



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**Tuesday, April 7, 2020**

**FY2020/21 SAN PABLO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT  
(Suspended until further notice)**

Dear Community Partner:

As you know, we are all facing unprecedented times and are operating in an environment of uncertainty and evolving needs. Responding to the COVID-19 pandemic the San Pablo City Council declared a Local Emergency and launched modified city operations, effective March 16, 2020. The local emergency declaration enabled the activation of the City's Emergency Operations Center and transformed City Operations to an "essential services" mode of operation with closure of non-essential City facilities and limited public services.

During the San Pablo City Council meeting on April 6, 2020, City Council passed Resolution 2020-038, which authorizes the FY 2020/21 Annual San Pablo Community Foundation Grant program material. Because of these uncertain times, **the Resolution also authorizes a temporary suspension in the issuance of said grant program materials due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.** Therefore, we are temporarily suspending the proposed timeline due to the unforeseen impacts until further notice.

We recognize that this news is coming at an already trying time for your organization. Please know that our goal is to be as responsive as possible to our community, while also balancing an extraordinary set of circumstances facing the City of San Pablo employees, businesses and community. As this pandemic evolves, and when we can gain a deeper understanding of funding and the impact of this pandemic on our communities, we will provide more clarity. The corporate donations from the San Pablo Lytton Casino, Republic Services, San Pablo Senior Advisory Board and the City of San Pablo play important roles in making the program successful and once we're near the end of the pandemic, we will revisit with our funding partners, the program and strategy moving forward.

Please be sure the check the City's website for updates.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Matt Rodriguez'.

Matt Rodriguez,  
City Manager