

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/DIRECTION/ACTION - ADVANCE OF 2026
CERTAIN NON-PROFIT GRANTS AWARDS IN RESPONSE TO
SNAP BENEFITS UNCERTAINTY

DATE: NOVEMBER 10, 2025

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SUMMARY:

At their November 3rd City Council meeting, Staff was directed to return with the list of 2026 Non-Profit Grant Award Recipients that provide food assistance to the Louisville community, in response to uncertainty regarding Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits due to the Federal Shutdown.

BACKGROUND:

On September 19th, 2024 the Finance Committee convened to discuss, review, and recommend the 2025 and 2026 award cycle for the City's Non-Profit Grant program.

September 19th, 2024 Finance Committee Materials. [Link to Materials](#)

On November 4, 2024, the City Council awarded 12 recipients, totaling \$47,833 for each award cycle, 2025 and 2026.

The 2025-2026 City Operating Budget includes \$48,000 (2025) and \$48,000 (2026) for grants/contributions to non-profit agencies for each respective year. Found under account 101121-538420.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL:

N/A

ANALYSIS:

Staff has compiled the list of 2026 Awardees who provide food assistance. In total, six of the twelve recipients address food insecurity in some manner. The total amount of those six recipients is \$32,166. The remaining recipients will receive their awards in 2026 as scheduled and Council may also consider additional amounts for the grantees below.

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Grant Awardee	Amount (\$)
Boulder County Cultivate	\$2,667
Coal Creek Meals on Wheels	\$3,333
Community Food Share	\$3,333
Louisville Community Food Bank	\$1,333
Safehouse Progressive Alliance for Nonviolence	\$2,000
Sister Carmen Community Center (\$10,000 to remain earmarked for utility billing assistance)	\$19,500
Total	\$32,166

Staff has also heard that Boulder County is issuing a significant amount of funding to Community Food Share and another organization who supply food to many community organizations.

Based on Council interest, staff has reached out to Community Food Share and Sister Carmen who both anticipate having representatives available to provide a brief update on what they are experiencing and/or answer Council questions.

2025 COUNCIL WORK PLAN:

Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion – The item supports the City’s Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion efforts.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Budgeted?: **Yes**, this item is budgeted in the City’s 2026 Adopted Budget.

ALTERNATIVES:

Council may wish to consider a number of options:

- Advance the 2026 amount for the organizations listed above
- Advance the 2026 amounts as listed above and consider potential additional awards in a future conversation
- Advance all 2026 Non-Profit Grant Awards
- Issue all 2026 Non-Profit Grant Awards as scheduled in early 2026, consistent with prior years (staff issues grant award funding in February)

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Council provide clear direction in the form of a motion.

ATTACHMENT:

1. None

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATION