City of Merced Grant Policy

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Grant Policy

Expedite the process and establish consistent procedures.

Grants less than \$50,000

- Delegate to City Manager the authority to apply and accept
- Delegate to Finance Officer to make necessary budget adjustments of revenue and expense
- Allows the use of pooled cash for reimbursement grants

Criteria

- Council has a policy, fund or plan in place supporting the program or grant activities.
- Grant or application does not require any additional City funds not already budgeted for this purpose.

Grants of \$50,000 or more

- Require Council action to approve a resolution to apply
- Require Council action to accept and appropriate

Criteria

- Activities proposed for grant funding should be consistent with City's mission and strategic goals.
- Funds will be used to purchase or lease real property.
- City acts as a fiscal agent for another agency.
- Appropriation of additional funds to serve as matching funds is required.
- Granting agency requires governing body approval to apply or accept funding.

Grant Examples under \$50,000

Grantor/Program	Police	Fire	Parks & Comm Svcs
Justice Assistance	\$30,000-\$49,000		
Bulletproof Vest	\$7,000-\$22,000		
Alcoholic Beverage Control	\$20,000-\$50,000		
State Homeland Security			
(SHSGP)	\$3,000-\$48,000	\$3,000-\$48,000	
Listos		\$25,000	
Merced County First 5			\$1,000-\$5,000
US Tennis Association			\$750