

Council Meeting of
November 20, 2012

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: Community Services - Accept and appropriate \$3,000 donation from ExxonMobil Foundation for the City Library System.

RECOMMENDATION

The Community Services Director recommends that City Council accept a \$3000 donation from ExxonMobil Foundation and appropriate the donation to the following programs:

1. \$1000 to the North Torrance Library under FEAP727 ExxonMobil Anniversary Grant to purchase math and science materials to supplement the ExxonMobil Math and Science Homework Center;
2. \$1000 in support of 2013 Science Month;
3. \$1000 in support of 2013 Summer Reading Program

Funding

Funding is available from the donation by the ExxonMobil Foundation.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

The ExxonMobil Foundation has generously funded ongoing efforts to promote education via the Torrance Public Library, most especially in the areas of science, technology, engineering and math. The ExxonMobil Math and Science Homework Center at the North Torrance Library was entirely funded, and ongoing efforts such as science month continue to be possible due to the generosity of ExxonMobil as a community partner.

\$1,000 of this donation will go to continue supporting materials for the ExxonMobil Math and Science Homework Center at the North Torrance Library. Books and DVDs supporting ongoing education in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics for all ages will be purchased for the collection. This funding will be added to FEAP 727, ExxonMobil Anniversary Grant.

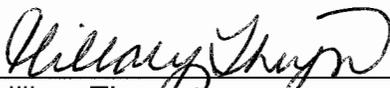
\$1,000 of this donation will support Science Month programming, an annual effort each January to have students focus on science through engaging events, special displays, and use of library resources. This funding will be deposited into the Library's trust fund, and then transferred to the appropriate operational budget.

\$1,000 of this donation will support the 2013 Summer Reading Program. This annual effort is designed to prevent summer learning loss in students by encouraging them to maintain a reading habit. This is critical so that students do not enter school behind where they were, and can maintain their reading skills. This funding will be deposited into the Library's trust fund, and then transferred to the appropriate operational budget.

The ongoing generosity of ExxonMobil continues to impact the students of Torrance through partnership with the Torrance Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

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