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Bateman, Kim

Sent:

Monday, September 21, 2020 6:17 PM

To:

BOS Public Comment

Subject:

Letter of Support for Sierra Community House

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Thanks,

Kim Bateman, Ph.D. Executive Dean, Tahoe-Truckee Campus of Sierra College

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Sierra Community House Award

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Sincerely,

Melinda Booth
Executive Director

From:

D Fleming

Sent:

Monday, September 21, 2020 12:02 PM

To:

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Please Approve the CRF Resiliency Grants Program Recommendations (Please Read at

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To the Esteemed Nevada County Board of Supervisors:

After revising the vision for the County to support our community's Anchor Institutions so that the process was more equitable, a RFP for Economic & Community Resiliency Grants Program was released, scored by the Evaluation Panel and funding recommendations were then made by County staff based on that data. It is our hope that you support these recommendations.

In their infinite wisdom and expertise in these matters, the Scoring Committee and Evaluation Panel recommended that the the Food Bank of Nevada County be awarded the \$100,000 that was requested to help cover and mitigate the additional expenses incurred by our organization due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As you may know, the need for food in the County has increased exponentially due to the economic impact of the pandemic.

Whereas we used to feed 300-400 people per month at our Grass Valley distribution, we are now feeding between 1700 and 2500 each week just in Grass Valley! We are also supplying Truckee, Penn Valley, North San Juan and the little Town of Washington with food for distribution to address the increased hunger insecurity caused by the pandemic, PSPS and fires. We have also started a home delivery program for those who are homebound and cannot make it to a distribution.

As a frontline 501(c)3 providing the critical resource of food to our community for almost three and half decades, the Food Bank of Nevada County is the epidemy of a Nevada County *Anchor Institution* and undoubtedly plays a vital and enduring role supporting the greater Nevada County community. In addition to our primary function of feeding hungry families in need, we work closely with the Nevada County Office of Emergency Services, the Red Cross and other emergency organizations throughout the state. We are one of the first organization activated during an emergency and supply food, toiletries and other resources to disaster victims and emergency personnel during a crisis.

This funding is critical to enable us to continue to meet the ever growing need and will ensure that we can still procure, transport, store, sort, bag and distribute enough food to feed our County's families and children who are struggling to put food on the table through 2020. We hope that the Board agrees and supports the good work that staff and community members did to review, score and fulfill our funding request, as well as the other organizations that were recommended for funding.

The Food Bank and the community truly appreciates the efforts and funding the Board has and continues to provide so that our County can better address and survive the economic ravages of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Best Regards,

Doug Fleming
President - Board of Directors

The Food Bank of Nevada County

September 21, 2020



Nevada County Board of Supervisors 950 Maidu Ave, Ste 220 Nevada City, CA 95959

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Thank you for your strong commitment to those institutions that are anchors in Nevada County including The Center for the Arts. This year The Center celebrates its 20th Anniversary and by approving the resolution that is before you today, the Board of Supervisors will provide critical support that will allow The Center's work to continue for another impactful 20 years.

The Center provides up to 30 full and part-time jobs, engages more than 800 volunteers, 6000 individual members, 60 business partners and 7,500 youth each year. The Center champions local visual artists by providing exhibition space, and we collaborate with fellow nonprofit organizations to provide support for their special events and fundraisers.

Leaders in our community have invested \$3.1 million in our new state-of-the- art facility. Our events bring out of town visitors to area hotels. Our customers visit local shops and restaurants before and after events. And our sponsorship program promotes the goods and services of local businesses. Prior to the business interruption created by required closures, The Center was planning to host 120 concerts, 48 rentals, and 60,000 visitors per year. Our 2020 expenditures were projected at \$3,037,528. This spending supports jobs, creates household income and generates \$440,985 for local and state governments. In addition, our audiences were expected to spend more than \$1.7 million in local restaurants, shopping at retailers, paying babysitters, or having dessert after the show.

During these economically challenging times, this resolution will allow The Center to keep our doors open and fulfill our promise to the community. With this vital support we maintain jobs, support local artists, educate youth, and provide a necessary outlet for all to express themselves and to experience the full range of human emotions through the arts.

The arts are uniquely able to promote empathy and compassion, teaching us how to treat others with respect, work together to solve problems, and to be a positive part of our community. The arts are excellent for mental health and combat the effects of isolation. All of these qualities will only be more vital in a post COVID-19 world.

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Thank you for your support of this resolution. It is critical to preserving The Center, maintaining a vibrant sense of community, and the long-term health of our local economy.

Warmly,

Amber Jo Manuel Executive Director September 21, 2020 Nevada County Board of Supervisors 950 Maidu Avenue Nevada City, CA 95959

Dear Supervisors,

Thank you for your continued support of The Center for the Arts, most recently by reviewing the resolution to award The Center \$400,000 from the Economic & Community Resiliency Grants fund. When the number of applicants exceeds the capacity of the fund to grant all requests, the evaluation process must incorporate several factors. The evaluation panel is to be commended for recognizing the cultural value of The Center to our community as well as its financial and economic multiplying effect for Nevada County.

In March, The Center reopened following a two-year closure for complete renovation. The renovation costs were more than \$6 million, funded by the generosity of many community donors, private lenders, and a bank loan from River Valley Community Bank. That The Center was able to secure this level of financing attests to its historic and expected contribution to Nevada County. Having been associated with The Center as a member, volunteer, donor, and board member, I can point to several key reasons justifying this confidence. Here are a few:

- The Center is an anchor institution, delivering arts, music, education, and cultural diversity to Nevada County. Our lives are enhanced by its presence.
- The Center differentiates Nevada County from the many other foothill counties, making ours a preferred place to visit, live, and do business in, all of which help expand our tax base.
- The economic multiplying effect of The Center brings financial benefits—more than any other organization—to many small businesses based in Nevada County.
- In a similar way, The Center's practice of supporting other nonprofit organizations helps to produce awareness and funding for them that they would otherwise not receive.

For COVID-19 to cause The Center's closure after only two events is a huge, but temporary, setback. With so much at stake financially and culturally it is critical to maintain operations during these trying times such that, when we emerge from "lockdown" The Center will be poised to ramp up quickly and once again become the powerful economic driver it has been for the past 20 years.

For all of these reasons, I urge you to give final approval to the evaluation panel's recommendation for awarding the grant in full.

Sincerely, Roger Stover Penn Valley, CA



September 21, 2020

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing to you today on behalf of the Food Bank of Nevada County to encourage you to move forward with the recommendations made by The Evaluation Panel for the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) "Economic & Community Resiliency Grants" Program as developed by the scoring committee and County staff.

As our County continues to navigate through the different crises and emergency situations that arise, it is notable to point out that the Food Bank has never stopped facilitating food access to the population. At our most recent distribution on 09/17/2020, we fed almost 2,000 individuals at our Grass Valley location. Many have lost their jobs due to the pandemic, lost their food due to the Public Safety Power Shutdown, or lost their homes due to fires and evacuations. The Food Bank helps our community stay strong and keep going against all odds. The Food Bank completely changed its operations to comply with the COVID-19 hygiene protocols and has never stopped providing nutritional support to help fight hunger.

The funding we requested and were initially allocated under this grant will allow us to continue providing food to community members in need throughout the County through 2020. We hope that you will agree to fund the organizations as recommended to help ensure that our County's primary food safety net continues unimpeded and we continue to meet the growing need.

Best Regards,

Nicole McNeely

Executive Director
The Food Bank of Nevada County

310 Railroad Ave. Suite 100

Nicole McNeely

Grass Valley CA 95945

Sept 21, 2020

Nevada County Board of Supervisors 950 Maidu Ave Nevada City, CA 95959

Dear Supervisors:

As president of the Board of Directors for the Center for the Arts, I would like to sincerely thank you for your efforts to support our local small businesses and non-profits that have been affected so deeply by the COVID-19 pandemic.

I would also like to thank you for recognizing and supporting The Center, a steadfast icon in our community, who should be joyously celebrating their 20th year anniversary of cultural and economic development for Nevada County but is instead struggling to survive after suffering the loss of nearly all ticket revenue due solely to this pandemic.

I can assure you that the board is steadfast in The Center's commitment to enhance the lives and livelihood of our community. As you can see with some data below, The Center is integral to the culture and vitality of Nevada County:

- Over the past 20 years, the Center has seen more than 350,000 individuals come through our doors with more than 40% of them coming from outside Western Nevada County
- The Center showcases local artists featuring more than 50 local artists and artisans every year.
- The Center plays a critical role in supporting our youth. Each year more than 7,500 youth participate in our programs and more than 400 families attend each Free Family Fun day.
- As a result of this pandemic, The Center has begun a new "From the Center" broadcast program featuring local musicians who might not normally be able to perform on such a stage.

Your award of \$400,000 from the Economic & Community Resiliency Grants fund will allow the Center to continue serving our community, to continue to drive cultural and economic vitality, and to continue to employee local citizens until we are able to resume "normal" operations and stand on our own two feet again.

I can only imagine the challenge of reviewing and awarding the grants to our local anchor institutions. As is the case with limited funding, the funders are often unable to meet requests of every organization. Your team diligently reviewed our application and I implore to approve The Center's full grant recommendation.

Sincerely,

Betsy Swann Brown CFTA Board President Nevada City, CA David Polivy, Mayor

Anna Klovstad, Vice Mayor

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Re: Resolution Approving the Award of \$1,500,000 in Economic & Community Resiliency Grants

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the Coronavirus Relief Fund Economic & Community Resiliency Grants Program. We appreciate that the program is distributing funding throughout the County, including entities that serve Truckee. Specifically, the Town of Truckee and our community partners are thrilled that the evaluation panel has recommended both the Town's and Sierra Community House's proposals for funding.

The proposed "Truckee Winter Wonderland" project was developed by the Town of Truckee in partnership with Truckee Downtown Merchants Association, Truckee Chamber of Commerce, Sierra Business Council, and Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation, with input from over two dozen local business owners. This project will allow us to adapt the Historic Downtown Truckee experience and business operations to accommodate public health requirements in Truckee's winter climate. Keeping Historic Downtown Truckee from "going dark" this winter is essential in order to avoid permanent business closures within eastern Nevada County's economic and cultural core district. Historic Downtown Truckee's impact extends well beyond its boundaries, supporting economic activity throughout the region by making Truckee an attractive place to live, work, and visit. Therefore, maintaining the vibrancy of our Historic Downtown is vital to the economic health of eastern Nevada County.

Additionally, Sierra Community House provides vital support to many of the most vulnerable residents in Eastern Nevada County. During COVID, Sierra Community House has stepped up its efforts to meet our community's growing critical need for rental assistance and hunger relief programs. This funding will support the continuation of these important efforts.

On behalf of the Truckee community, we appreciate the critical support this program will provide to our downtown and to the clients served by Sierra Community House. We recognize the hard work that your evaluation panel put in to rigorously evaluating these applications, and encourage the Board of Supervisors to approve the funding awards as recommended.

Sincerely,

David Polivy Mayor



September 18, 2020

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Re: SR-20-3435 Resolution Approving the Award of \$1,500,00 in "Economic & Community Resiliency Grants"

On behalf of the Truckee Downtown Merchants Association (TDMA), please accept this letter of support for the Town of Truckee to receive the CRF Economic & Community Resiliency Grant recommendation of \$400,000.

The Historic Downtown Truckee grant request evolved from an intentional community collaboration with the Town of Truckee in a leadership role, Truckee Chamber of Commerce, Sierra Business Council, Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation, TDMA and downtown Truckee businesses. Historic Downtown Truckee is an economic driver for our greater community, representing 130 independently-owned businesses and over 1,500 employees.

The Town of Truckee and Truckee businesses have addressed the State mandates with proactive strategies such as flexible use of outdoor space for both restaurants and retail businesses creating "Streeteries" and outdoor retail displays. We are prepared to enhance the current strategy this Fall/Winter, 2020 in Truckee fashion: Pivot, change, and move as needed to support our community.

The CRF Economic & Community Resiliency Grant will ensure our ability to sustain a vibrant and successful downtown which ultimately enhances the success of all of Truckee and eastern Nevada County. As stated by the Truckee Chamber of Commerce, "The Town brought together the brightest and most creative minds in our community to work collaboratively to develop the 'Winter Wonderland' concept." The goal is to create an atmosphere that sustains restaurant and retail businesses that ultimately support economic vitality and our community.

The Truckee Downtown Merchants Association asks the Board of Supervisors to accept the Evaluation Panel's recommendations.

Thank you for providing the structure to distribute these funds to entities that have critical economic and social impact and play vital and enduring roles in our communities.

Sincerely,

Cassie Hebel

Executive Director

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Truckee Downtown Merchants Association



September 21, 2020

Board of Supervisors of Nevada County 950 Maidu Avenue Nevada City, CA 95959

Honorable Board Members,

On behalf of Sierra Cinemas, Inc. (Sierra Theaters), our family, staff and the movie-going community of Western Nevada County, we respectfully request you approve the resolution approving the award in "Economic & Community Resiliency Grants" funded by the Coronavirus Relief Fund (Res. 20-348), and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute grant agreements with Sierra Cinemas, Inc.

As the sole business recommended by the Evaluation Panel to receive this grant we are extremely honored and grateful. This CRF financial support is critical for our survival. Though we have been in business for over 40 years the threat we face now is larger than our capacity to face alone. The community has spoken and has supported us financially, we have taken out government loans to stay afloat, and yet, as one of the hardest hit industries in our country, the road to recovery has only just begun.

Historically, our business has had revenues of over three million dollars a year but a profit margin of only one percent or less. We run this business to serve this community and to provide low cost, high quality entertainment every day of the year. Our business income year-to-date is down 73% compared to last year. That represents over 1.6 million dollars in lost revenue that cannot be recovered. A grant of \$150,000 is significant, and though it doesn't solve all our financial problems, it gives us a fighting chance to make it through this disrupted year.

Movie theaters are a vital part of small-town cultural life. Our operation not only provides jobs and pays back into the local economy, it is a source of joy and happy memories for everyone. The Panel has acknowledged our vital role in the health of this county's economic and cultural life. We are truly grateful for their hard work and serious assessments. We encourage you to affirm their decision that Sierra Cinemas, Inc. deserves support at this pivotal moment.

Sincerely,

Michael and Azriel LaMarca Mike and Barbara Getz

From:

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Sent:

Monday, September 21, 2020 3:31 PM

To:

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Subject:

September 22, 2020 Board Meeting, agenda item 22, SR 20-3343, Res. 20-348

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Dear Members of the Board and Staff:

I am writing in support of Agenda item 22, Res. 20-348, specifically in support of the \$100,000 grant for Sierra Community House.

I have volunteered with the Sierra Community House (formerly Truckee Family Resource Center) for nearly eight years providing pro bono legal services for its low-income clients. I know how hard the SCH staff works to serve our underserved community because I have been there and seen our staff in action. Their dedication and increased commitment in response to the pandemic prompt me to urge your approval of Sierra Community House's proposed award of \$100,000 from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) "Economic & Community Resiliency Grants" Program.

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Jan Zabriskie

From:

Jesse Locks

Sent:

Monday, September 21, 2020 11:01 AM

To:

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Miners Foundry Cultural Center

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Dear Board of Supervisors,

I'm sending a note of support for the Miners Foundry Cultural Center acknowledging the importance of the Foundry as an anchor institution of our County.

In a place where we are surrounded by relics of the past, the Miners Foundry Cultural Center stands out as one of the few continuously operating historic buildings that has served as the center for industry, cultural innovation, and community gatherings and celebrations for over 160 years. I'm not telling you anything you don't already know or haven't experienced yourself, because this is a place that each and everyone of us who have grown up or are currently living in Nevada County have visited either for a graduations, wedding, celebration of life, live concert, local government meeting, non-profit workshop, film festival or craft fair, company party and so much more! We've each known the warmth of the fire in the Stone Hall on a chilly winter's night or the incredible energy experienced when the Osborn/Woods Hall is full with friends, family and neighbors. To lose this space would be absolutely catastrophic to our community and to the hundreds of people (caterers, florists, service staff, musicians, artisans, sound and audio visual techs, etc) who make a living from events that happen at the Foundry. I have served on the Foundry's board, I have worked for the Foundry, and I have been a donor to the Foundry for over ten years. I, like you, love this building, and will do anything I can to make sure it is around for another 160 years!

Thank you so much for your commitment to saving the Foundry.

Jesse Locks Nevada City



SOUTH YUBA RIVER CITIZENS LEAGUE

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Chair, Truckee Chamber Board of Directors