



AGENDA REPORT

Department

DATE:	July 1, 2025
TO:	Mayor Martinez and Members of the City Council
FROM:	Patrick Seals, Administrative Chief Nicholas Delgado, Associate Management Analyst
SUBJECT:	ECIA Grant Award Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2025-26 (Category 1, 2 & 4)
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	A total of \$750,000 is allocated for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 grant cycle (Account String: 11771018-400201 2A111)
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	December 17, 2024
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	On July 29, 2014, the City and Chevron Products Company entered into the initial Chevron Modernization Project Environmental and Community Investment Agreement (ECIA). Under the ECIA, a competitive grant program was established to fund community programs focused on community, youth, and youth sports. Staff is bringing forth a subsequent funding recommendation from the ECIA Grant Review Committee for the FY 2025-2026 Richmond ECIA Community Grant Program for final review and approval by the City Council.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	APPROVE a recommendation from the Environmental & Community Investment Agreement (ECIA) Grant Review Committee for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 grant awards to 28 organizations in an amount not to exceed \$750,000; ADOPT a resolution and AUTHORIZE the City Manager to negotiate and execute Grant Service Agreements with approved grantees – City Manager’s Office (Patrick Seals/Nicholas Delgado 620-6512).

DISCUSSION:

Background

The ECIA provides \$90 million in revenue to Richmond over a 10-year period. From this total, \$6 million is allocated to fund the competitive grant program.

The FY 2025-2026 grant cycle is allocated in the following ways:

	<u>Grant Award Options</u>	<u>Eligibility</u>	<u>Award Decision Made By</u>	<u>Award Range</u>	<u>Total Award Amount</u>
1	Competitive Grant Awards (Relevant for this Staff Report)	Non-profit organizations reporting gross receipts of <u>equal to or less</u> than \$50,000 annually (990N)	City Council (Recommendations made by ECIA Review Committee)	\$5,000 - \$50,000	\$500,000
2	Competitive Grant Awards (Relevant for this Staff Report)	Non-profit organizations reporting gross receipts of <u>more</u> than \$50,000 annually (990/Audited Financials)	City Council (Recommendations made by ECIA Review Committee)		
3	City Council Approved Awards	Organizations that applied for the ECIA Grant (categories 1 and 2) but where not recommended for funding	City Council	Amounts based on Council discretion	\$ 50,000
4	Community Services Mini-Grant Awards	Non-profit organizations with 501(c)(3) tax status with programming connected to the Community Services Department	Community Services Department	Up to \$5,000	\$ 150,000
	TOTAL				\$750,000

On December 17, 2024, the City Council approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 Environmental and Community Investment Agreement (ECIA) competitive grant program annual allocation of \$750,000 and authorized the release of the Request for Application and Guidelines (Attachment 1).

Outreach and Technical Support

Information about the FY 2025-2026 ECIA grant cycle was posted to the City's website, presented in the City Manager's Weekly Report, and emailed through various listservs to inform as many organizations as possible of the ECIA grant.

Also, City staff members hosted two (2) workshops that focused on completing the ECIA grant application. All grant-related materials and video-recorded training sessions were posted on the City's ECIA grant webpage.

Evaluation Process

The ECIA grant application was released on January 2, 2025, and applications were due on February 9, 2025. A total of 75 grant applications were received of which 73 eligible applications were submitted to the ECIA Grant Review Committee (Committee) for evaluation and scoring in April 2025.

- Total Points Available: 110 Points
 - Program/Project Description and Concept (Total 40 points)
 - Impact and Goals (Total 40 points)
 - Financial Viability (Total 20 points)
 - Richmond-based (10 extra points)

Committee members submitted their scores and evaluations to City staff members in May 2025. City staff members totaled and averaged the scores for each application and generated rankings (a ranking of 1 denoting the highest average score overall, a ranking of 2 denoting the second highest average score overall, etc.).

FY 2024-2025 ECIA Grant Award Recommendations

The Committee is recommending that the following 28 organizations receive a total of \$691,224 in funding at the "ECIA Committee Recommendation" level for the FY 2025-2026 grant cycle for Category 1 (\$230,000) Category 2 (\$301,224) and Category 4 (\$160,000).

<u>Category 1 (990N) Recommendations</u> <u>Organizations with gross receipts less than \$50,000</u>			
<u>Organization Name</u>	<u>Project Titles</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>	<u>ECIA Committee Recommendation</u>
Hurlbut Benevolent Foundation	Youth Nutrition Assistance Program	\$30,000	\$30,000
Atchison Village Football Club	After School Soccer Club	\$50,000	\$50,000
Got Goals Inc!	Youth Leadership and Career Readiness Program	\$50,000	\$50,000
Just Imagine Kidz	Nia Academy	\$50,000	\$50,000
P.U.R.E Youth Group	Youth Voice Matters	\$50,000	\$50,000
	TOTAL	\$230,000	\$230,000

<u>Category 2 (990) Recommendations</u> <u>Organizations with gross receipts greater than \$50,000</u>			
<u>Organization Name</u>	<u>Project Titles</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>	<u>ECIA Committee Recommendation</u>
Easter Hill United Methodist Church	Freedom School	\$46,000	\$46,000
Early Childhood Mental Health Program*	Circle of Care	\$50,000	\$50,000
Children's Art Studio Richmond	Children's Art Studio	\$15,224	\$15,244
West Contra Costa Public Education Fund*	Long Term English Learner (LTEL) Student Support Program	\$50,000	\$50,000
Richmond United Soccer Club	Soccer Safety	\$50,000	\$50,000
Shooting Stars Foundation	Financial Literacy Camp	\$40,000	\$40,000
New Life Movement	Designer of the Year	\$50,000	\$50,000
	TOTAL	\$301,224	\$301,224

Category 4 Recommendations			
<u>Mini Grant recipients</u>			
<u>Organization Name</u>	<u>Project Titles</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>	<u>ECIA Committee Recommendation</u>
Black Girls Mental Health Foundation	BIRTH Network	\$10,000	\$10,000
Keyz 2 the Future	Be Smart Health and Wellness	\$10,000	\$10,000
New Life Movement	Downtown Youth Resource Consortium	\$10,000	\$10,000
Headwaters Science Institute	STEM Field Days	\$10,000	\$10,000
Bad Business Model Bikes	Bike Education	\$10,000	\$10,000
Rosie's Service Corp Leaders	Youth Leaders Holiday Event	\$10,000	\$10,000
Bay Area Creative	Igniting Creativity and Confidence	\$10,000	\$10,000
Richmond United Soccer Club	Soccer Field Usage	\$10,000	\$10,000
Motivated 2 Help Others	Game Changers STEM Program	\$10,000	\$10,000
American Youth Soccer Organization	AYSO PLAY!	\$10,000	\$10,000
Rob Skate Academy	Rob Skate Afterschool Program	\$10,000	\$10,000
T-Bone Bucket Boyz	Bucket Boyz Girlz Basketball	\$10,000	\$10,000
Bay Area Community Resources	Discovering the Reality of Our Community	\$10,000	\$10,000
San Pablo Cowboys Football	San Pablo Cowboys	\$10,000	\$10,000
Community Violence Solutions	Youth Violence Prevention	\$10,000	\$10,000
Got Goals!	Parent Retreats and Education	\$10,000	\$10,000
	TOTAL	\$160,000	\$160,000

**Organizations who reported annual budgets over \$750,000 (per last completed 990s or audited financials).*

Next Steps

After approval of the grant award recommendations by City Council, City staff members will enter into grant agreements with awardees. City staff members will manage the contract processes which include, but are not limited to, entering into contracts with grantees, contract administration, serving as a point of contact for all grantees, conducting site visits, reviewing progress reports, and reviewing and approving invoices.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Attachment 1 – FY 2025-2026 ECIA Grant Application

Attachment 2 – FY 2025-2026 ECIA Grant Guidelines

Attachment 3 – FY 2025-2026 ECIA Grant Program Evaluation Matrix and Ranking
(Category 1, 990N; Category 2, 990; Category 4, Mini Grants)

Attachment 4 – Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to enter into Grant Service Agreements with the FY 2025-2026 ECIA Grant Awardees