

IMPACT STATEMENT

Legislation title: *Authorize a grant agreement with Write Around Portland, in an amount not to exceed \$7,500 for their creative writing for underserved populations program. (Ordinance)

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Purpose of proposed legislation and background information:

This legislation will be in the form of a fiscal year 2017-2018, special appropriations grant to Write Around Portland, in the amount of \$7,500. These funds will be used to support their creative writing workshops for underserved populations.

Financial and budgetary impacts:

Funding for this grant is available in the FY2017-18 budget in the General Fund Special Appropriations.

Community impacts and community involvement:

This legislation will fund Write Around Portland's creative writing workshops that will take place throughout the Portland Metro area. Write Around Portland believes that everyone can be a writer and that the entire community benefits when writers' voices are added to the literary cannon of the city. This organization has been at the forefront of using art, specifically writing, as a means of social change. Research shows that writing can be a powerful tool for individual and societal transformation and Write Around Portland believes that in every life, there is a vital need for writing as a means of expression.

100% Renewable Goal:

This action does not increase or decrease the City's total energy use nor does it increase or decrease the City's renewable energy use.

Budgetary Impact Worksheet

Does this action change appropriations?

- ☐ **YES:** Please complete the information below.
☒ **NO:** Skip this section

Fund	Fund Center	Commitment Item	Functional Area	Funded Program	Grant	Sponsored Program	Amount