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Executive Director



London N. Breed
Mayor

MEMO

June 1, 2022

To: DCYF Grantees and Staff

From: Maria Su

RE: Memo from the Executive Director: Follow Up on City's New Behested Payment Ordinance

Dear CBO partners,

On May 20th, I issued a [Memo](#) to all DCYF grantees explaining that Mayor Breed directed City Departments to temporarily pause solicitations for philanthropic funding and to seek guidance from the City Attorney's Office to ensure that we were following the City's new Behested Payment Ordinance. The most urgent donations that needed analysis and review were the ones for our Summer Together Initiative. I want to share an update on where we are now.

As of this afternoon, I have received guidance and advice from both our City Attorney's Office and the Ethics Commission for our Summer Together solicitations. After a careful and thorough review, both entities are allowing DCYF to move forward with accepting philanthropic funding as a grant to DCYF, via the Accept and Expend process, for our Summer Together Initiative.

As I stated from the beginning, I wanted to be open and fully transparent with you about what I and DCYF was facing. Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we worked to understand the impact of this new ordinance on our fundraising efforts.

In Community,
Maria Su, Psy.D.