

COVER SHEET – AGENDA ITEM #R1

For Commission Meeting: January 23, 2017

“Preliminary Funding Decisions for the 2017 Community Technology Grants”

The Commission allocated about \$800,000 to grant in the 2017 competitive grant cycle under the Community Technology Grants program.

Under separate cover, Commissioners received information for its decision-making process, including the grant Pre-Applications and evaluation instructions.

Background

The Commission’s decision-making process is as follows:

1. 12 Pre-Applications were received by the Dec. 6 deadline; 10 Pre-Applications met the grant eligibility criteria and were forwarded on to the Commission for review.
2. Each Commissioner reads, evaluates and scores each Pre-Application in preparation for the January 23 meeting.
3. At the January 23 meeting, the MHCRC will decide which Pre-Applications it would like to invite to apply for funding within the approximate \$800,000 funding guideline.
4. Selected applicants are invited to fill out a full online grant application.
5. MHCRC staff drafts grant contracts for applicants who have successfully completed an online grant application to staff’s satisfaction. Not all applicants who are selected in the Pre-Application process will necessarily receive a grant award.
6. The MHCRC approves grant contracts.

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