men Tucson - Restorative Group Mentoring	\$32,096	\$15,000
Center for Community Mediation and Facilitation	Conflict Literacy Training	\$19,668	\$15,000
Child & Family Resources, Inc	The Resilience Initiative	\$15,000	\$15,000
Daibudo Kodenkan Matsuno Kenshukai	Youth Martial Arts Scholarship Program	\$20,000	\$15,000
Girl Scouts of Southern Arizona	EmpowHERment Program: Today's Girl Scouts, Tomorrow's Leaders	\$45,000	\$25,195
Portable Practical Educational Preparation, Inc.	Amado Food Project	\$19,500	\$15,000
Sahuarita Food Bank (DBA: Marana Food Bank & Community Resource Center)	Family Resource Center	\$15,000	\$15,000
Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation	SAAF EON	\$45,000	\$25,195
Tu Nidito Children and Family Services	Children to Children	\$30,000	\$23,995
Tu Nidito Children and Family Services	Pathways	\$20,000	\$15,195
YWCA Southern Arizona	Pima County Teen Court	\$54,500	\$38,195
Green Valley Assistance Services, Inc., dba Valley Assistance Services	Youth and Family Resource Program	\$30,000	\$0
CATEGORY SUBTOTAL		\$428,014	\$276,470

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General Services Priority Area Category		Requested	FY26/27 Recommendation
Agency	Program Name		
Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum	Invasive Species and Fire Education	\$49,000	\$44,528
El Rio Santa Cruz Neighborhood Health Center, Inc.	Patient Centered Medical Home Program	\$50,000	\$45,108
El Rio Santa Cruz Neighborhood Health Center, Inc.	Trichloroethylene Program	\$170,000	\$161,178
Friends of Robles Ranch	My Friends Closet/Robles Ranch Food Bank	\$63,874	\$47,978
Pima Council on Aging	Family Caregiver Support	\$100,000	\$17,578
Pima Council on Aging	Neighbors Care Alliance	\$75,000	\$55,978
Pima Council on Aging	Rights and Benefits	\$180,000	\$130,278
Pima County Community Land Trust	PCCLT Housing Counseling	\$82,405	\$60,978
Southern Arizona Children's Advocacy Center, Inc.	Support Services for Child Victims	\$75,000	\$70,538
United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona	Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program	\$50,011	\$26,000
CATEGORY SUBTOTAL		\$895,290	\$660,142
CWD OA PRIORITY AREA CATEGORIES TOTAL		\$9,368,620	\$3,455,062

Other Department Priorities (County Administration/Health Department/Natural Resources Parks & Recreation)		Requested	FY26/27 Recommendation
Agency	Program Name		
(CA) Pima Association of Governments	Pima Association of Governments Overall Work Program	\$298,000	\$298,000
(HD) Tucson Center for Women and Children dba Emerge Center Against Domestic Abuse	Comprehensive Domestic Violence Support Services	\$325,000	\$115,798
(NRPR) Desert Survivors Inc	Desert Survivors Inc	\$67,760	\$67,760
OTHER DEPARTMENT PRIORITIES CATEGORY SUBTOTAL		\$690,760	\$481,558
OA PROGRAM TOTAL		\$10,059,380	\$3,936,620