



**Community Services Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes**

MEETING PLACE/DATE:

Wednesday, October 16th, 2024

In-Person and Zoom Virtual Meeting

American Lake Conference Room, City Hall Lobby

6000 Main St SW Lakewood, WA 98499

5:30-6:30PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Kyle Franklin called the meeting to order at 5:37 pm

ATTENDANCE:

Community Services Advisory Board Members Present:

Kyle Franklin, Michael Lacadie, Denise Nicole Franklin, Shelby Taylor and Laurie Maus

Community Services Advisory Board Members Excused:

Darrin Lawry

Staff: Shannon Bennett provided staff support

Guests:

Charles Ames came to observe the meeting.

Youth Council Liaison:

Estrella Gonzalez-Sanchez, Irie Hinkle, Jaqueline Gonzalez-Mejia, Lesli Rosales-Martinez, Nathalye Lopez, Reinida Benavente, Ruffaro Guzha, and Sotiria Sexton

Council Liaison:

Michael Brandstetter

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: September 25, 2024, meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

5 Year Consolidated Plan Presentation: Jeff Gumm and Martha Larkin gave an update on the development of the CDBG/HOME 5 Year Consolidated Plan process. Staff is currently working with a consultant, JQUAD on the community needs survey.

Finalize 2025/26 Human Services Funding Recommendations: Members considered the group's application rating cores and information gained through the applicant interviews when determining their funding recommendations to Council. All the applicants being recommended met the application criteria. However, because program funding requests far exceeded the available resources, CSAB created the following criteria used for recommending specific dollar amounts based on ranking for each strategy.

1. Highest rated proposals in each priority are recommended to receive up to \$25,000;
2. Second highest rated proposals are recommended to receive up to \$20,000;
3. Third highest rated proposals are recommended to receive up to \$16,000;
4. Fourth highest rated proposals are recommended to receive up to \$15,000; and
5. Fifth and Sixth rated proposals are recommended to receive up to \$12,000.

As with each funding cycle, the number of applications received far exceeded the available funds, so members took part in some tough decision making to allocate the limited equitably. In addition to considering the applications and interviews, members used their hearts and heads to determine the following reasons for some of their tougher funding decisions.

Communities in Schools of Lakewood (CISL) submitted four (4) applications seeking \$100k in total. Based on their application scores, CISL would have qualified to receive up to \$72,000. Although members recognize the incredible work CISL does for our youth and are recommending all four programs be funded, CSAB members felt it was problematic giving one agency a large portion of available funding, so CSAB is recommending reduced 2025/26 funding for each program.

Rebuilding Together South Sound is receiving \$341,250 in ARPA funds through 12/31/26 (current balance of \$229,71) so CSAB is not recommending 2025/26 funding.

Team Wrk provides a safe and inclusive program that promotes responsible gaming and fosters character development through a focus on digital literacy, online safety, and STEM-related skills. With a strong emphasis on social-emotional learning and mentorship, the program aims to create a supportive environment where students can grow both personally and academically. This program aligns with Council's vision. CSAB is recommending 2025/26 funding.

Ultimately, CSAB agreed to recommend 28 programs Program funding recommendations ranging from \$9,000 to \$25,000.

BOARD MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS: None

MEETING ADJOURN: Kyle Franklin adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

NEXT MEETING:

NOVEMBER 20, 2024, from 5:30-6:30PM



Kyle Franklin, Chair



Shannon Bennett, Staff Person