



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR MAHAN

FROM: Councilmember Peter Ortiz

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: 5-23-24

Approved:

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RECOMMENDATION

Modify the City Manager's 2024-2025 Proposed Budget to incorporate the following budget proposal, including any required funding allocation adjustments.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: **Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley – Red Earth Women’s Society MMIW Funding**

Amount of City Funding Required: **\$5,000**

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable): **N/A.**

Proposal Description, including the reason for the need and anticipated outcomes (Please describe how the proposal will affect services for San José residents, community groups, businesses, etc.):

Proclaimed in both May of 2023 and 2024 by Councilmember Peter Ortiz, there is a nationwide epidemic of violence against indigenous people, especially women and girls. For years, unsolved abductions and femicides have devastated indigenous families and communities, who then face inattention or outright stonewalling from law enforcement and federal authorities. For Native Americans, this adds one more layer of trauma upon existing wounds that cannot heal.

This funding will support the initiatives of the Red Earth Women’s Society: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW), campaign of awareness, advocacy, and action here in Santa Clara County. The Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley serves as a fiscal sponsor to the Red Earth Women’s Society and will disburse the funds appropriately.

Funding Source

Essential Services Reserve:

Other (Please specify program/project/fund):

Department or Organization Contact

Please list the contact information for the individual that certified cost estimates contained within your recommendation: **N/A.**

Name and Title:

Department or Organization:

Phone Number:

Email: