City of Benson
City Council Communication

Regular Meeting April 10, 2017

To: Mayor and Council Agenda Item # 3

From: William Stephens, City Manager

Subject:

Discussion and possible action regarding the financial request from the San Pedro Valley Alliance Summer Programs

Discussion:

Attached is the San Pedro Valley Alliance request for funding in the amount of $3,000 to help with their 2017 summer activities.

Historically, the San Pedro Valley Alliance in conjunction with various Governor's Office programs and the City, has provided recreation activities for our youth, mainly with trips to movies, water parks, museums and other recreational facilities. In the past the City had a specific line item for the San Pedro Valley Alliance with funding available ranging from $3,000-$5,000 each year. However, in Fiscal Year 2014-2015 funding was removed from the budget.

Last year Council provided the San Pedro Valley Alliance $3,700 from the Community Enrichment budget. Currently, there is approximately $5,850 remaining in the Community Enrichment budget, under City Promotions.

Staff Recommendation:

Council pleasure

SAN PEDRO VALLEY ALLIANCE

Non Profit Group

March 30, 2017

Dear Mr. Stephens,

Thank you for all of the support the city has given the San Pedro Valley Alliance over the past 20+ years. We have provided summer programs for the city's children with the money you have given us. They have gone to see the Copper Queen Mine in Bisbee, Flandrau Planetarium, Pima Space Museum and the Childrens Museum in Tucson. They have also been able to have fun times at Breakers, Golf and Stuff, Jump Time and Funtastics and the Cove in Sierra Vista and had many other fun opportunities because of your support.

We know that because the city has contributed to these opportunities we have been able to affect the learning and joy of hundreds of children. Many of these children would not have had these opportunities without your help.

Last year, thanks to you and the funding we awarded we were able to carry on the tradition and take children of all ages on numerous summer activities. We had hoped for at least $3000 dollars which would help the alliance to have another successful summer program but would be grateful for whatever the city could see fit to contribute to the program.

The Benson School District has given us their full support of this summer's activities providing drivers and buses for the events as well as receiving parental calls at the District Office. Several of the teachers and paraprofessionals at the school have volunteered to chaperone the trips. We hope you will be able to help us with any monies that you feel you could contribute.

Vicki Vivian has a copy of this year's tentative program if you would like to see it.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Thomas 686-1994, Coordinator

Nona Hansen 686-2202

Candace Nuernberger

Candace Rogers

Betty Williamson Retired

Coordinator Emeritus

San Pedro Valley Alliance

Summer Field Trips

Sponsored by Benson Schools **and** City of Benson

Date	Activity	Time	Fee	Grades Allowed
Thursday-June 15th	**Skate Country**	**12-5**	**$5 +**	**5th -10th**
Skate Rental and 3 hours of Skating –Snack bar Available				
Tuesday-June 20	**Air Time (Trampolines)**	**9-2**	**$15 +**	**5th-12th**
Must Pre sign waiver –online or paper copy –Nonskid Socks required -Lunch on own (Costco and burgers in same parking lot) -2 hours of inside Trampolines and dodge ball				
Thursday–June 22	**Breakers Water Park**	**8:45-4:00**	**$15 +**	**5th -12th**
4 hours at Water Park, Tubes extra –Lunch on Own at Concession Stands (can't bring in food –Water bottle only) Sunscreen, shoes, towel –MUST Know How TO SWIM!				
Tuesday- June 27	**Reid Park Zoo**	**9-2**	**$10**	**1st- 8th**
Admission and Happy meal at McDonalds				
Thursday-June 29	**Golf N Stuff**	**8:45-2:30**	**$15 +**	**5th-10th**
2 ½ hours of Golf, Indy Cars, Bumper Boats and a Laser Tag; Games and Lunch on own at Pizza Joint				
July 4th City of Benson Activities				
Tuesday- July 11	**Movie PG Rated (TBA)**	**11-4**	**$6**	**4th-10th**
Snacks or Lunch on Own (at food court)				
Thursday-July 13	**Children's Museum**	**9-3 pm**	**$10**	**1st -6th**
Admission and lunch at Chuck E Cheese –games Extra				
Tuesday-July 18	**Get Air (trampolines)**	**11:30-3:45**	**$15**	**5th -12th**
2 hours of trampolines inside –MUST pre sign their WAVIER –online –must be 46" tall Nonskid Socks required –Bring your Own Snacks				

Vanessa in Benson Middle School will collect money to save your seat, 720-6802.