

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Parks and Recreation

BOARD AGENDA # *B-3

Urgent

Routine

AGENDA DATE April 1, 2008

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

(Information Attached)

SUBJECT:

Approval to Accept a Grant from the United Way of Stanislaus County to Install Two Horseshoe Pits at the United Community Center and Park in Grayson

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Accept a grant from the United Way of Stanislaus County to install two horseshoe pits at the United Community Center and Park in Grayson.
2. Authorize the installation of two horseshoe pits at the United Community Center and Park.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This grant from the United Way of Stanislaus County would provide \$497.40 to the Department of Parks and Recreation for the expenses associated with the installation of two horseshoe pits at the United Community Center and Park. The grant funds will specifically cover the cost of materials.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2008-236

On motion of Supervisor Grover, Seconded by Supervisor DeMartini

and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Grover, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Mayfield

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None


1) Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

DISCUSSION:

The United Community Center Advisory Board representing the community and the United Community Center and Park approached the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) last year regarding the need for assistance in completing a grant application to install two (2) horseshoe pits at the facility. The grant has been awarded and this new park amenity will support the preservation of the sport of horseshoeing through instruction, games and tournaments. The United Community Center and Park is located at 8900 Laird Street in the unincorporated town of Grayson.

Through its Building Strong Neighborhood Impact Council Mini Grant Program, the United Way of Stanislaus County offers small grants, up to \$500, to develop and sustain strong healthy neighborhoods. The mission of the grant program is to assist neighborhoods' and resident's capacities to develop and sustain healthy neighborhoods.

The United Community Center Advisory Board was the organization that applied for the grant. The application came from the group with input from the Department as to how to organize and request the funding. On January 24, 2008, the United Community Center Advisory Board and the Department of Parks and Recreation were notified by the United Way that the grant application had been awarded funding (Exhibit A).

This project benefits the community by providing an additional recreational amenity that allows families from the local neighborhoods to interact and exchange life experiences while having fun. This grant-funded recreational opportunity will bring together residents from Grayson, Westley and Vernalis with the goal of completing a neighborhood project while continuing to promote community pride and partnerships through the United Community Center and Park.

The United Community Center and Park is a County facility and as such, the Department of Parks and Recreation and its staff will be present to oversee the entire project. Community volunteers will assist with preparing the grounds and building the backstops under direction by County staff. There will also be a group of residents providing light refreshments during the installation process. The horseshoe pits are planned to be located at the east end of the park (Exhibit B).

The installation of the two (2) horseshoe pits is scheduled for completion during the project performance period of February 1, 2008 and no later than June 30, 2008.

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POLICY ISSUE:

The Board of Supervisors should determine if accepting these grant funds is consistent with the Board's priorities of ensuring a well-planned infrastructure system and striving for effective partnerships.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There are no staffing impacts associated with this request.

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Strong Neighborhoods



United Way Building Strong Neighborhoods

January 24, 2008

Lilia Lomeli-Gil
United Community Advisory Board
8900 Laird St.
Grayson, CA 95363

Dear Lilia,

The United Way of Stanislaus County Board of Directors is pleased to announce that United Community Advisory Board's Building Strong Neighborhoods mini-grant application has been approved for full funding of \$500 for the United Community Advisory Board horseshoe pits project.

- **Program Period:** February 1, 2008 – June 30, 2008
- **Cost Reimbursement:** Please submit receipts. If you need advance funds, send a list of how you will spend the funds and submit the receipts/or statements by the end of the project.

If you have questions regarding your award, please contact me at 523-4562.

Sincerely,

Michelle Petrou and Estrella Garcia
United Way of Stanislaus

cc: United Way Accounts Payable
Stanislaus County Parks & Recreation

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United Community Center and Park—Horseshoe Pit Project



Exhibit B