

MEMO

TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Don Semon, Director, Health & Human Services

DATE: March 8, 2021

SUBJECT: Veterans Commission TOT Funding

Last week, I sent your Board a memo regarding the distribution of Veteran's TOT-related funding. That memo prompted a follow-up question regarding the sub-category, "El Dorado Community Foundation (mini grants)" for \$130,739 in 19/20 and \$35,000 in 20/21. This category represents the amount of money directed by the Veterans Commission to the El Dorado Community Foundation for the purposes of managing the mini grants program. These mini grants are applied for and then approved by the Veterans Commission, before being paid by the El Dorado Community Foundation.

In January 2020 the Veterans Affairs Commission finalized their recommendations on the distribution of the FY 19/20 allotment of Transient Occupancy Tax dollars. The total amount for this year was \$265,739. Of the total allocation, the Commission recommended and the Board approved \$130,739 go towards the mini-grants, managed by the El Dorado Community Foundation.

The difference between the funds allotted to the El Dorado Community Foundation and the funds not granted to mini grants is retained in the Veterans TOT Fund at the foundation. The current balance of this fund is \$106,132.10.

To date, two rounds of the mini-grant cycle have been completed, with the details for each awardee listed below.

Round One (7/9/2020)

- o \$3,057 The Elders Community Fund
- o \$1,500 Sierra Community Access TV
- o \$3,500 EDC Fire Safe Council
- o \$1,500 Progress House
- o \$3,500 Windows to my Soul
- o \$3,500 Operation Rebound DeCelle Memorial Relay
- o \$3,500 Arts and Culture El Dorado
- \$ 3,500 Military Family Support

\$23,557

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Round two (11/12/2020)

- o \$ 648 El Dorado Post 119 American Legion
- o \$3,000 Calvary Chapel Divide Food Ministry
- o \$3,500 EDC Fire Safe Council
- o \$1,500 The Light Candle
- \$ 3,500 EDC Food Bank
- o \$3,500 Cold Spring Church
- o \$3,500 SLT Cancer League

\$19,148

Beyond providing the most recent year's mini grants information, HHSA has had the Veterans programs within its sphere of responsibility since the middle of 2018, with 2019 being the full mini-grant cycle we supported. As such, that previous year's information is being provided below, with a total of \$73,770 allocated to mini grants. The details are as follows;

Round One (7/11/2019)

- o \$3,410 EDC Fire Safe Council
- \$ 3,500 EDC Food Bank
- o \$3,500 Life Enriching Communication
- o \$3,500 Operation Rebound
- o \$3,500 SSgt Sky Mote Marine Corps League
- o \$3,500 Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless
- o \$ 3,469 The Creative Edge
- o \$1,000 The Upper Room
- o \$<u>3,500</u> Windows to my Soul

\$28,879

Round Two (12/12/2019)

- o \$3,500 Windows to my Soul
- \$ 3,500 Sierra Community Access TV
- o \$1,000 Elder Community Fund
- o \$ 3,500 Detachment 697 SSgt Sky Mote Marine Corps League
- \$ 3,500 Arts and Culture El Dorado
- o \$3,410 EDC Fire Safe Council
- o \$ 3,500 Lake Tahoe Community College

\$22,910

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