



# City of Maricopa

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### **TITLE**

The Mayor and City Council shall hear and possibly take action to approve a grant application to Arizona State Library grant program in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for a homebound library service for persons with special needs and to authorize the City Manager to sign all documents necessary to complete the application. Discussion and Action.

### **..AGENDA ITEM DESCRIPTION**

The Arizona State Library has opened its application period for the LSTA grants. The purpose of the program is to strengthen the role libraries play in communities by positioning them as innovative and forward-looking community anchors with potential to address diverse community needs, including human services, employment, economic development, and civic engagement.

Applications should only request funding for programs and services which benefit the general public. The projects need to address the LSTA priority areas:

1. Community grants: Community projects position libraries as forward-looking community anchors that address diverse needs, including human services, employment, economic development, and civic engagement.
2. Learning Grants: Learning projects place the learner at the center of any initiative, and support lifelong learning and literacy, to assist Arizonans to fully participate in their local communities and the global society.
3. Collections Grants: Collections projects support exemplary stewardship of library collections in a variety of formats; as well as facilitate access to, discovery of, and use of those collections.

Maricopa Public Library would like to provide services to the homebound population of Maricopa and the surrounding communities of Hidden Valley and Stanfield to access library materials and services in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. The funds will provide a vehicle including fuel and ongoing maintenance and salary for a temporary part-time one-year position. The part-time position (<20 hours/week) will be utilized to develop and implement the homebound delivery program while training volunteers to take over the Homebound Delivery program in future years to help with the sustainability of the program.

This item will be presented by Kristie Riester, Community Services Director and TJ Hansell, Grants Coordinator.

### **..STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends the Mayor and City Council approve a grant application to the Arizona State Library LSTA grants in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for a homebound library service for persons with special needs. Consent to submit an application will also authorize the City Manager to sign all documents necessary to complete the application.

