

Policy Briefing Summary

City Council



Regarding:

Resolution to Authorize Reallocation of \$6,300 of Previously Appropriated Funding to Social and Environmental Entrepreneurs (SEE) for FY 2027

Staff Contact(s):

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Presenter:

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Date of Proposed Action:

June 1, 2026

Issue

The Vibrant Community Funding amount included in the FY 2027 budget for Social and Environmental Entrepreneurs (SEE) was incorrect due to a scoring calculation error between the two program applications that were submitted and awarded funding. Based on the application scoring, SEE is due an additional \$6,300.

Background / Rule

The Vibrant Community Fund (VCF) is a competitive annual grant process used by the City Council to allocate funding to local non-profits and community agencies that provide essential services to residents. VCF funding is awarded based on an application scoring process that serves as a basis for allocating the total amount made available for this purpose in the City's budget.

Analysis

During the FY 2027 application process, SEE submitted two grant requests: Restorative Justice (\$90,000) and Restorative Justice Services for Charlottesville City Schools (\$60,000). Upon scoring, the allocated amounts were mistakenly interchanged between the programs. Subsequently, applying funding percentages to the incorrect amounts resulted in an award shortfall of \$6,300. Staff is requesting an additional appropriation to resolve this discrepancy.

Financial Impact

An additional \$6,300 from VCF funds is needed to correct the error. Of this, \$5,191 in unallocated VCF funds and \$1,109 from Citywide Contingency will cover the shortfall. Since both funding sources are already part of the FY 2027 budget, this correction only reallocates existing funds; no new funds are required.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the appropriation.

Recommended Motion (if Applicable)

Attachments

1. Resolution to reallocate \$6,300 to SEE