

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA ITEM**

Petitioner: Daniel Hernandez, Director of Parks and Recreation

Recommendation:

Approve and authorize the submission of the Hydroponics Garden grant application to the Green Our Planet Organization in the amount of \$8,000 to be granted in August 2023; and authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation or his designee to sign any additional grant documents related there to; and accept funds if awarded. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund #:	2410.904	Fund Name:	County Grants
Fund Center:	1280110100/Hollywood Recreation Center	Funded PGM/Grant:	N/A
Amount:	Materials valued at: \$8,000		
Description:	Green Our Planet: Hydroponics Grant		
Additional Comments:	Requires an in-kind match of \$2,000		

BACKGROUND:

In March 2023, the Clark County Parks & Recreation (CCPR) Department, Hollywood Recreation center received an announcement from Green Our Planet promoting their Hydroponics Stem Program grant opportunity. The "Hydroponics Stem Program grant " will provide funding for training and implementation of a program focused on STEM, nutrition, and conservation in a hands-on natural laboratory.

Green Our Planet grant will provide enough hydroponics systems for up to 20 classrooms, including a 4'x3'x4' commercial unit that can grow more than 200 plants at a time. Green Our Planet also supplies each school/facility with all necessary materials: a seed germinator, nutrient fertilizers, pH, and Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) measurement tools and more valued at \$8,000, to CCPR if selected. CCPR will be required to provide an in-kind match of \$2,000 to purchase the remaining supplies.

Hollywood Recreation center would utilize the awarded funds to expand STEM learning opportunities for preschool participants, daily youth and teen programs promoting STEM. Additional activities would be focused on improving social, emotional, academic, and behavioral outcomes.

The goal of this opportunity is to increase Hydroponic awareness, STEM, nutrition, and positive behaviors in youth who participate in this program.

Staff requests that the Board approve and authorize the submission of the grant application and accept the funds awarded.

Cleared for Agenda

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