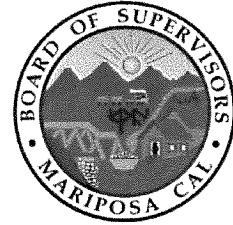




MARIPOSA COUNTY

Public Works · 209 966 5356



RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2019-69

MEETING: February 5, 2019
TO: The Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mike Healy, Public Works Director
RE: Award Youth Sports Financial Support

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:

Instruct the Public Works Director to Award Financial Support to Mariposa County Youth Sports Organizations as Follows: Little League \$2,000, Bears Football \$2,000, Girls Softball \$1,500 and Youth Soccer \$1,500.

There is no recommended award for Youth Basketball as they declined staffs repeated invitation and encouragement to apply for this grant program.

The Board appropriated a total of \$7,000 in the Parks and Recreation FY 18/19 Budget in order to assist both resident families with the affordability of local youth sports programming while also making an investment in the financial sustainability of youth sports programming in Mariposa County.

Staff reached out to the various youth sports organizations seeking responses to the following questions:

If you were to receive a youth sports grant from Mariposa County;

- 1) How would this assist in the sustainability of your programming?
- 2) Is there a particular purchase that you would make if a grant were available?
- 3) What programs, if any, do you have in place to insure that the cost of participation in your program is not a deterrent to low income youth participation?

Staff was very happy to know that in each program scholarships are available to assist low income youth participation were available. The award criteria and amount of award determination was based upon a number of factors including number of youth served by a particular program, scholarship availability, insurance liability and equipment costs per participant.

The Parks and Recreation Commission both applauds the Board of Supervisors for this investment in the County's youth after years of not being able to do to budget

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constraints and recommends that the Board embrace the Award amounts as developed by staff.

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:

The Board has made similar investments in Youth Sports Organizations serving the Youth of Mariposa County in the past.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

Should the Board decide not to approve these appropriated fund disbursements for this intended purpose funds will not be spent or reapportioned and this investment in youth sports programming will not be made causing the real potential of escalating participation fees and an erosion of the ability for organizations to assist families with the affordability of participation.

RESULT: **ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Marshall Long, District III Supervisor

SECONDER: Rosemarie Smallcombe, District I Supervisor

AYES: Rosemarie Smallcombe, Marshall Long, Kevin Cann, Miles Menetrey

EXCUSED: Merlin Jones