

Memorandum

TO: MAYOR MAHAN **FROM:** Councilmember Pam Foley

SUBJECT: BUDGET DOCUMENT DATE: May 25, 2023

Approved Pan Yoley Date May 25, 2023

RECOMMENDATION

Modify the City Manager's 2023-2024 Proposed Budget to incorporate the following budget proposal, including any required funding allocation adjustments.

Proposal

Program/Project Title: Caminar - LGBTQ Youth Space

Amount of City Funding Required: \$10,000

This change is:

X 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.):

The LGBTQ Youth Space, a program of Caminar, has provided drop-in programs and counseling services for LGBTQ+ youth and young adults in Santa Clara County since 2008. The LGBTQ Youth Space provides resources, support, and community-building programs to ensure that LGBTQ+ youth can feel safe, affirmed, and celebrated.

Unfortunately, because of the pandemic, the LGBTQ Youth Space closed its physical facilities in Downtown San José in 2021. Having a physical presence for the LGBTQ Youth Space is critical for providing high-quality services to the nearly 400 unduplicated youth and young adults that the Youth Space welcomed prior to the pandemic. The LGBTQ Youth Space is currently working on finding a new facility but will require replacement furniture (tables, desks, chairs, shelves, etc.) to curate the welcoming and comfortable environment that the LGBTQ+ youth deserve.

70% of the LGBTQ Youth Space's program participants surveyed reported that they received increased support from their families since their involvement with the Youth Space. Over 93% of program participants surveyed reported that the Youth Space made them feel more comfortable in their gender identity and/or sexual orientation. 100% of program participants surveyed reported that they had the opportunity to connect with and/or contribute to their community through their participation in the Youth Space. Providing funding for the LGBTQ Youth Space will allow the program to continue to deliver positive outcomes for our LGBTQ+ youth and young adults.

Funding Source

■ Essential Services Reserve: \$10,000□ Other (Please specify program/project/fund):

Department or Organization Contact

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