

TOWN OF LOS GATOS COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

DATE:	March 17, 2025
TO:	Mayor and Town Council
FROM:	Chris Constantin, Town Manager
SUBJECT:	Discuss the Impacts of Recent Executive Orders on the Town's Federal Funding and Grants

REMARKS:

Attachment 2 contains a revised Town Federal Funding table to include years awarded as well as the additional services to the Library.

Attachment received with the Staff report:

1. Town Federal Funding

Attachment received with this Addendum:

2. Town Federal Funding - Revised

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FEDERALLY FUNDED GRANTS AND ASSSISTANCE PROGRAMS						
NAME OF PROGRAM	<u>GRANTING</u> <u>AGENCY</u>	DESCRIPTION OF GRANT	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>GRANT</u> <u>AMOUNT</u>	AMOUNT EXPENDED TO DATE	AMOUNT EXPENDED BUT NOT REIMBURSED	AMOUNT NOT YET RECEIVED
OBAG 2	Federal Highway Administration	Grant for construction of the Los Gatos Creek Trail Connector the Highway 9 Project. Awarded in 2023.	\$6,193,000	\$5,000,000	\$2,809,000	\$4,002,000
Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG)	CalOES / FEMA	Funding for the purpose of sustaining and improving comprehensive emergency management programs. Historically, this is a recurring grant awarded annually.	\$15,300	\$11,129	\$11,129	\$15,300
FEMA HMGP Open Space Management	CalOES / FEMA	Vegetation Management in Town owned Open Space. Awarded in 2019.	Grant: \$1,502,121 Town Match: \$500,707	Grant: \$44,192 Town Match: \$16,565	\$21,706	\$1,479,121
FEMA HMGP Roadside Vegetation Management	CalOES / FEMA	Roadside Vegetation Management. Awarded in 2021.	Grant: \$1,467,388 Town Match: \$489,130	\$0	\$0	\$1,467,388
USDA Roadside Vegetation Management	US Forest Service	Roadside Vegetation Management. Awarded in 2022.	Grant: \$750,000 Town Match: \$750,000	Grant: \$0 Town Match: \$186,300	\$0	\$750,000

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Library E-Rate		This program provides subsidy to significantly reduce the cost of the Library's Broadband internet, including offsetting costs of hardware replacement, upkeep of servers, and maintenance of fiber connections. Historically, this is a recurring grant awarded annually.	\$8,500	\$1,600	\$0	\$6,900
Library Services Act Grant for Ebooks		This grant provides funding to acquire e-books for public use. Awarded in 2024.	\$4,900	\$0	\$0	\$4,900

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Act Grants for Zipbooks, Early Learning, and	Museum of Library Services funds administered by the California State	Various competitive grants that the Library typically applies for and receives to bolster services for programs and collections. Awarded in 2023.	\$43,500	43,500	\$0	\$0
		TOTAL	\$9,984,709	\$5,100,421	\$2,841,835	\$7,725,609

In addition, the Library receives multiple services that are paid for at the State level to support California's Public Libraries using Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) funds. On March 14, an Executive Order eliminated the functions and personnel for several federal agencies to the extend allowed by law, including IMLS. As a preventive measure, in February, the State Library asked for an immediate drawdown of remaining federal IMLS funds owed to the State, which presently ensures continuation of funding of these programs through the end of this fiscal year. However, either though the elimination of IMLS or through non-renewal of funding for FY25-26, the following services would likely either be cut without replacement, or severely diminished in terms of utility to Los Gatos:

Pacific Library Partnership – A collective of Bay Area Libraries that negotiate volume vendor discounts on our behalf, as well as provide interlibrary delivery of materials, local staff training, and other administrative services that absorb some impact on Library staffing.

Braille and vision impaired resources – These resources are purchased and maintained at the State Level with our Library able to request and access collections freely for our community members with vision impairments.

California Revealed – Digitization of the Library's historical archives and hosting of files for public research.

Palace Project EBooks – Statewide shared e-book collection gives our community access to over 150,000 additional ebook titles at no direct cost to us.

Statewide electronic resource subscriptions – This includes the public subscription to the NY Times and 14 other research and resource databases.

Library staff training – Library staff can participate in multiple workshops and trainings both in person and on-line that are provided to us at little or no cost. For FY24-25, various Library staff members have participated in 46 different trainings and workshops at no cost to us covering subjects ranging from AI, to grant writing, to neurodiverse youth.