



City of Racine, Wisconsin  
Agenda Briefing Memorandum

**AGENDA DATE:**

CDBG Advisory Board – May 8, 2023  
Common Council – May 16, 2023

**SUBJECT:**

Communication sponsored by Mayor Mason to fund Racine Literacy Councils Summer Dip Program with Community Development Block Grant – Corona Virus (CDBG-CV) funds.

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**BACKGROUND & ANALYSIS:**

Racine Literacy Council has created a pilot summer program that accelerates and combines their traditional learning programs referred to as the Racine Literacy Council Summer Dip Program. This program was created in response to the Corona Virus Pandemic. Observations by RLC staff have shown the need for focused programs during the summer. During a nine week summer period the Racine Literacy Council offers a compressed course of the following regular programs:

- English Language Learners
- Adult Basic Education students
- Citizenship preparation
- Computer Literacy

The requested amount of funding is \$10,255 which will cover the following aspects of the Summer Dip Program:

- Materials, supplies, books,
- Educational trips
- Bilingual Assistant (\$5,184 May-June)

**BUDGETARY IMPACT:**

There is sufficient CDBG-CV money to fund the staff recommendation of the Racine Literacy Council of up to \$10,255.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Staff recommends that the CDBG Advisory Board recommends approval of up to \$10,255 in CDBG-CV funds.