



## Council Agenda Form

<b>MOTION #</b>	<b>DRAFT # 1</b>
<b>DATE SUBMITTED: 02/15/2022</b>	<b>DATE TO GO BEFORE COUNCIL:</b>
<b>SUBMITTED BY: Solomon</b>	
<b>CO-SPONSORS:</b>	
<b>DEPARTMENT: Legislative</b>	
<b>TITLE: ARPA/FY24 Budget Initiative - City Scholarships for City Camps</b>	

### RECOMMENDATION:

I move that the Mayor and Council provide HVL scholarship to K-5<sup>th</sup> grade residents who need financial assistance. The recipients will be able to attend year-round one-day camps, winter, spring, and summer camps.

### SUMMARY BACKGROUND:

Currently, there is no financial assistance for low-income families who need to access camps that include aftercare services during the school year and summer time. In Prince George's County, the percentage of students receiving free or reduced meals ranged from 0%-96%, with a median value of 63.63%. Within Hyattsville, Edward M. Felegy Elementary School alone has a rate of 89.07% free and reduced meals. Felegy Elementary serves predominantly Latino and African American students and ranks low for academic progress, and test scores. Felegy Elementary also has high percentages of economically disadvantaged and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) students (52%) (Maryland Report Card, 2021). According to the most recent available data, the school scored 6.2 points out of 20 on academic achievement: 11.4% of students were proficient in Math, and 21.3% of students were proficient in Language Arts (Maryland Report Card, 2019).

93.3% of Rosa Parks Elementary School students are on free and reduced meals.  
75% of Hyattsville Elementary School Students are on free and reduce meals.

**ANTICIPATED STAFF RESOURCES REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT:**

Require the youth staff to create a scholarship application, review the income requirement, approve applications, and send scholarship notifications. This will be an added duty to the director of community services and youth manager. This program will also need the support of communications to assist with social media and outreach.

**NEXT STEPS:**

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**CITY ADMINISTRATOR / DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR COMMENT:**

N/A

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION:****FISCAL IMPACT:****COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:**

CSD will disseminate the scholarship information to all schools, churches and the HVL community.

**STRATEGIC GOALS AND ACTIONS:**

Goal 3 - Promote a Safe and Vibrant Community

**LEGAL REVIEW REQUIRED?**

N/A