

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

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NO. 12-105

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**BOARD OF RECREATION
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SUBJECT: COMPUTER ACCESS NETWORK COACH VOLUNTEER PROGRAM –
AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT CASH DONATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES
PARKS FOUNDATION

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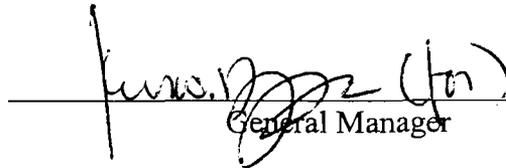
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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Accept a donation from the Los Angeles Parks Foundation (LAPF), a California 501(c)3 non-profit organization, for the implementation of the Computer Access Network (CAN) Coach Volunteer Program, which may consist of cash and in-kind supplies with a combined total value of \$25,000; and,
2. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to establish the necessary account within "Recreation and Parks Grant" Fund 205 to accept the donation in an amount up to \$25,000 for the CAN Coach Volunteer Program from LAPF.

SUMMARY:

In July 2011, the LAPF in partnership with the Department of Recreation and Parks (Department), submitted a grant application to the Weingart Foundation to fund a pilot program, CAN Coach Volunteer Program, on behalf of the Department. In December 2011, LAPF was awarded the \$25,000 grant for the pilot program, which was developed to provide computer assistance to community participants that visit the Department's Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) computer labs in an effort to sustain the program. This grant is expected to pilot the program at five sites within the East and South Los Angeles areas.

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Currently, the Department has 76 BTOP computer labs, which were established through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and Youth Policy Institute (YPI) grants. Ten of these labs offer computer training to assist community members in developing or enhancing their computer skills in this growing technological world. Funding for these trainers is expected to end in June 2012.

The CAN Coach Volunteer Program is designed to recruit and train community volunteers in basic computer skills to be able to offer assistance to other community members that visit the computer labs. Since the grant's target area is South and East Los Angeles, the pilot program will be conducted at Lou Costello Jr. Recreation Center, Cypress Recreation Center, Rancho Cienega Recreation Center, South Park Recreation Center, and Van Ness Recreation Center.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

The acceptance of this donation will not have a fiscal impact to the Department's General Fund.

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