

**LINDA MAIO**  
COUNCILMEMBER



**CONSENT CALENDAR**

November 27, 2018

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Councilmember Linda Maio and Councilmember Cheryl Davila

SUBJECT: Options Recovery Services: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Fund to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$500 per council member, including \$500 from Councilmember Maio, to the Options Recovery Services with funds relinquished to the city's general fund for this purpose from the discretionary council office budget of Councilmember Maio and any other council members who would like to contribute.

**BACKGROUND:**

Options Recovery Services is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit program, in the San Francisco Bay Area, providing over two decades of service to the community, helping to break the cycle of crime, broken families, and homelessness caused by addiction. Options recently signed an agreement with Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services to provide recovery residence services for up to twelve pregnant and/or newly delivered women in recovery from drug and/or alcohol abuse. Women in the perinatal recovery residence are provided a solid structure to build sober living skills and succeed in the community. Clients are required to participate in Options outpatient services for recovery and are required to attend house meetings and training classes, including trainings in parenting, anger management, and special medical needs. Nutrition and food preparation classes are specially designed for mothers in recovery.

Options is now starting a fundraising drive to raise money for a van to transport those perinatal clients and their children when other transportation is unavailable or inadequate, such as when medical emergencies arise.

More information: <http://www.optionsrecovery.org>

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

\$500 from Councilmember Maio's discretionary council office budget.

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

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

WHEREAS, Councilmember Maio has surplus funds in her office expenditure account; and

WHEREAS, a California non-profit tax-exempt corporation – Options Recovery Services – will receive funds in the amount of \$1000; and

WHEREAS, the provision of such services would fulfill the following municipal public purpose: Options Recovery Services is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit program, in the San Francisco Bay Area, has provided over two decades of service to the community, helping to break the cycle of crime, broken families, and homelessness caused by addiction; and

WHEREAS, Options recently signed an agreement with Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services to provide recovery residence services for up to twelve pregnant and/or newly delivered women in recovery from drug and/or alcohol abuse; and

WHEREAS, Options is now starting a fundraising drive to raise money for a van to transport those perinatal clients and their children when other transportation is unavailable or inadequate, such as when medical emergencies arise; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that funds relinquished by the Mayor and council members from their council office budget of up to \$500 per office shall be granted to Options Recovery Services.