

CITY of ALBUQUERQUE

TWENTY FOURTH COUNCIL

COUNCIL BILL NO. R-21-150

ENACTMENT NO. R-2021-020

SPONSORED BY: Lan Sena

1 RESOLUTION

2 ADJUSTING FISCAL YEAR 2021 GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS TO
3 PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE PAN-ASIAN STUDENT
4 COMMUNITY; AND APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE
5 NM ASIAN FAMILY CENTER FOR ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAM.

6 WHEREAS, there has been recent increase in violence against Asian-
7 Americans due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, including Asian-American students
8 of all ages; and

9 WHEREAS, In 2011, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC),
10 identified suicide as the second leading cause of death among 12–18 year
11 olds; and

12 WHEREAS, National data from the 2013 Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance
13 System reported that 8.0% of American youth had at least one suicide attempt
14 within the twelve months preceding the survey; comparatively, 11.8% of Native
15 Hawaiian and Pacific Islander (NHPI) youth and 9.5% of Asian American (AA)
16 youth had at least one suicide attempt; and

17 WHEREAS, among males, Asians were the most likely to attempt suicide
18 compared to other groups; and similar pattern was seen for feeling sad or
19 helpless almost every day for two or more weeks in a row; and

20 WHEREAS, AA and NHPI youth may be susceptible to different risks than
21 other racial/ethnic groups; such as ethnic and cultural socialization or
22 orientation, poverty, education related stress, familialism, discrimination, and
23 acculturation that can take root at a young age, affecting mental health
24 outcomes. Additionally, cultural socialization and unique life experiences
25 specific to AA and NHPI populations can also promote resilience and serve as
26 protective factors against suicide; and

1 WHEREAS, the NM Asian Family Center provides culturally sensitive
2 programs and services focused on families and youth, to help create a Pan-
3 Asian community that advocates for and supports itself; and

4 WHEREAS, the NM Asian Family Center's programs include "Tea Talks", a
5 monthly gathering for members of the Asian Pacific Islander community which
6 includes family support assistance programs, through a Family Coordinator
7 and Youth Interns; and

8 WHEREAS, the program is need of expansion as COVID-19 restrictions are
9 lifted, and students return back to in-person learning; and

10 WHEREAS, of the \$77,000 of funding required to expand services to 50-100
11 additional youth, the City's Department of Family and Community has
12 identified \$45,000 of existing funding, and is in need of and additional \$32,000
13 to fulfill the needs of the program; and

14 WHEREAS, approval of additional funding for the program, and approval of
15 the related to social service contract supplement, is timely and needed to
16 provide services to City residents.

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF
18 ALBUQUERQUE:

19 SECTION 1. That the following amounts are hereby appropriated to the
20 following program from available fund balance for Fiscal Year 2021:

21 GENERAL FUND - 110

22 Family and Community Services

23 Health and Human Services \$32,000

24 SECTION 2. That a supplemental agreement to the City's social service
25 contract with the NM Asian Family Center, as necessary to implement the
26 purposes of this resolution, is hereby approved in accordance with the City's
27 Public Purchases Ordinance 5-5-19 (A)(4)(b).

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1 PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 19th DAY OF April, 2021
2 BY A VOTE OF: 7 FOR 0 AGAINST.

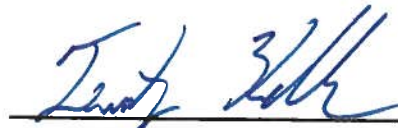
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9 Cynthia D. Borrego, President

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14 APPROVED THIS 27 DAY OF April, 2021
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23 Timothy M. Keller, Mayor
24 City of Albuquerque
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31 Ethan Watson, City Clerk
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