Requester Information

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Section 1: Requester Details

Description:

Centro Civico Mexicano and Centro de la Familia, who have a combined 135 years of experience serving Utah's urban and rural communities, are seeking funding for El Centro, a new civic center that will offer economic development opportunities, child care for working families, athletic programs, and social/community gathering spaces. The construction of El Centro is the second of a two phase development project that will complete the Centro mixed use project. This project includes the completed senior housing (phase I), and the El Centro Community Center (phase II), which will foster community based work force development, partner with local nonprofits and municipalities, and offer economic, social and educational resources to thousands of local families.

Legislative designee contact information:

Name: Brandy Farmer and Peter Corroon

Organization: Centro Civico Mexicano (Brandy); Corroon Company (Peter)

Position: Centro Civico President and CEO-Brandy; Development Consultant (Peter)

Section 2: Funding Information

How will the appropriation be used?

Category	One-time		Ongoing
Personnel Services	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
In-State Travel	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00

Category	One-time		Ongoing
Out-of-State Travel	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Supplies and Equipment	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Technology Purchases	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Infrastructure/Capital Investments	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $2,000,000.00	$0.00
Other Charges/Pass Thru	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00

Expenditure Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
$0.00	**$2,000,000.00**	**$0.00**

Funding Sources:

General Fund

Amount Requested:

2026 (One-time)	$0.00
2027 (One-time)	$2,000,000.00
2027 (Ongoing)	$0.00

Revenue Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
$0.00	**$2,000,000.00**	**$0.00**

Is this a multi-year project?

No

Is this project scalable if the Legislature does not fund the full requested amount?

Yes

A short explanation describing how the project might be scaled?

The $2 million funding request will go towards the $22 million hard construction costs of the new facility. A total of $15 million in private funding is required. Currently, over $2 million has been raised. The non-profits are seeking other funding from other public and private sources. If the legislature does not provide full funding, the non-profits will seek additional funding from other organizations, or scale back the facility.

Section 3: Agency Information

Subjects:

Economy

01533

Agency:

710 / Cultural and Community Engagement

Type of entity to receive pass-through funding:

Private Not for Profit

Grant recipient

No

Requested Direct Award Grant Recipient

Section 4: Performance Outcome Measurement

Who would benefit the most from this request (who is the target audience)?

The project will serve over 15,000 community members at the new facility. El Centro will also be the headquarters for Head Start programming that serves over 500 children and families in rural areas of the state.

What is this project or program intended to accomplish?

This project is intended to provide thousands of youth and families with training, education, resources, and a sense of community. El Centro will provide life skills programming that includes workforce training, entrepreneurship classes, parenting and childcare support, and financial literacy courses that will allow individuals and families to thrive.

How will the Legislature know whether the project or program achieved its intended purpose?

The success will be measured by the 2029 completed construction of the project and the expansion of programs that serve children and families throughout the state.

Section 5: Other Supporting Documents

Intent Language Documents

Previous Funding Documents

Full Time Employees

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