

July 12, 2023

LaShonda White, Deputy City Manager Richmond Public Library 440 Civic Center Plaza Richmond, CA 94804

Dear Ms. LaShonda White, Deputy City Manager,

We're pleased to provide funds to support your English as a Second Language program and the important work that you, your staff, and your volunteers do for your community through the California Library Literacy Services program.

In 2021-2022, the state budget included one-time California Library Literacy Services funding at \$15 million for English as Second Language Services. These funds will be allocated over a five-year period. This award letter covers Year 3 of funding between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024.

Your total award for the 2023-2024 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, is:

Total Award: \$69,602

Your funds must be fully expended by June 30, 2024, in accordance with your approved budget on file with the State Library. The budget listed in your award packet indicates your original grant request. Your library may have to submit a new budget for review and approval to reflect your 2023-2024 English as a Second Language Services award.

To ensure that program expenditures are consistent with the California Library Literacy Services allowable expenses, please review the <u>California Library Literacy Services Allowable and Unallowable Expenses</u> guidelines. If you have any questions about expenses or expending your award funds, please contact Allyson Jeffredo at <u>Allyson.Jeffredo@library.ca.gov</u>.

We strongly encourage your program staff to develop and maintain community partners to strengthen your program, attend regular regional library literacy network meetings, participate in your local Adult Education Consortium, and participate in library literacy training opportunities offered by the regional networks and the State Library to meet the <a href="CLLS Mission">CLLS Mission</a>, Values, and Program



<u>Essentials</u>. Additional California Library Literacy Services resources can also be found on the <u>California Library Literacy Services webpage</u>.

The payment process begins when we receive your completed and signed budget modification form (if needed), claim form, certification form, and State Funded Grants Award Agreement and Certificate of Compliance (attached). All forms should be completed and signed through DocuSign to be processed for payment.

Our library literacy staff is available to assist you throughout the year. Please contact your Advisor Beverly Schwartzberg,

<u>beverly.schwartzberg@library.ca.gov</u>, and your Grant Monitor Allyson Jeffredo, <u>Allyson.Jeffredo@library.ca.gov</u>, with any questions.

Thank you for your willingness to do so much for those in your community. Best wishes for a successful year.

Respectfully yours,

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Enc: Re: ESL21-3-36: Claim form, certification form, and State Funded Grants Award Agreement and Certificate of Compliance