

Community Funding Requests

RECOMMENDED BUDGET • FY 2018 - 19

MISSION

This budget unit contains requests from local organizations for financial assistance. The budget is prepared by the Chief Administrative Office.

SUMMARY OF REQUESTS

	Amount Requested	Type of Organization
Placerville Downtown Association	\$5,000	Non-Profit

FY 2018-19 REQUEST

One request for funding has been received for FY 2018-19.

Placerville Downtown Association, Festival of Lights - \$5,000

Each year in November, the Placerville Downtown Association hosts the Festival of Lights in downtown Placerville. The cost to the Downtown Association for hanging, removal, maintenance, and storage of the current decorations each year is \$5,000. The Placerville Downtown Association indicates that it would like to put money raised by the Association toward the purchase of new decorations for this event.

RECOMMENDED BUDGET

El Dorado County has provided varying levels of funding for a variety of community organizations in the past. In prior years, this funding was awarded through a “mini-grant” process, wherein organizations meeting certain criteria could apply. Applicants were evaluated and awarded funding provided through Economic Development. No requests for funding were granted in FY 2016-17. During the Budget discussions for FY 2017-18, \$50,000 was allocated for Community Funding Requests, and a process was later approved to receive these requests, allow for Board review, and to consider providing funding.

Requests are for one-time funding allocations for cultural and community events or efforts that benefit residents. Some requests may have an economic development or promotions-related impact; however, it is not required for consideration. Funds may be allocated to projects or events at the time of Budget adoption, or throughout the year by request of any Board member. The maximum amount for an individual request is \$5,000, and funds may be provided to private non-profit, public organizations, or community-based associations without formal non-profit status. These requests are funded with General Fund discretionary funds that are set aside in the General Fund – Other County Operations budget.

The Board of Supervisors may choose to adjust the appropriation for FY 2018-19 based on available budget resources.

The Chief Administrative Office does not make recommendations for funding in this budget unit, as these funding decisions are made solely at the discretion of the Board.

