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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 14-199

DATE August 13, 2014

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SUBJECT: EXPO CENTER – DONATION FROM FRIENDS OF EXPO CENTER FOR SUMMER YOUTH JOB CORPS PROGRAM

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General Manager

Approved _____

Disapproved _____

Withdrawn _____

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Accept the following donation from the Friends of Expo Center in the amount of \$49,500.00 for the Summer Youth Job Corps program, and that appropriate recognition is given to the donor; and,
2. Authorize the Chief Accounting Employee ~~to approve and disburse stipend payments to the program's participants, to encumber and pay stipend payments to the program's participants~~ *effective to June 9, 2014 - from Fund 302784 account 54379M, EXPO Center Donation*

SUMMARY:

EXPO Center will receive \$49,500.00 from The Friends of Expo Center for the EXPO Center Summer Youth Job Corps program. Funds will be deposited into the EXPO (EPICC) Donation Account for program related expenses and will be used for the sole purpose of paying stipends to 30 interns who participated in the program. Additionally, ten (10) Summer Youth Job Corps interns will be hired for aquatics and stipends will be paid from program donations that have already been deposited into the EXPO donation account.

The EXPO Center Summer Youth Job Corps program is committed to positive youth development by providing healthy alternatives through job and life skills training to teen members at EXPO Center. The program consists of a ten (10) week leadership training course. The forty (40) participants will work a maximum of twenty (20) hours per week and receive a stipend of \$8.25 per hour.

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The Summer Youth Job Corps program focuses on learning about teamwork, building job skills and a strong work ethic, improving leadership skills, learning tolerance of others, and developing a sense of responsibility. Interns will participate and conduct activities in a day camp setting, aquatics, or work in the Exposition Park Rose Garden, as well as gain administrative experience working at EXPO Center special events, the senior center, and the Executive Director's Office. EXPO Center staff will provide supervision and on-the-job-training for all interns.

This is the fifth year that The Friends of Expo Center has provided grant funding to support the EXPO Center's Summer Youth Job Corps program. This year, EXPO Center will be hiring forty (40) interns and the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, which has a similar program, will hire an additional ten (10) EXPO Center teens to work at the museum.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Acceptance of this donation has no fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund.

This report was prepared by Belinda Jackson, Executive Director, EXPO Center.