

# Agenda Report

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL **DATE:** SEPTEMBER 19, 2005  
**FROM:** CITY MANAGER  
**SUBJECT:** ALLOCATE \$100,000 FROM THE CHARTER CAPITAL PROJECT FUND TO THE PASADENA CHAPTER OF THE RED CROSS FOR REBUILDING HOUSING FOR VICTIMS OF HURRICANE KATRINA

## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the City Council allocate \$100,000 from the Charter Capital Project Fund to the Pasadena Chapter of the Red Cross for assisting victims of Hurricane Katrina in rebuilding their homes.

## **BACKGROUND**

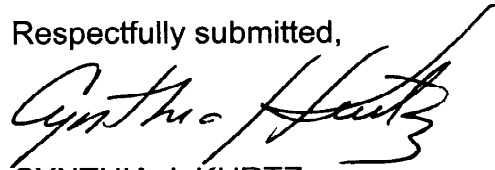
The Gulf Coast of the United States was recently hit with one of the nation's deadliest natural disasters, Hurricane Katrina. Hundreds of thousands of people have been left without their homes and have been relocated to temporary housing and shelters. As the recovery process begins, it is critical that people return to permanent housing. In Pasadena, we are intensely aware of the difficulty in finding and building homes. Staff is recommending that the City of Pasadena contribute \$100,000 to the Pasadena Chapter of the Red Cross from our Charter Capital Project Fund for securing permanent housing for the victims. By sending our money to the Pasadena Chapter, as opposed to the national chapter, we will be assured that our funds will be spent specifically for housing.

Staff is recommending that the funds come from the Charter Capital Project Fund because it's criteria is for emergency regarding acquisition, construction, replacement or repair of municipal improvements.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

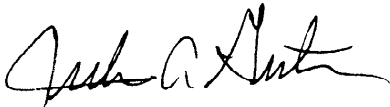
Approval of this recommendation will decrease the Charter Capital Project Fund in the amount of \$100,000. The current balance is \$9.3 million.

Respectfully submitted,



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