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May 7, 2024

**ORDERED:**

That Superintendent's Recommendation #24-097 Grant Award, be adopted as follows: that the School Committee accept and approve the grant award below in the amount and for the period indicated:

Afghan Refugee Support (SC24779) Federal through State, allocation in the amount of \$28,000.00 for the period of February 28, 2024 to August 31, 2024

Description: The purpose of the DESE Afghan Refugee Support grant is to enhance eligible (6 or more Afghan refugee or newcomer students as of October 2023) school districts' capacity to promote the academic performance and successful integration of Afghan newcomer students. Grant funds will support:

- Adding an English as a Second or Other Language in-person class at Cambridge Community Learning Center and virtual option led by CPS for caregivers and adult siblings of Afghan newcomer students and other CPS families;
- Additional teacher for MLE summer program to support eligible students;
- PocketTalk translation devices for all classroom teachers, school office staff, family liaisons, MLE staff etc. who are supporting eligible students;
- Take home literacy kits for eligible students.

A true copy:

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Katherine Christo".

Katherine Christo

Confidential Secretary to the Cambridge School Committee

c: Superintendent