Agenda Item Summary Report

Meeting Date: September 9, 2024	Submitted by: Michelle Bailey Hedgepeth, Town Administrator

Item Title: Approval and Award of the Community Grant for FY 2024 | Royality Institute

Approval and Awards of Community Grant for the Royality Institute for FY 2024

Work Session Item [X] Council Meeting Item [X]	Documentation Attached: Overview Document – Royalty Institute

Recommended Action:

The town staff recommends funding the organization; additional information was provided to support their application.

Town of Bladensburg | COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM | FY 2024 | Royalty Institute (Eye on the Sky Program)

Summary: The Town issues an "operating grant" to support the day-to-day costs of running a non-profit organization. A "capital grant" funds nonprofit organizations to purchase equipment and related supplies or make capital improvements (renovations, remodeling, etc.). – Maximum Award $2,000

Award Criteria:
1. Organizations that provide services that sustain and empower youth, families, and individuals to move towards an improved quality of life and self-sufficiency.
2. Organizations that provide programs that preserve and enhance a community's character.
3. Organizations that provide programs that contribute to a vibrant economy; or
4. Programs that are integral to community revitalization, economic development, and environmental sustainability.

Below is a chart that summarizes staff recommendations and applications received:

Name of Organization	Request	Service	Staff Recommendation
Eye to the Sky- Royalty Institute	$2000	Mentoring	Approval—This group offers similar services in the surrounding areas. It partners with the Bladensburg Community Center.

The Town Administrator can answer any questions about this item. The attached document provides more background on the programs.

Budgeted Item: Yes [X] No [ ] Budgeted Amount:$ 12,000 One-Time Cost: $2,000 per Awardee Ongoing Cost:	Continued Date:
Council Priority: Yes [ ] No [ ]	Approved Date: