

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM
NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION DEPARTMENT**

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: David D. Garza, Director, Neighborhood Action Department

THROUGH: Terry M. Brechtel, City Manager

COPIES: Jelynn LeBlanc Burley, Assistant City Manager; File

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Grant Funds from Kelly USA

DATE: August 14, 2003

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This ordinance authorizes the acceptance of a grant award in the amount of \$1,275.00 from Kelly USA to the City of San Antonio, Neighborhood Action Department (NAD) for the purchase of paint and painting supplies necessary to implement community service projects requested through the Neighborhood Target Sweep Program in Council Districts 4 and 6; establishing a fund and approving a program budget.

Staff recommends the approval of this ordinance.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City's Neighborhood Target Sweep Program coordinates 24 Neighborhood Sweeps each fiscal year. Two sweeps are held in each Council District, with four additional sweeps being held within the CRAG target area. Each Neighborhood Sweep brings together a wide range of comprehensive, multi-departmental teams of City services in partnership with community based organizations to address specific needs of each targeted area served. This approach provides an immediate concentration of needed services in a 50-60 block area over a two week period. NAD provides up to six months of follow up with residents to address concerns identified during the two-week Neighborhood Sweep period.

Additionally, NAD staff coordinates community service projects within each targeted area in response to community input, empowering residents to seek new avenues of neighborhood based problem solving. In the current fiscal year, NAD has coordinated over 150 such community service projects, working with a total of 345 volunteers to complete 2,150 hours of volunteer work in the community. Projects include graffiti abatement, vacant lot abatement, alley clean up, planting of trees and community gardens, and painting of homes for elderly or disabled residents.

In an effort to partner with neighborhood businesses, NAD solicits in-kind donations and contributions throughout the year. These items include paint and painting supplies to complete its house-painting projects. In October 2002, NAD received a grant of \$20,000 from the Annie E. Casey Foundation to purchase equipment for a Community Tool Shed to coordinate projects with community groups and neighborhood organizations. A portion of these funds was budgeted to purchase ladders and extension poles to complete volunteer service painting projects.

POLICY ANALYSIS

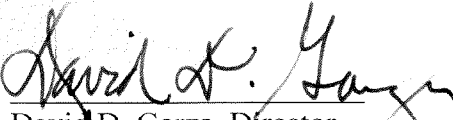
This item is consistent with the Neighborhood Action Department's mission to identify partnerships to better serve the needs of communities and promote neighborhood revitalization. The \$1,275.00 grant from Kelly USA will be utilized to purchase paint and painting supplies such as brushes and roller covers to paint 10 homes for the elderly or disabled in our sweep neighborhoods.


FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund with this item. Funds will be used to purchase supplies during Fiscal Year 2003 - 2004.

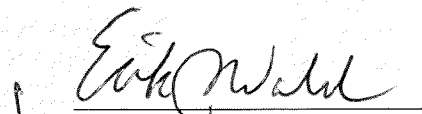
COORDINATION

This item has been coordinated with the City Manager's Office and the City Attorney's Office.


David D. Garza, Director
Neighborhood Action Department


Jelynn LeBlanc Burley
Assistant City Manager

Approved:


Terry M. Brechtel
City Manager

**KELLY USA
GRANT BUDGET**

Tools, Apparatus, and Accessories (paint brushes, trays, scrapers)
\$325

Other Commodities (paint)
\$950