

**City Council
Agenda Item 11.C
Meeting of December 8, 2025**



Title: Minnesota Chiefs of Police Foundation (MCPF) Community Partnership Grant

Report from: Rachel Meehan, Police Captain

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Darin Nelson, Finance Director
Erik Nilsson, City Attorney
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Presenter: Rachel Meehan, Police Captain

Action Requested: Motion

Form of Action: Resolution

Votes needed: 5 votes

Summary Statement

The Minnetonka Police Department has been awarded a \$2,000 grant from the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Foundation to support the implementation of a Student Multicultural Advisory Committee (SMAC) at Hopkins High School, in partnership with the Hopkins Police Department. The SMAC will provide a structured and supportive space for students and school staff to share input on community concerns. This feedback will help guide safety priorities and planning, with the overall goal of strengthening relationships and building trust among students, school staff, and law enforcement.

Recommended Action

Motion to adopt the resolution accepting the grant award.

Strategic Plan Relatability

Safe & Healthy Community

This grant will support the implementation of a Student Multicultural Advisory Committee, directly advancing our Safe and Healthy Community strategic priority. By engaging diverse students and staff, the program creates supportive spaces for youth and law enforcement to connect, build trust, and elevate student voices. This collaboration will strengthen relationships, promote equity, and enhance community well-being.

Financial Consideration

No

The grant is expected to fully fund the Student Multicultural Advisory Committee and all costs associated with its implementation.

Background

The Minnetonka Police Department launched its first Student Multicultural Advisory Committee (SMAC) at Hopkins High School in 2024; however, the initial effort was limited in scope. By partnering with the Hopkins Police Department this year, both agencies will be able to dedicate additional staff time and resources to expand and strengthen the program. Although Hopkins High School is located in Minnetonka, its student body is largely comprised of students from both Hopkins and Minnetonka, and both police departments regularly engage with Hopkins Public Schools. A collaborative approach between the school and both police departments will provide a more unified and consistent support system for addressing concerns and supporting students across the communities they serve.

The goals of SMAC are to affirm youth perspectives by ensuring student voices help guide leadership decisions and community priorities; empower youth advocacy and engagement to build trust and strengthen relationships among students, school staff, law enforcement, and the broader community; and provide resources and educational opportunities that support student growth and community well-being.

Grant funds will be used to provide resources and experiences for student members, helping to encourage sustained engagement from both students and school staff, as well as food and beverages for meetings.

ATTACHMENTS:

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