



# 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 Ak-Chin Indian Community for funding Maricopa Ak-Chin CAASA for a youth mentorship program and agreeing to act as the designated fiscal agent for such funding. Discussion and Action.

The City of Maricopa Mayor and City Council passed a grants acquisition and administration policy providing guidelines for the City of Maricopa to consider sponsorship of an application to the State Shared Revenue Programs and is detailed as follows.

Agency guidelines for the City of Maricopa to act as the Fiscal Agent:

- i. Agency is a non-profit and /or proof of tax exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code section 501 (c) 3 or similar provision.
- ii. The agency must provide an explanation how their proposal aligns with the City of Maricopa Strategic Plan Elements
- iii. There must be a benefit to the City of Maricopa community.

On June 5, 2015 the Ak-Chin Tribal Council approved the RFP to accept grant applications. For 2015, the Ak-Chin Indian Community has elected to award its 12% contributions directly through the 12% grant program. Through the 12% grant program the community accepts applications from cities, towns and counties and other organizations seeking funding to support services that benefit the general public.

Applications should only request funding for programs and service which benefit the general public. Within the broad spectrum of services and programs that serve the general public in 2015 the Community is only accepting applications from programs that are/serve the following areas of need.

1. Animal Shelters/Services for abused, abandoned or neglected animals
2. Food Banks/ Programs providing food to needy families
3. Health Care and Health Services
4. Schools/ School Districts/ Universities
5. Programs providing services with persons with special needs
6. Youth Shelters

Maricopa Ak-Chin CAASA respectfully requests that the City of Maricopa act as the fiscal agent for distribution of funds through the Ak-Chin state shared revenue program. CAASA intends to apply for funding to continue and expand the Mentorship program which partners deserving students with a positive, caring, and trained

adult mentor. These positive relationships work to help prevent substance abuse and increase grades. This program aligns with the City of Maricopa's strategic plan through: The proposed project best aligns with the objective on page 8 "create and expand the opportunities that Maricopa residents have to participate in quality indoor and outdoor recreation." CAASA's space, the school fields and gyms will allow for mentors to provide quality indoor and outdoor recreation, tutoring and role modeling for the participating youth mentees. The amount of the application will not exceed \$50,000.

This item will be presented by Mary Witkofski, Community Programs Manager

Staff recommends the Mayor and City Council approve a Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Maricopa, Arizona supporting the submission of a grant application to Ak-Chin Indian Community for funding Maricopa Ak-Chin CAASA for a youth mentorship program and agreeing to act as the designated fiscal agent for such funding.