

STAFF REPORT 2/10/2021

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Celina Jimenez, Grants Manager

SUBJECT: Authorize a Community Based Grant to the Galilee Center in the Amount of

\$1,000 to Support their Food Basket Distribution Program

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council consider awarding a Community Based Grant (CBG) to the Galilee Center in the amount of \$1,000.00 to support their food basket distribution program.

BACKGROUND:

The Community Based Grant Program was established in 2010 and allows the City of Coachella to offer financial assistance to local nonprofit organizations, youth-serving organizations, and other community-based organizations that provide essential services, programs and activities to residents in Coachella. Applicant organizations are only eligible to submit one application for consideration each fiscal year and must be legally established with non-profit or tax-exempt status, be based in the Coachella Valley, or provide direct service to Coachella residents. Approval of grant funds does not constitute a precedent for grant allocations in subsequent years. All CBG grants are reimbursement grants to ensure that applicants are meeting their stated goals. The FY 20-21 budget included an allocation of \$15,000 for the Community Based Grant Program.

DISCUSSION/ANALYSIS:

The Galilee Center is nonprofit organization with the mission to fulfill the needs of the underprivileged and disadvantaged by providing food, clothing, and other basic needs and affirm their dignity with love, compassion and respect. The Galilee Center is requesting grant funding support to provide food baskets to City of Coachella families.

ALTERNATIVES:

- 1. Authorize a Community Based Grant to the Galilee Center in the Amount of \$1,000 to Support their Food Distribution Program
- 2. Not Authorize a Community Based Grant to the Galilee Center in the Amount of \$1,000 to Support their Food Distribution Program

FISCAL IMPACT:

Should the City Council approve the staff recommendation, the Community Based Grant account will be reduced by \$1,000.00 leaving \$11,000.00 for the remainder of the fiscal year.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Copy of Application