



Memorandum

TO: MAYOR MAHAN

FROM: Councilmember Pam Foley

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT

DATE: May 23, 2024

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: Community Seva

Amount of City Funding Required: \$10,000

This change is:

One-time Ongoing

Cost Estimate Number (if applicable):

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.):

Community Seva is a nonprofit organization founded in 2013 that brings together dedicated volunteers to donate their free time to aid and support for the unhoused community in the Bay Area. Community Seva leverages the unique talents of their team of over 2,900 volunteers to provide high quality services for the unhoused including cooking skills, counseling experience, nutrition and more. To date, Community Seva has served 320,000 meals, distributed 10,000 outdoor essentials kits, provided 2,000 showers, distributed 1,000 pairs of shoes, and have housed 3 families through their new safe shelter program launched in late 2023. Funding for Community Seva will allow them to continue to bring together the community to work to give food, dignity, and support to our unhoused residents.

Funding Source

- Essential Services Reserve: \$10,000
- 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:

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