



**Sacramento
Housing &
Redevelopment
Agency**

**REPORT TO
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

City of Sacramento

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CONSENT

March 7, 2006

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Subject: Allocation of Tax Increment Funds from Various Areas to the 2006
Workreation Program

Location/Council District: City Council Districts 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6

Recommendation:

Staff recommends adoption of the attached resolution which authorizes the Executive Director or her designee to amend the Agency budget to transfer \$27,000 of tax increment funds from each of the following redevelopment areas: Franklin Boulevard, Alkali Flat, Army Depot and North Sacramento for a total of \$108,000 to the 2006 Workreation Program; and to enter into an agreement with the City of Sacramento Department of Parks and Recreation to administer the program.

Contact:

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Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency

Summary:

Since 1981 the Workreation Program, sponsored by the City of Sacramento and the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA), has provided summer youth employment, skill development, and recreational opportunities for economically challenged teenagers (between the ages of 14 and 17).

The Workreation program has historically been nearly entirely funded through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Due to recent cuts to CDBG in the federal budget, staff is pursuing tax increment dollars to partially fund the program. There are three crews currently funded with CDBG: one each in Meadowview,

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Strawberry Manor, and Phoenix Park, which is a decrease from the 6 crews traditionally funded with this funding source. These three neighborhoods are not redevelopment areas and, as a result, have no other resources available to fund their Workreation crew. Four crews being recommended for tax increment funding in this report are for the North Sacramento, Alkali Flat, Army Depot and Franklin Boulevard redevelopment areas. Three other teen crews to be funded with Oak Park, and Del Paso Heights (2 crews) tax increment are being approved or have been approved in separate staff reports (please refer to the summary table in the 'Background' section of the report).

Committee/Commission Actions:

At its meeting on January 19, 2006, the North Sacramento Redevelopment Advisory Committee adopted a motion recommending approval of the attached resolution.

At its meeting on February 2, 2006, the Alkali Flat Project Area Committee adopted a motion recommending approval of the attached resolution.

In the absence of a Franklin Boulevard Redevelopment Advisory Committee, staff presented this recommendation to the Franklin Boulevard Business Association, on January 10, 2006. They were very supportive of the Workreation Program and the transfer of funds to support the crew. The Army Depot Redevelopment Advisory Committee will be meeting to discuss this item at its February 16, 2006 meeting. We will inform you of the outcome of this action.

At its meeting on February 15, 2006, the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Commission adopted a motion recommending approval of the attached resolution. The votes were as follows:

AYES: Burns, Coriano, Fowler, Gore, Hoag, Piatkowski, Shah, Simon, Stivers.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Burruss, Gale.

Background Information:

Since 1981, the Workreation Program, sponsored by the City of Sacramento and the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA), has provided summer youth employment, skill development, and recreational opportunities for economically challenged teenagers between the ages of 14 to 17. The Workreation program has historically been nearly entirely funded through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

Due to recent cuts to the federal budget, CDBG can only provide funds for three crews. Due to the long history of good work provided in the redevelopment area by the Workreation crews, and the positive impact the program has on youth in the area, staff is pursuing tax increment funds for the remaining seven crews. Four of the seven crews are recommended for funding in this report and the remaining three crews to work in the Del Paso Heights (two crews) and Oak Park areas will be/have been funded through

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separate staff reports. The following table summarizes the location and funding source for the 10 Workreation crews.

Workreation Area	Funding Source	Status
Franklin Boulevard	Tax increment	Current funding request
Alkali Flat	Tax increment	Current funding request
North Sacramento	Tax increment	Current funding request
Army Depot	Tax increment	Current funding request
Phoenix Park	CDBG	Funded
Meadowview	CDBG	Funded
Strawberry Manor	CDBG	Funded
Del Paso Heights (two crews)	Tax increment	Funded
Oak Park	Tax increment	Funded

There are three major components to the Workreation program:

Recruitment/Hiring

Program participants are recruited through area junior high and high schools, community centers, teen programs, public housing developments, job fairs and community groups including local Redevelopment Area Committees (RAC's), neighborhood associations, community-based organizations, and non-governmental organizations. Only youth between 14 to 17 years of age are eligible for the program.

Work Experience

Each crew has eight youth assigned to one leader and they work five days a week (from June to August). The youth learn work related skills such as graffiti abatement, litter removal, park maintenance, painting and weeds abatement.

Life skills/Leadership/Vocational Training Education

In addition to general work, the program provides a range of structured social, educational and cultural enrichment activities to provide the youth with a well-rounded experience.

For example, all youth go through a week long training program that includes:

- Comprehending City policies/procedures and the safe use of tools.
- Team building and leadership development through recreation activities such as white water rafting, ropes course, and enjoying the local Aquatic Center.
- Resume writing, mini field trips to One Stop Career Centers, the Social Security Office, and the Department of Motor Vehicles.
- Life skills workshops which address issues such as domestic violence and college preparation.

Financial Considerations:

This report recommends allocating \$27,000 of tax increment funds from each of the following redevelopment areas: Franklin Boulevard, Alkali Flat, Army Depot and North Sacramento for a total of \$108,000 to the City of Sacramento Workreation Program. Tax increment dollars will replace CDBG funds that were eliminated due to federal cutbacks

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and will allow the Workrecreation program to continue to provide its positive efforts on youth in our targeted areas.

Environmental Considerations:

The proposed action to fund a public service activity is exempt from environmental review as per CEQA per Guidelines Section 15378 (a). NEPA does not apply.

Policy Considerations:

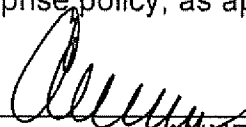
Actions recommended in this report are consistent with previously approved policies and support adopted redevelopment area plans.

M/WBE Considerations:

Minority and Women's Business Enterprise requirements will be applied to all activities to the extent required by federal funding.

SBE Considerations:

The Agency will comply with current Small Business Enterprise policy, as applicable.

Respectfully Submitted by: 
ANNE M. MOORE
Executive Director

Recommendation Approved:

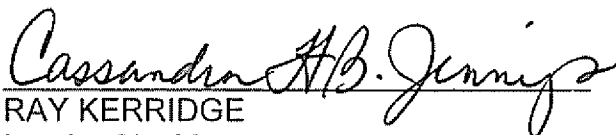

RAY KERRIDGE
Interim City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO. 2006 -

Adopted by the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Sacramento

ON DATE OF

AMENDMENT OF AGENCY BUDGET; TRANSFER OF \$108,000 IN TAX INCREMENT FUNDS FOR 2006 WORKREATION PROGRAM FROM FRANKLIN BOULEVARD, ALKALI FLAT, ARMY DEPOT AND NORTH SACRAMENTO REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREAS; RELATED AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF SACRAMENTO

BACKGROUND

- A. Since 1981 the Workreation Program conducted by the City of Sacramento has provided summer youth employment, skill development, and recreational opportunities for youth in economically depressed areas.
- B. In the past the Workreation Program was funded with Community Development Block Grant Program funds and due to federal funding cutbacks, there is insufficient funding to continue the Workreation Program within the Alkali Flat, Army Depot, Franklin Boulevard and North Sacramento Redevelopment Project Areas.
- C. The Workreation Program will benefit the Alkali Flat, Franklin Boulevard, Army Depot, and North Sacramento Redevelopment Project Areas and is consistent with the activities approved in the 2005-2009 Implementation Plans for these Project Areas.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF SACRAMENTO RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. After due consideration of the facts presented, the findings, including the environmental findings regarding this action, as stated in the staff report, are approved.
- Section 2. The Executive Director, or her designee is authorized to amend the Agency Budget to transfer \$27,000 in tax increment funds from each of the following redevelopment project areas for the 2006 Workreation Program: Alkali Flat, Franklin Boulevard, Army Depot and North Sacramento.
- Section 3. The Executive Director or her designee is hereby authorized to enter into an Individual Project Agreement with the City of Sacramento Department of

Parks and Recreation to conduct the Workreation Program in the Alkali Flat, Franklin Boulevard, Army Depot and North Sacramento Redevelopment Project Areas in 2006 for an amount not to exceed One Hundred Eight Thousand Dollars (\$108,000).

