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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: October 16, 2018

DATE: September 12, 2018

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Dave Solaro, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$2,677] for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; District 4 Commissioner Vaughn Hartung recommends [\$1,500] grant to the Knights of Columbus Ponderosa Charities to support Matthew Cummings' Eagle Scout Project, and a [\$1,177] grant to the Children's Cabinet to support the Art of the Childhood event, approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds. (Commission District 4.)

SUMMARY

This item requests the Board to approve a resolution and transfer/disburse allocating district funds in the [total amount of \$2,677]

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

No previous action taken during the Fiscal Year 2018-2019.

BACKGROUND

Modification of guidelines and adoption of resolution for County Commission District Special Funding on February 10, 2015 created Commission District Special Funds for each Commission District. On May 22, 2018 the Board of County Commissioners approved the 18-19 Fiscal year budget with special district funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$20,000. The monies appropriated are to support needs for all Washoe County residents.

Funds appropriated through the Commission District Special Funds must provide substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. The recipient must be a non-profit organization, created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, or a government entity. Funds shall not provide any personal or private benefit for the Commissioners, direction or indirectly benefit any campaign efforts by a commission, violate Ethics in Government law, or be used to purchase tickets to special events.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Commissioner Hartung has elected to support the following organization in fiscal year 2018-19:

District 4:

Knights of Columbus Ponderosa Charities [\$1,500] – The Knights of Columbus Ponderosa Charities became the Charter Owner of the Troup 14 Scout Unit of the Boy Scouts of America in January 2018. The Boy Scouts of America for over 100 years have been developing the skills of young men who at the highest level earn an Eagle Scout. Every Eagle is required by Boy Scouts of America to complete a community project before he turns 18 as part of his Board of Review. This grant will support Matthew Cummings Eagle Scout project, lock down emergency kits, that will be employed in his High School and will serve as a model for both the School District and private educational institutions.

Children’s Cabinet [\$1,177] - The Children’s Cabinet exists to keep children safe and families together by offering services and resources that address unmet needs, through a unique and effective cooperative effort between the private sector and public agencies in Nevada. The Children’s Cabinet hosts annually the Art of Childhood event which supports Children’s Cabinet programming to include services for children and families in Washoe County. The funds raised from the event this year will be used to provide no-cost family counseling services to children and families in our community. This grant will support the Children’s Cabinet by offsetting the local government permitting fees for the business licensing of the Art of Childhood event, an outdoor festival in unincorporated Washoe County.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds have been included in the FY 2018-2019 approved budget under Commission District Constituent cost centers: District 4 – 100104/710400. This action requests approval and distribution of a [total of \$2,677] as outlined.

Expense Disbursements are required as follows:

Knights of Columbus Ponderosa Charities, Inc.	\$1,500
Children’s Cabinet	\$1,177

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$2,677] for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; District 4 Commissioner Vaughn Hartung recommends [\$1,500] grant to the Knights of Columbus Ponderosa Charities to support Matthew Cummings’ Eagle Scout Project, and a [\$1,177] grant to the Children’s Cabinet to support the Art of the Childhood event, approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be:
“Move to approve the Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$2,677] for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; District 4 Commissioner Vaughn Hartung recommends [\$1,500] grant to the Knights of Columbus Ponderosa Charities to support Matthew Cummings’ Eagle Scout Project, and a [\$1,177] grant to the Children’s Cabinet to support the Art of the Childhood event, approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds.”