



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: June 19, 2018

DATE: May 21, 2018
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Gabrielle Enfield, County Grants Administrator
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THROUGH: Christine Vuletich, Assistant County Manager
SUBJECT: Approve a grant award for FY 2018-19 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of [\$10,000]; and grant awards from FY2017-2018 funds for Artown in the amount of [\$25,000]; and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of [\$10,000]; and approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget appropriation transfers. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

Washoe County provides grants to address special community needs. As with all grants provided by Washoe County these funds can only be provided to a private organization, not for profit, or to a governmental entity, for charitable or educational purposes, and must provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. Grant awards for FY 2017-2018: Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) \$10,000; Artown \$25,000; and the Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.

Strategic Objectives and Outcomes supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Health Communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

June 13, 2017, the Board of County Commissions approved grant award for FY 2017-2018 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000; and grant awards from FY2016-2017 funds for Artown in the amount of \$25,000; Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000; and Education Alliance of Washoe County in the amount of \$9,213.

June 21, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners approve grant awards for FY 2016-2017 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000; Artown in the amount of \$25,000; and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.

On August 25, 2015 the Board of County Commissioners approved a Grant Program Contract FY 2015-2016 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

BACKGROUND

Historically, Washoe County has made Community Support funds available to local community based providers to support services that address diverse health and human service needs in the community, or contribute to economic development and quality of life issues.

Below are a summary of the Community Support planned budget for FY18, and a summary of Silver State Fair Housing Council, Artown, and the Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT FY2019:

Mandated Support:

- Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Compact \$36,000
- Silver State Fair Housing \$10,000

Economic Development:

- EDAWN \$41,300
- Tahoe Prosperity Center \$10,000
- Western Nevada Development District \$7,500

Grant Awards Funded with FY17-18 budgeted funds:

- Artown 2018 \$25,000
- Reno Tahoe Open 2018 \$10,000

Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC)

SSFHC is a nonprofit that works to ensure equal housing opportunity for all residents of northern Nevada. Washoe County has provided funding to SSFHC, since 1998 to support a variety of services including development and dissemination of informational materials and education to increase community awareness of housing discrimination, Fair Housing Act protections, and fair housing rights and responsibilities.

As a recipient of federal grants from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washoe County is required to demonstrate efforts to further fair housing standards in our community. SSFHC seeks to increase community awareness of housing discrimination by providing community members with information to detect and report housing discrimination, and by educating housing providers about fair housing rights and responsibilities. Successful fair housing advocacy through community awareness provides a substantial benefit to residents of Washoe County by ensuring that equal housing opportunity is available to all residents.

Artown

Artown is a nonprofit that works to encourage local artist participation and highlight the best performers in northern Nevada. Additionally, they exist to market and promote these arts events locally, regionally, and nationally as a premier arts festival. Artown, a month-long summer arts festival, features about 500 events produced by more than 100 organizations and businesses in nearly 100 locations.

Reno Tahoe Open Foundation

The Reno Tahoe Open Foundation is a nonprofit that works to conduct a PGA TOUR sanctioned professional golf tournament that will:

1. Contribute positively to the quality of life in our community
2. Provide growing annual financial contributions to charity
3. Promote volunteerism, and
4. Provide a positive economic impact to the community.

Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation has a significant economic impact for the Reno/Tahoe region and highlights this stunning region as a world class golf destination through national and international media coverage.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for the SSFHC award have been included in the Community Support Program within the Management Services Division’s FY2018-19 approved budget under cost center 181100. Should the Board approve these grant funds, budget appropriation transfers are needed as follows:

Account Number	Description	Amount Increase/ (Decrease)
181100 – 710400	Pymts to Other Agencies	(10,000)
60044 – 710400	Pymts to Other Agencies	10,000

Funds for Artown and the Reno Tahoe Open Foundation awards have been included in the Community Support Program within the Management Services Division’s FY2017-18 approved budget under cost center 183110. Should the Board approve these grant funds, distribution of funds are needed as follows:

Account Number	Description	Amount
183110 – 710400	Payment to Artown	25,000
183110 – 710400	Payment to Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation	10,000

RECOMMENDATION

Approve a grant award for FY 2018-19 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of \$10,000; and grant awards from FY2017-2018 funds for Artown in the amount of \$25,000; and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board accept staff's recommendation a possible motion would be: move to *"Approve a grant award for FY 2018-19 for Silver State Fair Housing Council (SSFHC) in the amount of [\$10,000]; and grant awards from FY2017-2018 funds for Artown in the amount of [\$25,000]; and Reno-Tahoe Open Foundation in the amount of [\$10,000]."*