

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER


NO. 03-24

DATE: January 22, 2003


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BOARD OF RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSIONERS

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST AUTHORITY FROM THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL TO APPLY FOR A MATCHING GRANT FROM THE BROOKDALE FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 TO FUND EXPANDED SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT'S KINSHIP CARE PROGRAM

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Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Withdrawn _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board:

1. Authorize the General Manager to request authority from the Mayor and City Council to apply for a matching grant from the Brookdale Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 for expanded services of the Department's Kinship Care Program in accordance with Administrative Code Section 14.6; and
2. Authorize the General Manager to execute the grant agreement, and any subsequent amendments thereto, pursuant to Administrative Code Section 14.8 as may be amended, on behalf of the City, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

SUMMARY:

The Brookdale Foundation's Relatives As Parent's Program (RAPP) focuses on services to grandparents and other relatives who have taken on the responsibility of surrogate parenting when the biological parents are unwilling or unable to provide care themselves. Each year the Brookdale Foundation offers RAPP grants to fund community services for these relative caregivers.

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The Department's Kinship Care program, which is funded by the Department of Aging, currently provides comprehensive social services to older relative caregivers. This grant would provide an expansion to existing services, offering critically needed educational groups and recreational activities to older adults raising their relative's child(ren). The required match for this grant will be met by the current funding for the program from the Department of Aging.

This report was prepared by Vicki Israel, Principal Recreation Supervisor II.