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REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

NO. 12-215

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SUBJECT: EXPO CENTER – DONATION FROM FRIENDS OF EXPO CENTER FOR  
SUMMER YOUTH JOB CORPS PROGRAM

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 General Manager

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board:

1. Accept, with gratitude, a donation in the amount of \$34,650 from the Friends of Expo Center for the Summer Youth Job Corps program; and,
2. Authorize the Department's Chief Accounting Employee to approve and dispense stipend payments to participants of the program.

SUMMARY:

EXPO Center will receive \$34,650 from the Friends of Expo Center for the EXPO Center Summer Youth Job Corps program. The funds will be deposited into the EXPO (EPICC) Donation Account for program related expenses. The funds will be used for the sole purpose of paying stipends to the 30 interns who participate in the program.

The EXPO Center Summer Youth Job Corps program is committed to positive youth development by providing healthy alternatives through job and life skills training to teen members at EXPO Center. The program consists of seven-weeks of leadership training. The 30 participants will work a maximum of 20 hours per week and receive a stipend of \$8.25 per hour.

The Summer Youth Job Corps program focuses on learning about teamwork, building job skills and a strong work ethic, improving leadership skills, learning tolerance of others, and developing a sense of responsibility. Interns will participate in and conduct activities in a day camp setting,

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work in the Exposition Park Rose Garden, as well as gain administrative experience working in EXPO Center's special events, senior center, and the Executive Office. EXPO Center staff will provide the supervision and on the job training for all interns.

This is the third year that the Friends of Expo Center has received grant funding to support the EXPO Center's Summer Youth Job Corps program. In summer 2011, EXPO Center was able to hire 25 interns. This year, EXPO Center will hire 30 interns, and the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, which has a similar program, will hire an additional 20 EXPO Center teens to work at the museum.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Acceptance of this donation has no fiscal impact on the Department's General Fund.

This report was prepared by Belinda Jackson, Executive Director, EXPO Center.