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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

for

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

May 2, 2024

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
And the Honorable Council
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REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to accept and expend \$1,000,000 to assist in the building of the Mark Stebbins Community Center effective upon approvals of the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council through June 30, 2025. This is an allowable use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) under Section 602(c)(1)(A) to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted as follows:

Table with 5 columns: CLASS, ACCOUNT, FY2024 CURRENT MODIFIED BUDGET, FY2024 BUDGET REQUEST, FY2024 REVISED BUDGET. Rows include EXPENDITURES (040-042, 072, 085, 103, TOTAL) and SOURCE OF FUNDS (000 - Federal Funds, TOTAL REVENUE).

[1] All direct program costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0233A and all administrative and indirect costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0233Z. Accounting classifications may be subject to technical changes at the discretion of the Department of Administrative Services' Division of Accounting Services.

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EXPLANATION

The Mark Stebbins Community Center (MSCC), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is a new initiative to address the critical needs of underserved children and families on the West Side of Manchester. MSCC will be a multi-service nonprofit center to bring resources to children and families. The West Side of Manchester has several challenges, including a lack of access to food, childcare, healthcare, transportation, and lack of social services. The Center's goal is to bring nonprofit services together under one roof in one location to serve the community. The community center will focus on meeting the needs identified by the community and will provide services, assistance, and empowerment to a growing population in need. The Center will focus on providing services such as affordable, walkable childcare, after-school care, access to affordable health care, community meeting space, and additional support services offered by our anchor agency tenants and other fellow nonprofit agencies.

This \$1,000,000 investment will help fund costs associated with the construction of the new Center. MSCC intends to start construction in Spring 2025 and complete the project within one year. This item will result in an award to MSCC through which GOFERR will monitor the progress on the construction and will be structured to assure funds do not go unused.

Funds for this award are made available through ARPA SFRF funding that has been reallocated from programs that did not expend their entire award amount.

Funds are to be budgeted as follows:

Class 040 – Indirect Costs to recover, per RSA 21-I:75, a proportional share of the outside funding source to alleviate central service costs.

Class 041 - Audit Fund Set Aside to comply with RSA 124:16 that requires all agencies that receive federal funds to set aside a percentage (0.1%) of the federal revenue amount received to pay for financial and compliance audits.

Class 072- Grants Federal to provide funding for an award as described above.

In the event that Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



Taylor Caswell
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