



# AGENDA REPORT

**Department:** Library and Community Services  
**Prepared by:** Joyce Ryan, Library & Community Services Director  
**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, September 6, 2022  
**Approved by:** Brad Raulston, City Manager

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**SUBJECT:**

Age-Friendly Communities Grant Acceptance and Agreement

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a Resolution entitled, "Resolution of the City Council of the City of National City, California 1) Ratifying the execution of the Age-Friendly Communities Grant Agreement by the City Manager, an Agreement between the City of National City and The San Diego Foundation in the amount of \$40,000 for Senior Socials; and 2) Authorize the establishment of a Citywide Grant Fund appropriation of \$40,000 and corresponding revenue budget."

**BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE PRIOR ACTION:**

Not Applicable.

**EXPLANATION:**

The City of National City launched the Age-Friendly National City Project in 2019 through AARP's Livable Communities Initiative, supporting the San Diego Foundation Age-Friendly Communities Program. This initiative is an affiliate of the World Health Organization's (WHO) Global Network of the Age-Friendly States and Communities, an international effort launched in 2006 to help cities prepare for their growing population of older adults. AARP's Network of Age-Friendly Communities targets improved Domains of Livability that influence older adults' health and quality of life.

The City of National City approved the Age-Friendly National City Action Plan on August 17, 2021. The Action Plan was drafted based on input from the community, stakeholders, and City staff to ensure that the Action Plan encapsulates the community's needs and feedback. The Action Plan is designed to meet the needs of all residents of all ages and backgrounds and create a more livable and connected community with the Seven Domains of Livability most relevant to National City, which are: Outdoor Space and Building; Social and Civic Participation; Community Information; Respect and Social Inclusion; Housing; Transportation; and Health and Wellness.

The City was selected to receive a \$50,000 grant for the Age-Friendly Communities Program Technical Support from The San Diego Foundation in December 2020. This grant was made to support the City of National City's development and implementation of the Age-Friendly Action Plan and related activities. This project consisted of monthly events for middle-aged and elderly residents in National City, known as Senior Saturdays. Senior Saturdays held booths and workshops with community-based organizations offering residents resources that address the Seven Domains of Livability. In June 2022, the City fulfilled all grant requirements.

In June of 2022, The San Diego Foundation presented a grant opportunity for eligible municipalities to request up to \$40,000 per proposal. The grant aims to support older adult-serving initiatives within municipalities that are members of the AARP-WHO Age-Friendly Network in San Diego County. This grant may support existing services or new and innovative senior-aligned projects based on developing or established recommendations from the municipality's AFC Action Plan. Eligible projects will need to demonstrate cross-departmental collaboration. By involving at least two distinct departments or agencies within the municipality, this effort aims to support integration efforts within the municipal government structure.

On August 2, 2022, The San Diego Foundation selected the City to receive a \$40,000 grant to support Senior Socials. The Senior Socials will include twelve social, artistic, active, and cultural events that are meant to enhance the quality of life for people of all ages and abilities, focusing on middle-aged and elderly residents of National City. The program is expected to run from July 2022 - June 2023. The program will consist of eight outdoor Senior Saturday and four indoor themed Senior Dances. For each outdoor event, there will be a minimum of four partner organizations to offer residents age-related resources that address health services, transportation, housing, and social participation. This program will serve at least 200 unique senior community members by June 2023. In addition, a survey will be created and distributed to the seniors regarding programming needs. The City's goal is to garner at least 250 responses by June 2023.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

Acceptance of this grant authorizes the establishment of a citywide grant fund appropriation of \$40,000 and corresponding revenue budget.

**RELATED CITY COUNCIL 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:**

Parks, Recreation and Library

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:**

This is not a project under CEQA and is therefore not subject to environmental review.CCR15378; PRC 21065.

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:**

Agenda Report posted within 72 hours of meeting date and time in accordance with Brown Act.

**ORDINANCE:**

Not Applicable

**EXHIBITS:**

Exhibit A - Age-Friendly Communities Grant Award Letter and Agreement  
Exhibit B - Resolution