



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: December 10, 2025

PRESENTER: John Jansons, City Manager

SUBJECT: Consideration of City Council Donation to Kerman Food Bank to Assist Kerman Households (JAJ)

RECOMMENDATION: Council by motion adopt resolution authorizing a \$1,000 (or amount as determined by the City Council) donation to the Kerman Food Bank to support Kerman households.

BACKGROUND:

At the last City Council meeting, Mayor Pro Tem Yep requested that an item be added to the agenda regarding a City donation to the Kerman Food Bank (KFB). The City of Kerman has supported the KFB for many years and, in 2023, perfected a License Agreement with the KFB allowing them to occupy 14660 W. D Street for \$1.00 (one dollar) per year in rent. This building is part of the Senior Center property, which the City leases from the Kerman Unified School District.

The Food Bank routinely occupies approximately 580 square feet of space in the D Street building, which has an estimated market rental value of \$580.00 (five hundred eighty dollars) per month. The City also frequently makes additional adjacent space available at no cost to the Food Bank when their inventory fluctuates. Under the License Agreement, the City pays the monthly utility charges for the property, including electricity, gas, water, sewer, refuse, and recycling services.

In response to the recent federal government shutdown, concerns arose about the suspension of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), which is funded by the Federal Government and administered by the States.

DISCUSSION:

Last month, prior to the “re-opening of the Government” after a 42-day interruption in funding, SNAP funding was restored, and this is no longer such an urgent matter as it was at that time. Nonetheless, there may still be a desire by City Council to assist the Kerman Food Bank, as community need is often greater than the Kerman Food Bank can meet. With this in mind, a draft Resolution is presented here as **Attachment ‘A’** to this report to award \$1,000 or another amount as determined by Council, to the Kerman Food Bank to support their efforts to assist Kerman households.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$1,000 from City Council Grant/Sponsorship Fund.

ATTACHMENTS:

A. Resolution

Attachment 'A'

RESOLUTION NO. 25-__

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KERMAN AWARDING A \$__ GRANT TO
THE KERMAN FOOD BANK TO ASSIST KERMAN HOUSEHOLDS**

WHEREAS, the "Government Shutdown", which lasted 42 days and included a suspension of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) funding, gave rise to the City Council's concern about Kerman households effected by the interruption of SNAP benefits; and

WHEREAS, while the shutdown is over and SNAP benefits are once again reaching participants, there remains a desire to support the Kerman Food Bank in assisting Kerman households; and

WHEREAS, a donation to the Kerman Food Bank has an inherent public benefit in assisting needy households and individuals in Kerman during their time of need; and

WHEREAS, the Kerman City Council wishes to assist the Kerman Food Bank with a donation of \$__ to provide food assistance to Kerman households.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Kerman does hereby award the Kerman Food Bank a grant of \$__ to assist Kerman households.

SECTION 1. The above referenced recitals are true and correct.

SECTION 2. The Director of Finance is ordered to provide \$__ from the City Council Grant/Sponsorship Fund to the Kerman Food Bank.

SECTION 3. This Resolution is effective upon adoption, and time is of the essence.

The foregoing resolution was approved by the City Council of the City of Kerman at a regular meeting on the 10th day of December 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution is hereby approved.

Maria Pacheco
Mayor

ATTEST:

Josie Camacho
City Clerk