



AGENDA REPORT

Library and Community Services

DATE:	September 12, 2023
TO:	Mayor Martinez and Members of the City Council
FROM:	LaShonda White, Deputy City Manager, Community Services Kate Eppler, Deputy Director of Community Services – Library Abigail Sims-Evelyn, Literacy Program Manager
Subject:	California State Library English as a Second Language Services Project Grant Award
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	Accept and appropriate the California State Library grant award of \$69,602 for English as a Second Language services.
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	Not applicable.
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	The Richmond Public Library has been awarded a \$69,602 grant from the California State Library to support English as a Second Language educational services offered at the Library’s literacy services program, Literacy for Every Adult Program (LEAP).
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	ADOPT a resolution to ACCEPT and APPROPRIATE into the Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget a California State Library grant, in the amount of \$69,602, to support English as a Second Language educational services offered at the Library’s literacy services program, Literacy for Every Adult Program (LEAP) – Community Services Department (Kate Eppler 510-620-5452/Abigail Sims-Evelyn 510-307-8082).

DISCUSSION:

On July 12, 2023, the Library's Literacy for Every Adult Program (LEAP) received a \$69,602 grant from the California Library Literacy Service Program to support LEAP's English as a Second Language (ESL) program. This grant will cover services from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. LEAP staff is strongly encouraged to develop and maintain community partners to strengthen the ESL program, attend regular regional library literacy network meetings, participate in local Adult Education Consortium, and participate in literacy training opportunities offered by the State Library.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

- Attachment 1 – Grant Award Letter English As a Second Language Program
- Attachment 2 – Grant Award Agreement and Certificate of Compliance
- Attachment 3 – Grant Award Package
- Attachment 4 – Resolution CLLS