

MEMORANDUM
OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jim Holmes, Supervisor, District 3

DATE: August 18, 2009

SUBJECT: REVENUE SHARING – Approve appropriation of \$500 in Revenue Sharing monies to the *Boy Scout Troop 269 of Auburn* to help support the construction of the Auburn School Park Preserve Community Garden, as requested by Supervisor Holmes (\$500).

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve appropriation of \$500 in Revenue Sharing monies to the *Boy Scout Troop 269 of Auburn* to help support the construction of the Auburn School Park Preserve Community Garden, as requested by Supervisor Holmes (\$500).

BACKGROUND/COMMUNITY BENEFITS: In approving the following contributions, the Placer County Board of Supervisors finds that each and every approved contribution serves a public purpose by promoting the general welfare of the County and its inhabitants therefore a benefit results to the County.

The Board of Supervisors is being asked to approve appropriations to help fund the *Boy Scout Troop 269 of Auburn*. The Boy Scout Troop 269 of Auburn supports many community projects for the betterment of the community with both the young and elderly in mind. The current project underway is the Auburn School Park Preserve Community Garden which is located behind Auburn City Hall. The funds designated towards this program will help defray the costs of the garden planting beds, the irrigation system, lighting, soil, pathways, paver placement and construction of the compost bins.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds are available in the Revenue Sharing budget.

June 26, 2009

Dear Supervisor Jim Holmes

My name is Blake Willick of Boy Scout Troop 269 and I'm in the process of constructing the City's School Park Preserve Community Garden. I have been working on the project for over a year to earn my Boy Scout Eagle Rank. To date over 700 hours of volunteered labor has gone into the project. The Community Garden is located behind City Hall and is being built for the betterment of the community with both the young and elderly in mind.

I've completed the potting/tool shed, the shed's trellis, and the pavilions and park over looks foundation work and steel framings. I'm currently in the process of having the lumber milled from locally fallen cedar and redwoods for these structures completion. I hope to complete these two structures prior to August first.

I'm writing you because I need your assistance in completing the project. Due to the current economy it has been difficult raising funds for the project. I estimate that I will need an additional five thousand dollars in materials to complete the project. I realize this is a large sum of money and I'm not asking you to donate this amount. I am asking for whatever you feel appropriate. Your funds will be used prudently for a project that will serve the community for years to come. I will be glad to meet with you on site to review the project further.

These funds will be used to help pay for the garden planting beds, their irrigation systems, lighting, soil, pathways, paver placement and construction of the compost bins. If your club would like to take on anyone of these tasks, I'd be glad to discuss this with you and see what would be appropriate.

I'm looking forward to hearing from you and anticipating your help in making Auburn a little bit better place to live. I can be reached at 530-888-8643 or my cell at 530-613-5026.

Sincerely,

Blake Willick

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