2022 Municipal Community Grants Funding Recommendations City of Salida

Summary

The 2022 Grant Process received 37 applications for funding. Five applicants were not recommended for funding. 33 organizations were allocated funding from the Salida Community Grants Fund totaling \$85,857.

The average award size from the City of Salida fund was \$2,600. Thirty of the applicants were also awarded funding by the Town of Buena Vista with a total of \$135,563 invested in the community. The average gift size with both funding sources factored in was \$2,078.

Six organizations were funded through line-item funding. During the initial review process, the grant review committee was not informed of the line-item funding so that the applicants could be considered for competitive funds as well. When allocating awards, the line item was used as the bottom baseline for funding (i.e. the award amount could not be less than the line item) and the difference between the recommended and the line-item was allocated out of the competitive funds. The review committee did not recommend funding at an amount higher than the line-item allocations from the Salida Fund.

The 2022 Grant process shifted from project-based funding that places an undue burden on the organization to operating funding which fills a need in the nonprofit sector to cover the hard to pay for expenses that are inherently necessary for their program to exist. Organizations were evaluated on their total impact - not on the impact of a particular project. The exception to this organization other than 501c3's and faith-based organizations which applied for a specific charitable activity.

The Grant Review Committee consisted of 8 volunteers who contributed at least 25 hours of their time to review applicants and make funding recommendations. CCCF is incredibly grateful for these dedicated volunteers who made it possible to have a balanced and in-depth review of the applicants.

Factors in Funding Recommendations

The Grant Review committee strived to base all decisions on objective and defensible data. Inevitably tough decisions were made in order to meet the budget available and were based on a formula or an objective data source.





Application

Complete

501c3 or taxexempt status

All required documents uploaded



Committee Reviews

Score (% to 100)

Direct benefit

Avg. \$\$ recommendation



Site Visits

Follow-up Questions

Additional documentation

New information or changes



Final Recommendations

Start with avg. \$\$ recommended

+ or – based on site visit info

Final budget trim:

- < 70% funded at 65%
- < 90% funded at 75%
- >90% funded at 100%

Case-by-case discussion

Funding allocated to Town of BV based on percentage of residents served.

Application Summaries

Due to the large number of applications, these summaries only include organizational mission statements, reviewer ranking average, amount requested and amount funded. Full applications, individual evaluations, and other documentation are available on request.

Attached at the end is a summary spreadsheet showing all awards, average score, and the allocation of funding.

Example of the summary:

Organization Name – Program/Project/Org Support Name

Mission Statement of Organization goes here.

Committee Review Rank:

Site Visit Conducted:

Yes/No

Requested Amount: Avg. Committee Recommendation: Final Recommendation:

\$.00 \$.00 **\$0.00**

Funding:

Amount funded by Town of Buena Vista Amount funded by City of Salida





Attachments:

Summary Narrative Summary Spreadsheet CCCF's Grant Process and Procedure Policy



