

CITY OF MERIDIAN RESOLUTION NO. 23-2402

BY THE CITY COUNCIL:

**BORTON, CAVENER, HOAGLUN,
OVERTON, PERRAULT, STRADER**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN AUTHORIZING THE PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR TO ADMINISTER THE CARE TO SHARE PROGRAM; ESTABLISHING ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA AND PARAMETERS FOR CARE TO SHARE FUNDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution no. 08-630, the City of Meridian established the Care to Share Program, a donation-based that makes children's recreation classes accessible for low- and moderate-income families; and

WHEREAS, the funds for the Care to Share Program are raised entirely from donations and not from taxpayer dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Director is authorized to administer the program and the funds collected pursuant to this policy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERIDIAN, IDAHO AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Parks and Recreation Director is authorized to administer the program and the funds collected pursuant to the policy and procedures set forth in this resolution;

Section 2. That any member of the public may request access to Care to Share funds for a child, and the Parks and Recreation Director or designee shall assess such child's eligibility for the Care to Share funds.

Section 3. That a child shall be deemed eligible for Care to Share funds if financial need is documented using proof of current use of other assistance program, including, but not limited to the following examples: free school lunch, food stamps, energy assistance, Women Infants & Children (WIC), Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), etc.

Section 4. That the following parameters and limitations shall apply to disbursement of Care to Share funds:

- a. Care to Share funds may be used to fund up to 80% of the cost of a class, camp, lesson, membership or any recreational youth program offered in our department activity guide for an eligible child.
- b. Each child shall be limited to an annual calendar year maximum of Care to Share awards in an amount equivalent to the fee for two (2) weeks of summer day camp (e.g. Camp Mer-Ida-Moo or like programming), per City fee schedule.
- c. Care to Share fund awards are granted on first come, first served basis.
- d. Care to Share awards shall be made only to the extent such funds are available.

Section 5. That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this 8th day of August, 2023

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Meridian, Idaho, this 8th day of August, 2023

APPROVED:

Robert E. Simison, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
Chris Johnson, City Clerk