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City of San Diego Helps Residents and Business Owners Obtain Unclaimed Money

MORE THAN \$830,000 IS READY TO BE CLAIMED

SAN DIEGO – The City of San Diego is urging anyone who did business with the City to check and see if they might be owed a refund or payment. According to the City's Unclaimed Monies Report, there is \$833,165 in unclaimed monies that can be returned to more than 900 people and businesses. Check amounts range from \$1 to \$80,600. Updated quarterly and free of charge, anyone can review the <u>Unclaimed Monies Report</u> at any time or <u>file a claim</u>.

Unclaimed monies are checks owed to people or businesses due to refunds or vendor payments. The City regularly issues checks based on the addresses it has on file and, on occasion, receives returned checks that are undeliverable by the U.S. Postal Service. Checks that are returned to the City and remain uncashed after six months become unclaimed monies.

"Many of the people on the Unclaimed Monies Report may not be aware, and an unexpected check from the City of San Diego may help their financial situation," said Roma Nichols, Disbursements Manager with the Department of Finance. "We encourage the public to visit the City website and search for their name or business name to see if you are owed money."

Last year, the City returned approximately \$262,000 to 50 recipients listed on the Unclaimed Monies Report, representing only 22% of the returned unclaimed monies. The average claim was \$4,800.

Payees have approximately one year after check issuance to claim their money. For checks issued before April 1, 2022, the last day to submit a claim is Monday, June 19, 2023. Unclaimed funds will be transferred to the City of San Diego General Fund on July 1, 2023. To search for unclaimed money or to file a claim, visit <u>sandiego.gov/finance/unclaimed</u>.

To submit a claim, print and complete the <u>Unclaimed Monies Form</u> and mail it to:

City of San Diego, Department of Finance Unclaimed Monies Claim Processing 202 C St. – Mail Station 7A San Diego, CA 92101

Once the claim is verified, a check will be issued in three to four weeks. Questions about unclaimed monies may be submitted to <u>DoF@sandiego.gov</u> or 619-236-6310.