

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA  
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Agenda Date:	November 21, 2023
Action Required:	Appropriation
Presenter:	Chris Carr, Park and Recreation Management Specialist II
Staff Contacts:	Chris Carr, Park and Recreation Management Specialist II Dana Kasler, Director, Parks and Recreation
<b>Title:</b>	<b>Virginia Department of Education Special Nutrition Program Child and Adult Care Food Program - \$50,000</b>

**Background:**

The City of Charlottesville, through Parks and Recreation, has received approval for a reimbursement of up to \$50,000 from the Virginia Department of Education Special Nutrition Program to provide free dinner to children 18 and under attending our drop-in afterschool programs through their Child and Adult Care Food Program.

**Discussion:**

Charlottesville Parks and Recreation will operate an afterschool meals program for 36 weeks, during the regular school year. There are currently 4 locations, Friendship Court, Greenstone on 5th, South First Street, and Westhaven Community Centers that serve children 18 years and under. The reimbursement will cover the costs of a nutritious dinner at these locations, which also have an educational/enrichment component. Dinner will be served from 4:30-6:30 pm at the various community centers. Most of the children served receive free or reduced meals during the school year. Over 400 children will be served each week during the school year. The dinners are purchased through the City of Charlottesville School Food Service. The Parks and Recreation Department pays the bills to the City of Charlottesville Food Service and is then reimbursed by the Virginia Department of Education Special Nutrition Programs.

**Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan:**

Approval of this agenda item aligns directly with Council's vision for Charlottesville to be America's Healthiest City and it contributes to Goal 2 of the Strategic Plan - Healthy and Safe City. Children will receive a nutritious dinner, hopefully replacing a meal that did not exist or providing a healthier balanced option for them.

**Community Engagement:**

N/A

**Budgetary Impact:**

There is no impact to the General Fund. The funds will be appropriated, expensed, and reimbursed to a Grants Fund. There is no required local match for this program.

**Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval and appropriation of funds,

**Alternatives:**

If money is not appropriated, the free dinner program will not be offered to youth, most of whom receive free or reduced meals during the school year.

**Attachments:**

N/A

**APPROPRIATION**

**Virginia Department of Education Special Nutrition Program  
Child and Adult Care Food Program  
\$50,000**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Charlottesville, through Parks and Recreation, has received approval for reimbursement up to \$50,000 from the Virginia Department of Education Special Nutrition Program to provide free dinner to children attending select drop-in afterschool centers; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant award covers the period from period October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the sum of \$50,000, received from the Virginia Department of Education Special Nutrition Program is hereby appropriated in the following manner:

**Revenue – \$ 50,000**

Fund: 209                      Internal Order: 1900503                      G/L Account: 430120

**Expenditures - \$50,000**

Fund: 209                      Internal Order: 1900503                      G/L Account: 530670

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this appropriation is conditioned upon the receipt of \$50,000 from the Virginia Department of Education Special Nutrition Program.