

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
AUGUST 7, 2018, AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>Authorization to enter into a Sub-Award Agreement with the Central Arkansas Library for a National League of Cities Grant to develop an Anti-Hunger Campaign to expand Out-of-School Meal Programs.</p>	<p>Ordinance √ Resolution</p>	<p>Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
SYNOPSIS	<p>Authorizes the City Manager to enter into a Sub-Award Agreement for a grant from the National League of Cities to the Central Arkansas Library System for an initiative to reduce hunger in the community by expanding participation in the United States Department of Agriculture Nutrition Programs through a Citywide Anti-Hunger Campaign.</p>	
FISCAL IMPACT	<p>None. The City will receive grant funds from the National League of Cities in an amount up to \$139,000.00 and will may be Sub-Awarded to the Central Arkansas Library System.</p>	
RECOMMENDATION	<p>Approval of the resolution.</p>	
BACKGROUND	<p>As a result of the significant drop in the number of Federal Food Service Sites for 2018, the City sought a grant from the National League of Cities (NLC) to develop a strategic plan for children to have consistent access to healthy meals at no cost. The City’s primary partners in this project are the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance, the lead sponsor of the Arkansas No Kid Hungry Campaign, Central Arkansas Library System (CALs) and the Little Rock School District. In the past, various CALs locations located within the City have served as United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) feeding sites.</p>	

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NLC, in partnership with the Food Research and Action Center, selected the City as one (1) of six (6) municipalities awarded grant funding to develop an Anti-Hunger Campaign, which will expand the USDA Out-of-School Meal Programs. The City was chosen because of the commitment of its leadership to reduce hunger for families, the ability of its partners to strengthen meal programs and the ability of the City to develop a strong Citywide campaign that encourages the entire community to act. The Board of Directors is now requested to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Sub-Award Agreement of up to \$139,000 with CALS to develop an Anti-Hunger Campaign, which will expand the Out-of-School Meal Programs.