

AGENDA ITEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING () Discussion only
(X) Action

FROM (DEPT/ DIVISION): Community Development Department

SUBJECT: AWERE Grant Funding Recommendations

<p>Background: The Athena-Weston Education and Resource Enhancement (AWERE) Grant Committee met April 7, 2023 to review grant requests. A total of \$74,500.00 is available for the 2023 funding cycle. The AWERE Grant Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners approve funding the grants shown on the attached list.</p>	<p>Requested Action: Adopt Order No. BCC2023-018</p>
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ATTACHMENTS: 2023 AWERE Grant Committee Funding Recommendations; Proposed Order

Date: (04/10/23) Submitted By: Robert Waldher, AWERE President

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Checkoffs:

- () Dept. Head (copy)
- () Human Resources (copy)
- () Fiscal
- () Legal (copy)
- () (Other - List:)

To be notified of Meeting:
Robert Waldher

Needed at Meeting:
Robert Waldher

Scheduled for meeting on: April 26, 2023

Action taken:

Follow-up:

2023 AWERE Grant Committee Funding Recommendations

Applicant	Project Name	Amount
Athena Mainstreet Association	Historic Stahl Building Updates	\$2,836
City of Weston	Heating & Insulation for Parks and Rec. Building	\$10,000
Gem Inc.	Athena Star Saloon Tables and Chairs	\$5,243
American Legion Post 130	Legion Hall Renovation	\$6,970
Athena Library	Learning Station	\$4,500
East Umatilla Fire & Rescue & Ambulance Area	Fire Rescue UTV	\$11,500
Umatilla County Pioneer Association	Signage Project	\$2,000
Weston Cemetery District	Water System Upgrades	\$1,500
Kees Blue Mountain Cemetery	GPR Survey and Markers	\$2,000
Athena-Weston School District	Pickleball Court Renovation	\$19,951
Weston Community Church	Basement Floor Replacement	\$8,000
	TOTAL	\$74,500

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF UMATILLA COUNTY

STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Approval)
of Grants of 2023 Athena-) Order No. BCC2023-018
Weston Education and Resource)
Enhancement (AWERE))

WHEREAS on February 5, 2004, Athena-Weston Education and Resource Enhancement (AWERE) was formed by the Board of Commissioners;

WHEREAS AWERE was established to distribute private charitable donations from FPL Energy to community improvements projects within AWERE's Service Area, specifically the annual donation of \$75,000 that began in 2012, and continued to 2021, and also funds from Community Services Fees under the Oregon Strategic Investment Program, with a current balance available for awarding of approximately \$74,500;

WHEREAS the AWERE Board reviews grant requests for the funds and makes a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for review and approval;

WHEREAS the AWERE Board has made recommendations for recipients of the 2023 grants for the funds received in December, 2022, for a total of \$74,500.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners orders as follows:

A. The following distribution of AWERE funds is approved:

1. Athena Mainstreet Association - Stahl Building Updates
- \$2,836
2. City of Weston - Parks Building Heating & Insulation -
\$10,000
3. Gem, Inc. - Tables and Chairs - \$5,243
4. American Legion Post 130 - Legion Hall Renovation -
\$6,970
5. Athena Library - Learning Station - \$4,500
6. East Umatilla Fire & Rescue District - Fire Rescue UTV
- \$11,500

7. Umatilla County Pioneer Association - Signage Project
- 2,000
8. Weston Cemetery District - Water System Upgrades -
\$1,500
9. Kees Blue Mountain Cemetery - GPR Survey and Marker -
\$2,000
10. Athena-Weston School District - Pickleball Court
Renovation - \$19,951
11. Weston Community Church - Basement Floor Replacement
- \$8,000

Each project and improvements are to be completed by December 31, 2023. Each recipient shall execute acknowledgment for awarded funds. Funds will be distributed on reimbursement basis to recipients upon request and verification by recipient.

DATED this 26th day of April, 2023.

UMATILLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Daniel N. Dorran, Chair

John M. Shafer, Commissioner

Celinda A. Timmons, Commissioner

ATTEST:
OFFICE OF COUNTY RECORDS

Records Officer