



# Agenda Report

**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, July 12, 2022

**TO:** City Council

**FROM:** PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR CALUBAQUIB  
DARREN GERTLER, RECREATION COORDINATOR

**SUBJECT:** RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING \$30,000 FROM  
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY TO  
WATSONVILLE SCIENCE WORKSHOP

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## **STATEMENT OF ISSUES:**

Approve and appropriate gift of \$30,000, provided anonymously to the Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County, for the City of Watsonville.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

It is recommended that the City Council accept and appropriate the \$30,000 gift provided anonymously to the Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County, for the City of Watsonville, in order for the Mobile Science Van and satellite science workshop sites to continue to operate.

## **DISCUSSION:**

### **Background**

A single anonymous donor advised fund has been supporting the Watsonville Science Workshop Mobile Van and satellite programs for over ten years. Both of these programs greatly broaden the impact of the Science Workshop throughout the community. These two programs help serve students that do not have transportation or supervision sufficient to access the Flagship Science Workshop site at Marinovich Park.

The Mobile Science Van operates five (5) days a week year-round. It currently serves over twenty (20) students per day. Materials, teammate and administrative costs associated to run the Mobile Science van are covered by grants. Without the support of the community, this program would not be able to operate.

The Satellite Science Workshop Program is currently housed at River Park. Similar to the Mobile Science Van, expenses to run this satellite workshop are covered by grants and donations from the community.

These funds from the Community Foundation of Santa Cruz County will directly benefit the Science Workshop as it will greatly expand its reach outside of the walls of the permanent Science Workshop locations.

**STRATEGIC PLAN:**

The Mobile Science Van and satellite science workshop sites support the Strategic Plan Priority of Community Engagement & Well-Being in leveraging resources and strengthening community partnerships by providing youth activities and programs.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The revenue and expenses for this contract will be appropriated as follows:

- Revenue: 337-694-5895-10078: \$30,000 (\$3,000 reserved to cover administrative expenses)
- Expenses:
  - Personnel – 337-xxxx-10078: \$22,000
  - Operations – 337-xxxx-10078: \$5,000

**ALTERNATIVE ACTION:**

If not approved to accept and appropriate, the Mobile Science Van and Satellite sites will need to reduce its services and days of work.

**ATTACHMENTS AND/OR REFERENCES (If any):**

None.