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Morro Bay City Council Awards Grants to Eleven local Non-Profit Organizations

Morro Bay, CA - The City Council approved issuance of \$51,344 in grant awards to local non-profit organizations. These funds will support 11 local non-profits that serve the Morro Bay community. Of the total amount, \$26,000 comes from the City's General Fund, and the remaining \$25,344 from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The ARPA funds will help non-profits directly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We are so pleased to be able to support our local non-profits who contribute significantly to the well-being of our community," offered Mayor John Heading.

All told, the eleven grant recipients serve the Morro Bay community in a variety of ways, to include:

- Senior services
- Art and culture
- Climate action
- Diversity and inclusion
- Youth services
- Small business support

"The pandemic significantly impacted our ability to provide our services to the Morro Bay community," said Morro Bay Art Association President Patricia Newton. "We are thankful for this City grant, which will allow us to continue to provide art enrichment and education activities to all ages in Morro Bay."

The grant awards were selected by City Council in the fall, following a review by a community panel. Awardees will receive their grant funds in the next several weeks.

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