

September 22, 2015

Luis Herrera City Librarian San Francisco Public Library 100 Larkin Street San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Luis,

On behalf of our Board of Directors, I am pleased to inform you that Friends of the San Francisco Public Library has approved funding for all of the requests you submitted for Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

Included in this total is \$325,000 in direct funding for programs that Friends has traditionally supported in the past, along with new initiatives, discretionary funding for staff development and consulting, grants for branch libraries and grants for innovative programs throughout the system.

We are pleased to approve the Innovation Grants you requested; this \$20,000 will seed the launch of a mobile hotspot lending pilot program as well as the "Tech on the Go" curriculum to be delivered by your exciting new Techmobile.

We further agree to your suggestion that the Grants to Branches funding totaling \$13,500 will be used in alignment of the Library's diversity and programming priorities to provide consistent and targeted support for key initiatives.

We have also included \$51,700 for Friends' Initiatives that will support *One City One Book* and the publication *At the Library*.

In addition to the direct grants mentioned above, \$327,800 will be available through donor-designated funds which Friends holds in trust for your use. As in past years, we look forward to receiving an estimate of the amount you plan to use and the estimated timeline for expenditures when you are able to develop it. Please recall that we are asking for quarterly estimates for use of these funds to enable us to calculate our cash flow needs.

We look forward to working with you to strategize on how to build sustainability into vital programs that would otherwise not be offered and to focus attention on your excellent staff and the wonderful work they do.

Funds granted in this cycle have become available at the beginning of the new fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2015. We appreciate the assessment and reporting done by you and your staff during the course of the past year to measure and reflect their impact, both on the library and the community which it serves. This information helps Friends seek additional funding of these programs, and also gives our Board and donors a clear and compelling picture of the effects of their generosity.

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We look forward to Friends being acknowledged on all materials developed through our funding as well as at programs in the libraries and to continue to receive any evaluations or other measures of the programs. This information will help us make the case to funders that libraries are a sound investment of their philanthropic dollars.

Thank you for this opportunity to support San Francisco Public Library—the City's greatest public asset. We look forward to an exciting year!

Best regards,

Deborah Doyle

Executive Director (Acting)

Cc: Catherine King, Chair, Library Support Committee