

AGENDA Library and Community Service REPORT

DATE:	April 5, 2022
TO:	Mayor Butt and Members of the City Council
FROM:	LaShonda White, Interim Director of Library and Community Services Melinda Cervantes, Deputy Director of Community Services – Library
Subject:	Accept and Appropriate California State Library NASA@MyLibrary CopyCat Grant Award
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	Project expenditures will be funded by the California State Library grant funds. There will be no net additional expense to the General Fund.
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	Click or tap here to enter text.
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	The Richmond Public Library has been awarded a \$3,550 grant from the California State Library for the purchase of NASA@MyLibrary kit materials for Children's Services.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	ADOPT a resolution to ACCEPT and APPROPRIATE into the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget a California State Library grant, in the amount of \$3,550, for the purchase of NASA@MyLibrary program kit materials – Library and Community Services Department (LaShonda White/Melinda Cervantes 510-620-5452)

DISCUSSION:

The Richmond Public Library applied for and was awarded a grant for \$3,550 from the California State Library's Library Services and Technical Assistance (LSTA) grant program. The grant award is for the creation of NASA@MyLibrary library program kits to expand Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) programming for children.

With these funds, the Richmond Public Library's Children's Services division will procure materials for and create two NASA@MyLibrary program kits to enable participation in the NASA@MyLibrary program. These kits will provide additional opportunities for library STEM programming.

The approved FY 2021-2022 budget did not anticipate funding for the NASA@MyLibrary program. These grant funds will allow the library to expand STEM programming for children without requiring the diversion of programming funds from other initiatives.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Attachment 1 – Resolution to Amend FY 2021-2022 Library Budget

Attachment 2 – California State Library award letter