



Staff Report

Agenda Item: **NON-PROFIT FUNDING** – Review of recommendations for council approval awarding of funds to government agencies, non-profit and not-for-profit organizations that provide services and/or projects that benefit Clarkdale citizens.

Staff Contact: Kathy Bainbridge, Town Clerk

Meeting Date: November 27, 2007

Background: Every year the Town is contacted by various agencies requesting funds for their programs or projects. In the 2004-2005 budget, Town Council began setting aside funds for such requests, and a process was developed by which these requests are now being reviewed for funding consideration annually. The funds are set aside in a “Council Projects” account. The 2006-2007 budget allocated \$25,000 to this account, of which \$16,650 was awarded. This year \$4,500 was allocated to this account through the budget process. In addition to non-profit funding, the Council can use these funds for other projects.

This year’s Applicants were reviewed by a committee consisting of: Councilmember Jerry Wiley, Library Advisory Board Member Winnie Bohall, and Town Clerk, Kathy Bainbridge.

The committee considered the applications and discussed rating criteria including:

- Program benefit for the community
- Number of Clarkdale residents serviced
- Program history/sustainability
- Benefit of Available Funding

There were twelve applications received. **The table on the next page shows the applicants, the amount they requested, project, and the Committee’s recommendation for funding.**

Recommendation: To award funding and in-kind items to the applicants as recommended by the review committee on the attached page.

Applicant	Request	Project	Recommended Award
Verde Valley Caregivers <i>Currently 41 Clarkdale residents receiving service and 21 Guardian Angels on loan.</i>	\$1,500	Neighbor to Neighbor Program and Guardian Angel Program	\$1,500 Funding for portion of coordinator's pay, purchase of new guardian Angel units and maintenance of existing units for Clarkdale citizens.
Verde Valley Veterans Van <i>25% of patients reside in Clarkdale. 10 – 15 residents per month.</i>	\$2,500	FREE transportation services for Veterans, the disabled and elderly.	\$1,500 Funding fuel, phone, and insurance costs along with van maintenance.
Buena Vista Children's Services <i>Currently service 75 children (23% of K-6 enrollment)</i>	\$2,500	Discovery Connection Field Trips	\$1,500 Funding to offset cost of transportation, destination admittance, lunch and staff trip costs for Clarkdale Children from low-income families.
Relay For Life, American Cancer Society	In Kind	Use of Town owned tents tables and chairs delivered to the event site.	To approve requests.
Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce	\$2,500	Economic Development & Tourism Activities	None
Mingus Union High School	\$10,000	Weight room equipment	None
Clarkdale Heritage Center	\$4,500	Purchase objects, provide small scale maintenance and landscaping, provide for seed money and matching grant funds	None
Verde Valley Theatre	\$5,000	New Dimmer system and development of a master plan for the Grand Theater	None
Light Heart Foundation	\$2,500	"Inter-generate!" Workshop	None
Verde Valley Senior Citizens Association	\$8,200	Audio Visual Equipment	None
Verde Valley Humane Society	\$7,000	Spay/Neuter Assistance Animal Angel Network Vet assistance for owners	None
Yavapai Big Brothers/ Big Sisters	\$5,000	Clarkdale Mentoring Project	None