Board of Supervisors Memorandum

May 6, 2014

The Youth Corps of America, Inc. Funding

Background

Since 2003, the Youth Corps of America, Inc. (TYCoA) has been dedicated to providing educational programs for youth and young adults that build character, train in the responsibilities of participating in citizenship, and develop personal fitness. TYCoA serves youth of all races, ethnicities, religions and socioeconomic backgrounds. TYCoA encourage youth to serve their communities and work together.

TYCoA sees America's youth as our greatest commodity. By building young leaders through long-term prevention and mentoring, we ensure the future of a strong America. TYCoA's programs are based on the following guiding principles:

- A strong prevention program is comprehensive and addresses multiple needs with a variety of services and activities available to children and families.
- A community coalition that includes Pima County, the City of Tucson and the City of South Tucson.
- Collaboration with local Neighborhood Associations, Schools, Prevention and Mental Health agencies, Tucson Police Department, businesses and nonprofit organizations.
- Prevention services are based upon research and best-known scientific practices.
- Each school and community should be a part of the approach to planning and prioritizing of services.
- Prevention programs must increase awareness and have sensitivity for cultural, racial and socioeconomic diversity.

Recommendation

I recommend the Board of Supervisors approve an allocation from the Board Contingency Fund in the amount of $6,000 to The Youth Corps of America, Inc. to support educational programs for youth.

Respectfully submitted,

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