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Special Issues - Library Services
Group 2

From: Hartmann, Joan
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 11:43 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: FW: Board of Supervisors Meeting - April 13, 2020 - Guadalupe Library



Late request to be read during Libraries special item.

From: Amelia Villegas <Villegas@ci.guadalupe.ca.us>
Sent: Friday, April 10, 2020 1:14 PM
To: Williams, Das <DWilliams@countyofsb.org>; Hartmann, Joan <jHartmann@countyofsb.org>; p.adam@countyofsb.org; Lavagnino, Steve <steve.lavagnino@countyofsb.org>; Hart, Gregg <gHart@countyofsb.org>
Subject: Board of Supervisors Meeting - April 13, 2020 - Guadalupe Library

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I would greatly appreciate it if my email below could be read at the Board of Suepervisors meeting on Monday, April 13th:

The community of Guadalupe, though small, continues to need its branch library. Having been born and raised in Guadalupe, I have a vested interest in seeing our library continue to support the residents, both young and old, in Guadalupe. As the City's representative to the County's Library Advisory Committee, I have an even greater interest in saving our library.

As one of the branches without a city or county owned facility, I am pleased to report that the City has confirmed their commitment to provide monies toward the rent for FY 20/21. Those funds are a plus but the branch needs additional funding, basically to "just keep afloat". Right now the deficit is projected to be \$28,809 for the upcoming year. That amount is based on the \$7.80 per capita. Additional funding is needed, not only for the remaining amount to cover the annual rent but also for the normal, day-to-day expenses in keeping our branch open, e.g. utilities, phone, staffing and administrative overhead.

I am requesting that the Board of Supervisors seriously consider increasing the per capita amount to \$11.70. This additional \$3.90 per capita is needed to keep just the "status quo" at our branch. The library has been in Guadalupe for more than 70+ years. I lived at the library as a child after school and during the summer months. Once we have seen ourselves through the current pandemic, the library will reopen. I hope that our residents don't see any drastic changes due to lack of funding.

Thank you for considering this sincere request to help retain our small branch here in Guadalupe.

Amelia M. Villegas
City of Guadalupe Representative
SBCo Library Advisory Committee

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From: Laurel Hart <laurelhart1@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 11:48 AM
To: sbcob
Subject: Continue Library Funding Support



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Hello,

For the Board of Supervisors meeting today, please read this into the record:

During this challenging time, our public libraries are as crucial a public service as ever. We dearly hope the county will continue the same amount of funding for the Santa Barbara Public Libraries as was present before this crisis.

Thank you,
Laurel Hart
Santa Barbara, CA

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From: Sue Carter <suzalacarter@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 13, 2020 12:02 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: PLEASE READ THIS INTO THE RECORD, SUPPORT OUR LIBRARIES



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Sue Carter <suzalacarter@gmail.com>

to sbcob

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Our Libraries are an important part of our community. My grandchildren and the whole family love going to choose books, it's a really big event for them. I know that some of the smaller branches have to work hard to raise enough money to provide the services that the county does not provide. Please include the Library in you budget

Than you,

Sue Carter

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