

**CITY OF CLOVERDALE
CITY COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION NO. 034-2022

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLOVERDALE APPROVING A FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE REDWOOD EMPIRE FOOD BANK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$40,000) AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT IN A FORM APPROVED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, the Redwood Empire Food Bank requested funding assistance from the City of Cloverdale; and

WHEREAS, the City Council considered the Redwood Empire Food Bank's additional funding request during the discussions on allocation of one-time funding received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) on January 26, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City Council allocated \$40,000 in the fy 2021-22 budget to provided funding assistance to the Redwood Empire Food Bank for Food Bank Programs and Community Services; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends including the Redwood Empire Food Bank funding request for Redwood Empire Food Bank programs attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A" in a funding agreement; and

WHEREAS, the proposed funding agreement is for a not to exceed compensation amount of \$40,000, which will be funded by the City's General Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Cloverdale City Council approves a funding agreement with Redwood Empire Food Bank in an amount not to exceed Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) and authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney.

REGULARLY PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Cloverdale on this 13th day of April, 2022 by the following vote:


AYES: (4) Mayor Lands and Councilmembers: Bagby, Cruz, Palla

NOES: (0)

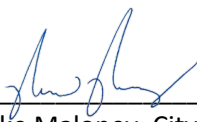
ABSTAIN: (0)

ABSENT: (1) Vice Mayor Wolter

APPROVED:


Todd Lands (Jun 15, 2022 09:59 PDT)
Todd Lands, Mayor

ATTEST:



Mike Maloney, City Clerk



March 4, 2022

David J. Kelley, City Manager
City of Cloverdale
124 N. Cloverdale Boulevard
Cloverdale, CA 95425

Re: Funding for the Redwood Empire Food Bank

Dear Mr. Kelley,

This funding request comes in response to the decision of the Cloverdale City Council on January 26, 2022 to provide the Redwood Empire Food Bank with \$40,000.

The funds will replenish a portion of the funds the Redwood Empire Food Bank expended in 2021 to support people of Cloverdale who were in need of food assistance as a result of the Coronavirus.

During the year, the Redwood Empire Food Bank provided more than \$929,300 worth of groceries at a cost of \$201,000. And countywide, we provided \$47.9 million worth of groceries, with an overall cost of \$10.4 million.

Looking toward the future, we are excited regarding the increased availability of COVID-19 vaccines and the increased hopes of returning to work for some residents. Our excitement, however, is tempered by the recognition that there will be a long and slow economic recovery from the pandemic for many families.

During the pandemic, utility companies committed not to disconnect utilities for non-payment, but those bills are not forgiven. Californians, for example, owe California's four utilities an estimated \$1.25 billion. Similarly, California renters were protected from eviction related to non-payment of rent during the pandemic. It is reasonable to assume that Californians also owe many billions of dollars more in unpaid rent, mortgage, credit card, car payment, health care, and other COVID-related accumulated debt. It will take families many months, if not years, to dig themselves out of the financial hole caused by COVID-19.

Those most impacted by the pandemic have been within the hospitality, service, and tourism industries where workers were often working in jobs that did not pay a living wage pre pandemic. These include residents who will be among those most challenged to repay COVID



related accumulated debt. All these families will require support during the financial recovery from the pandemic. And what we know is that when families have to choose between paying bills and food, they choose bills – leading to greater food insecurity and hunger.

Thank you for your partnership as we join together to stabilize vulnerable families in Cloverdale.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a large, stylized 'D' followed by a horizontal line and a smaller, stylized 'G'.

David Goodman
Hunger Relief Worker & CEO



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