



City of Apache Junction

Finance Department



DATE: August 5, 2024

TO: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

THROUGH: Bryant Powell, City Manager

FROM: Angelie Hawley, Finance Director

SUBJECT: Proposition 202 State Shared Revenue Program Grant Application for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

REQUEST

Consideration of approval of Resolution No. 24-28 approving the submittal of application from the City of Apache Junction to the Gila River Indian Community State Shared Revenue Program for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

BACKGROUND

In November 2002, the voters of Arizona approved Proposition 202 which initiated gaming compacts between the State of Arizona and the Native American tribes. An important provision of Proposition 202 was the sharing of gaming revenues with the state. Henceforth, tribal communities would be assessed by the state a percentage of their gross gaming revenue. Tribal communities had the option of either paying all of this assessment into a state managed fund or to pay 88% of the assessment into the state-managed fund and retain 12% of the assessment for distribution as grants.

The Gila River Indian Community (“GRIC”) exercised its option to retain and administer 12% of State shared revenue. GRIC’s policy is to generally limit the distributions to cities, towns, and counties in Maricopa and Pinal Counties. Funding priorities include: 1) public safety (police, fire, EMS); 2) transportation; 3) health care services; 4) economic development; and 5) education.

The law also stipulates that local nonprofits may submit applications to tribal communities if the nonprofit organization is “sponsored” by an appropriate municipality. In such cases, the municipality agrees to act as a conduit for the grant funds. The municipality receives the grant funds from the tribal community and in turn issues a check to the nonprofit agency.

DISCUSSION

The following application was recommended for funding by the GRIC community office for special funding. Upon receipt of a resolution, the project will be forwarded to the GRIC governing body for final approval.

RECOMMENDATION

Due to grant deadlines, GRIC is requesting that an approved Resolution be forwarded to them as soon as possible. Therefore, Staff respectfully recommends the city council approve Resolution No. 24-28.