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TO: McKinney Economic Development Corporation
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McKinney Community Development Corporation Update

- **Promotional and Community Event Grants**
 - The next application period for Promotional and Community Event grants will be open May 1-30, 2025. Funding requests will be presented to the board at the June 26th meeting and voted on during the July 24th meeting.
- **Project Grants**
 - Applications for the second cycle of Project Grants were accepted March 1-31. Two grant applications were received.
 - Public hearings on the requests will be held at the April 24th meeting and voted on during the May 22nd meeting.

2025 MCDC Project Grants Cycle 2 Applications			
			Requested
4B 25-10	Direction 61:3	Construction of infrastructure and public access areas including Community Event Center, Recreational Areas, and a Coffee Shop and Market at The Farm. The Farm is a community of transitional living homes for 58 youths/young adults who have just aged out of foster care. Goal of The Farm is to build the confidence, independence and opportunity for the young adults living onsite.	\$ 500,000
4B 25-11	Heard Natural Science Museum	Upgrade four trails with Flex-Fine Base, a crushed rock and limestone powder variant that bonds to earth and creates a base layer that can withstand moisture, tolerate high levels of pedestrian traffic, and prevent the formation of holes and ruts on the surface. In addition, the outer loop trail will be upgraded to a poured concrete, 6' wide sidewalk making slopes and pedestrian passing more manageable. Switchback ramps will be added to the outer loop to more safely and easily ascend to landings and elevated spaces. Improvements will make outdoor exhibits and programs more accessible.	\$ 211,160
TOTAL			\$ 711,160

- **East McKinney Learning Garden**

- Grand opening will take place on Saturday, April 19th following City Hall grand opening event.

- **Retail Development Infrastructure Grants** - *Retail is defined as: storefronts/shops, restaurants, specialty food venues, event venues, salons, grocery stores, drug stores, etc.*

- Grants will fund infrastructure improvements for retail establishments or buildings housing retail enterprises that are **exterior to a property, necessary to promote or develop new or expanded business enterprises.**

- **2025 Retail Development Infrastructure Grants--Cycle I Applications**

			REQUEST	AWARD
RI25-01	SugarRush Holdings	Reposition grease trap to another location.	\$ 33,776	Not approved -
RI25-02	Cotton Mill	Construct sidewalk with security lighting to connect two parking lots to provide direct access to retail shops for pedestrians. Current path requires shoppers to walk in the street or cut through an event to access retail shops. Total project cost is \$31,660.	\$ 23,745	\$ 23,745
RI25-03	Samaritan Inn (InnStyle Resale Shop)	Construct wrought iron fencing to surround the perimeter of the Inn Style Resale Shop which is a vital source of revenue for the Samaritan Inn. Fencing would enhance security for shoppers, staff and volunteers; deter illegal dumping, theft, vandalism, and littering; reduce loitering, criminal activities, and burden on local law enforcement; improve appearance of the site; and boost revenues. Total cost of project is \$19,250.	\$ 10,800	\$ 9,450
			\$ 68,321.00	\$ 33,195.00

- **Upcoming events** supported by MCDC Promotional and Community Event Grants:

Every Saturday	Historic McKinney Farmers Market – 9 until noon
Apr 11-13	Arts in Bloom
Apr 25-26	Young Actors Guild: Romeo and Juliet
Apr 26	CC Master Gardeners: Spring Plant Show
May 2-3	McKinney Repertory Theatre: Deliver us from Mama
May 9-10	McKinney Repertory Theatre: Deliver us from Mama
June 7	CC Master Gardeners: A Walk In The Park
July 10-12	Young Actors Guild: Charlotte's Web
Aug 1-2	McKinney Repertory Theatre: Barefoot in the Park
Aug 8-9	McKinney Repertory Theatre: Barefoot in the Park
Aug 15-16	McKinney Repertory Theatre: Barefoot in the Park
Oct 25	CC Master Gardeners: Fall Plant Sale