

# Agenda Report

April 22, 2013

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Police Department

**SUBJECT:** ACCEPTANCE OF THE CALIFORNIA GANG REDUCTION, INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION (CalGRIP) GRANT, 2013/2014 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE FLINTRIDGE CENTER FOR RELATED GANG REDUCTION, INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION SERVICES

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301 (Existing Facilities);
2. Recognize and appropriate to the Police Department's Fiscal Year 2013 Operating Budget a grant from the State of California, Emergency Management Agency-CalGRIP in the amount of \$492,520.
3. Authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with the Flintridge Center in an amount not to exceed \$467,176 without competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter 1002(F) for contracts and professional or unique services to operate the CalGRIP grant; and,
4. Grant the proposed contract an exemption from the competitive selection process of the Competitive Bidding and Purchasing Ordinance, pursuant to Section 4.08.49(B), contracts for which the City's best interests are served.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The CalGRIP grant was introduced in 2007 by the California Emergency Management Agency to confront the increase in gang members throughout the state. CalGRIP directs funding toward local anti-gang efforts focused on intervention, suppression and prevention. Since 2007, grants totaling more than \$60 million have been awarded to support efforts to reduce gang and youth violence in California.

In November of 2010, the Pasadena Police Department and the Flintridge Center successfully applied and were awarded the CalGRIP grant in the amount of \$369,309 from the State of California Emergency Management Agency. The grant monies funded mentoring of high-risk students, personal development, apprenticeship and case management for youth and adults in Pasadena. The accomplishments of the 2010/2011 grant in reducing gang membership, decreasing school dropout levels, personal development, and increasing community mentorship, provided the opportunity for the Pasadena Police Department and the Flintridge Center to apply for the 2013/2014 CalGRIP grant.

In October of 2012, the Pasadena Police Department and the Flintridge Center collaborated on an application for the 2013/2014 CalGRIP grant project. The Flintridge Center was chosen as a potential partner based on the organization's past involvement and extensive leadership activities in Northwest Pasadena, which includes serving as the lead agency for numerous successful coalitions dedicated to improving the lives and welfare of children and families.

In November of 2012, the State of California's Emergency Management Agency notified the City that it was selected to receive 2013/2014 CalGRIP full grant funding in the amount of \$492,520. These funds are to be used exclusively to implement violence reduction and intervention programs in the city.

While Flintridge will serve as the lead agency, a number of organizations will be involved in this effort each of which will enter into Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with Flintridge and the City, including:

1. Amer-I-Can
2. Bill Moore Clinic
3. California Drug Counseling
4. Catholic Big Brothers Big Sisters
5. Friends Outside
6. International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Union Local 11
7. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
8. National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives
9. Pasadena Unified School District
10. Youth Build

Additionally, the effort will involve numerous City departments including: Police, Fire, Public Health and Human Services and Recreation.

**PROJECT OVERVIEW:**

This grant, as submitted to the 2013/2014 California Emergency Management Agency consists of the following activities:

**Mentoring:**

- After 12 months, 50% of youth will report improvements in at least two of the following areas; work and study habits; social relationships; communication; self-care.
- After 12 months, 50% of youth will have improved school attendance.

**Amer-I-Can Program:**

- 60% of participating students will report an increase in positive youth behaviors after a minimum of 5 months in the program as demonstrated by the Core Competencies and GES scales.

**Apprenticeship Preparation Program:**

- 50% of students will demonstrate improved life skills after completing required course work.
- 50% will be either accepted into a union apprenticeship program; enroll in higher education; or gain employment within one year of completing the APP.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:**

The project has been reviewed for compliance with the existing California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and is exempt per Section 15301. The proposed project is a state grant to allow services to continue in the City of Pasadena and will not result in any significant change or increase in those services.

**COUNCIL POLICY CONSIDERATION:**

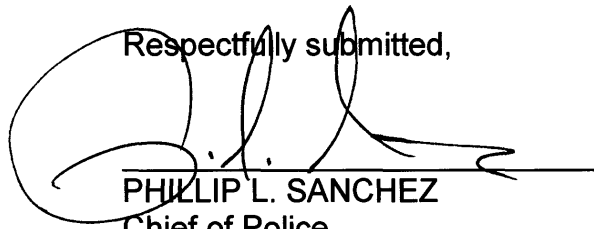
This action supports the City Council's strategic goal to ensure public safety through the design of a collaborative approach in addressing delinquency prevention and intervention of youth and young adults.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

This recommendation will increase appropriations in the Police Department's FY 2013 CalGRIP Grant Fund by \$492,520. The Police Department is the City's designated single point of contact for CalGRIP grant processing and tracking of performance objectives.

The \$467,176 cost of the contract will be completely reimbursed by the California Gang Reduction, Intervention and Prevention Grant. In addition, the City will receive \$25,344 for administrative costs.

Respectfully submitted,



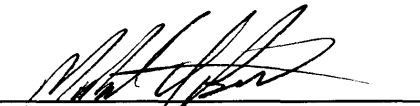
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