



**Jesse Arreguin**  
Councilmember, District 4

CONSENT CALENDAR  
March 23, 2010

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Councilmember Jesse Arreguin  
Mayor Bates  
Subject: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds to Berkeley Congregations Organizing for Action

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of \$ 1,100 to the Berkeley Congregations Organizing for Action (BOCA) with funds relinquished to the City's general fund for this purpose from Councilmember Arreguin's discretionary Council Office Budget (\$1,000) and Mayor Bates discretionary Council Office Budget (\$100)

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

No General Fund impact; \$1,000 is available from Councilmember Arreguin's Council Office Budget discretionary account.

BACKGROUND

We are proposing that the City Council make a grant of \$ 1,100 to Berkeley Congregations Organizing for Action (BOCA) to help cover travel expenses for Berkeley youth to visit Washington DC to lobby for comprehensive immigration reform.

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Attachments:

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS FOR A GRANT TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SERVICES FOR A MUNICIPAL PUBLIC PURPOSE

WHEREAS, Councilmember Jesse Arreguin has surplus funds in his office expenditure account (budget code 010-0242-410-3510); and

WHEREAS, Mayor Bates has surplus funds in his office expenditure account (budget code 010-0101-410-3510); and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax exempt corporation Berkeley Congregations Organizing for Action seeks funds of \$ 1,100 to provide the following public services help cover travel expenses for Berkeley youth to visit Washington DC to lobby for comprehensive immigration reform; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services would fulfill the following municipal public purpose; to help fund travel expenses for Berkeley middle school and high school students to visit Washington DC to lobby Congressional leaders and to participate in events calling for comprehensive immigration reform; and

WHEREAS, the City of Berkeley has supported comprehensive immigration reform and is a Sanctuary City ensuring that the City of Berkeley does not work in collaboration with federal authorities to indentify and deport undocumented residents and supports the just treatment of all people including immigrants; and

WHEREAS, by helping fund the costs of Berkeley youth to travel to Washington DC it will promote civic education and awareness of local youth and will help advance the cause of immigration reform.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is authorized to execute a contract with Berkeley Congregations Organizing for Action not to exceed the amount of \$ 1,100 to fund travel expenses for Berkeley youth to visit Washington DC to lobby for comprehensive immigration reform.