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FOCUS AREA: Other / NA

SUBJECT: **COMMUNITY FUNDING REQUEST for the DOUGLAS AREA FOOD BANK.**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Douglas Area Food Bank is seeking emergency funding in the amount of \$10,000 through the community Funding Request Program.

BACKGROUND:

The Douglas Area Food Bank received notice from the Community Food Bank of Southeast Arizona that their partnership was discontinued. As a result, the Douglas Area Food Bank does not have any food items to provide for the Douglas community.

President Javier Fimbres submitted a letter to Mayor Grijalva requesting emergency funding in the amount of \$10,000 citing that contributions from Wal-Mart have decreased significantly to 100 pounds. The recent issues with the Community Food Bank of Southeast Arizona are currently being investigated with a quick resolution being sought. The Douglas Area Food Bank has been servicing the community for many years utilizing the building at 660 G Avenue and most recently from the Food City parking lot the first and second Mondays of the month.

City staff directed the Food Bank to the Community Funding Request Program and guiding them on our application process.

DISCUSSION:

The funding request may be funded through the Mayor/Council Special Projects line item with a current balance of \$86,000.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$10,000 from General Fund

Fiscal Year: 2024/2025

Amount Requested: \$0

Budgeted: Y / N

Account (s):

“...I MOVE THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE COMMUNITY FUNDING REQUEST FOR THE DOUGLAS AREA FOOD BANK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 TO PROVIDE FOOD ITEMS TO THE DOUGLAS COMMUNITY.”