



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: February 12, 2019

DATE: January 3, 2019

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept the FY19 Senior Mental Health subaward from the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) to provide mental health support for seniors in the amount of [\$75,000; no county match] retroactively from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to execute the grant documents; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The Human Services Agency recommends that the Board accept the FY19 Senior Mental Health subaward from the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) to provide mental health support for seniors in the amount of [\$75,000; no county match] retroactively from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to execute the grant documents; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments..

Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

On November 28, 2017, item 12, the Board authorized acceptance of the \$75,000 in federal funds, through the DPBH to provide mental health support for seniors.

BACKGROUND

Retroactive approval is requested as the Agency received the Notice of Sub-Grant Award from the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health on December 27, 2018.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

The 60+ senior population is the fastest growing age group in Washoe County, projected to reach 100,000 people by 2020. Many seniors live in the unincorporated areas of Washoe County, making socialization, access to services and engagement in programs challenging.

Washoe County Human Services Agency (WCHSA)'s Senior Services Division has experienced a number of incidences that highlight a continued need for mental health services and infrastructure for seniors, specifically the ability to immediately respond to mental health needs of seniors in our community. As the senior population grows WCHSA frequently encounters seniors who have exhibited suicidal thoughts, aggression, agitation, depression, cognitive decline, and substance abuse.

Previously, WCHSA had received grant funding to provide mental health services to seniors from the Aging and Disability Services Division for FY 2006/07 through FY 2009/10. In FY 2017/18, WCHSA received funding to reinstate the mental health services that were discontinued in FY 2009/10 due to grant support ending as a result of the recession.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Mental Health Support for Seniors

Scope of Project: To provide mental health support for seniors suffering from serious mental illness needing treatment, case management, rehabilitation and other support services to better function in the community.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Enhanced safety and well-being of seniors.

On-Going Program Support: HSA will seek on-going funding support through the federally funded Community Mental Health Block grant, managed as a pass-through from DPBH.

Award Amount:	\$75,000
Grant Period:	October 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019
Funding Source:	Community Mental Health Block Grant – CMHS
Pass through Entity:	State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public & Behavioral Health
CFDA Number:	93.958
Grant ID Number:	HD #16901
Match Amount and Type:	No Match Required

Sub-Awards and Contracts: The Agency will contract for mental health services through the County’s procurement process, in compliance with the Procurement Policy, Grants Manual, and 2 CFR 200.

FISCAL IMPACT

This award includes \$0 of indirect costs. Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the Human Services Agency’s FY19 adopted budget will be amended as follows:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount of Increase/(Decrease)</u>
IO 11553 -431100	Federal Revenue	\$ 75,000.00
	Total Revenue	\$ 75,000.00
 IO 11553 -710100	 Professional Services	 \$ 71,575.00
-710300	Operating Supplies	\$ 3,181.00
-710509	Seminars and Meetings	\$ 244.00
	Total Expenditures	\$ 75,000.00

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept the FY19 Senior Mental Health subaward from the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) to provide mental health support for seniors in the amount of [\$75,000; no county match] retroactively from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to execute the grant documents; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget amendments..

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with the staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: “Move to accept the FY19 Senior Mental Health subaward from the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) to provide mental health support for seniors in the amount of [\$75,000; no county match] retroactively from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to execute the grant documents; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget amendments.”