



City Council Sponsorship Funding Request

Councilor Requesting Sponsorship: Councilmember Charles Dukes **Date:** July 29, 2024

Event Name: Grace Baca 5k

Date: September 21, 2024

Location: Reunion Park

Amount: \$2,000

Current Year Misc Sponsorship Budget: \$42,700 **Balance of Budget:** \$23,350

Account#: 010-21-201-734-003 Non-City Agency Grant Program Non-City Agency Grants

Function or activity is of benefit to the City of Commerce City?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Is in the public interest or serves a public purpose?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Expenditure not already funded in Legislative Budget?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Expenditure is for campaign purposes or for attendance at a partisan political event <i>(a violation of the Fair Campaign Practices Act.)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Sponsorship Information:

Supporting the Art of Dance

As a nonprofit organization, the Grace Baca Foundation is dedicated to empowering dancers of all ages and backgrounds. Our mission is centered on providing resources, opportunities, and encouragement to aspiring dancers, enabling them to pursue their passion and achieve their full potential. Our foundation has provided more than \$3,000 worth of scholarships within the first few months of inception. Our goal is to provide access to the art of dance to children of all ages and abilities at the studio of their choice.

Traumatic Brain Injury Survivor Assistance

Join us in advocating for awareness that can help create a better future for victims of Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI). Unintentional injuries, including motor vehicle accidents, are the leading cause of death in children. Of all the types of TBIs, brain injuries are the most likely to result in death or



permanent disability. We will work effortlessly to support and aid adolescent survivors of TBIs while also advocating for change to ensure reckless drivers are held responsible for their actions. Despite a lengthy criminal record, the man convicted of causing the accident that tragically took Gracie's life was only charged with a misdemeanor resulting in 30 days of jail time. During the time period between causing Gracie's fatal accident and pleading guilty in an Adams County Court, this specific driver was also charged with driving under the influence. We must protect our children by advocating to keep multiple offenders off the road and educating our community on TBIs.

This money is requested to support the Second Annual Graces Memorial 5k. The second annual Graces Memorial 5K, a heartfelt event dedicated to celebrating the life of Grace. Whether you're running, walking, or cheering from the sidelines, your participation honors their memory and supports a meaningful cause.