



City of Maricopa

Legislation Text

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A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona, supporting the submission of a grant application to the Ak Chin Indian Community for funding Boys & Girls Clubs of the Casa Grande Valley and agreeing to act as the designated fiscal agent of such funding. Discussion and Action.

The City of Maricopa Mayor and City Council shall discuss and potentially sign a resolution agreeing to be the Fiscal Agent for Boys & Girls Clubs of the Casa Grande Valley to obtain 12% Grant Program from the Ak Chin Indian Community if awarded funding.

In 2002, Arizona tribes and the Governor concluded negotiations of a new standard form Tribal/State Gaming Compact ("Compact"), which was subsequently approved by the Arizona voters. In Section 12 of the Compact, each tribe agreed to contribute a portion of its gaming revenues in exchange for substantial exclusivity covenants by the State. Tribes must deposit 88% of this contributed revenue into the Arizona Benefits Fund. By law, the State must use this contributed revenue to support education, healthcare, and other programs that benefit Arizona residents. A tribe may elect to distribute the remaining 12% (the 12% Contribution") directly to the cities, towns and counties of its choosing.

For 2020, the Ak Chin Indian Community ("Community") has elected to award its 12% Contribution directly through its 12% Grant Program. Through the 12% Grant Program, the Community accepts applications from cities, towns, counties, and other organizations seeking funding to support services that benefit the general public. The Community looks forward to supporting the Arizona community with grants made through the 12% Grant Program.

Proposals must address one or more of the following priority areas:

- 1) Economic Development
- 2) Education
- 3) Healthcare and Health Services
- 4) Public Safety
- 5) Transportation

The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Casa Grande Valley is requesting funds to provide a Club in Maricopa. This Club would provide young people in Maricopa (and the surrounding areas) a safe, fun and educational place to go when they are not in school by offering an after-school program during the school year and day programs during school breaks.

City staff recommends that Council approve the Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona supporting the submission of a grant application to the Ak Chin Indian Community for funding Boys & Girls Clubs of the Casa Grande Valley and agree to act as the designated fiscal agent of such funding.