



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: April 14, 2020

**DATE:** March 30, 2020

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**THROUGH:** Dave Solaro, Assistant County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement in the amount of [\$10,000] for Fiscal Year 2019-2020; District 2 Commissioner Bob Lucey recommends a [\$5,000] grant to the Community Foundation of Western Nevada to support the Food for Heroes Fund; a [\$5,000] grant to the Friends of Washoe County Library to support the South Valleys Library STEAM Program; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds. (Commission District 2)

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### **SUMMARY**

This item requests the Board to approve resolutions and disburse district funds in the total amount of [\$10,000] for Commission District 2.

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

### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

No previous action taken during Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

### **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 21, 2019 the Board of County Commissioners approved the 2019-2020 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

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not provide any personal or private benefit for the Commissioners, directly or indirectly benefit any campaign efforts by a commissioner, violate Ethics in Government law, or be used to purchase tickets to special events.

Commissioner Lucey has elected to support the following organization in fiscal year 2019-2020:

- [\$5,000] to the Community Foundation of Western Nevada - Food for Heroes Fund. The Community Foundation of Western Nevada's mission is to strengthen our community through philanthropy and leadership by connecting people who care with causes that matter. The Food for Heroes Fund was created by a group of Reno restaurant owners who have joined forces to serve meals to local ERs and first responders during the Covid 19 pandemic.
- [\$5,000] to the Friends of Washoe County Library. This grant will support STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) related programs and services for kids, teens, and adults at the South Valleys Library.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Sufficient FY20 budget authority exists within the Cost Center District 2 Constituents (C100102) and account Payments to other Agencies (710400). This action requests approval and distribution of a [total of \$10,000] to the Community Foundation of Western Nevada and the Friends of Washoe County Library.

Expense Disbursements are required as follows:

- Community Foundation of Western Nevada- \$5,000
- Friends of Washoe County Library- \$5,000

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement in the amount of [\$10,000] for Fiscal Year 2019-2020; District 2 Commissioner Bob Lucey recommends a [\$5,000] grant to the Community Foundation of Western Nevada to support the Food for Heroes Fund; a [\$5,000] grant to the Friends of Washoe County Library to support the South Valleys Library STEAM Program; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds. (Commission District 2)

### **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: *"Move to approve Commission District Special Funds in the amount of [\$10,000] for Fiscal Year 2019-2020; District 2 Commissioner Bob Lucey recommends a [\$5,000] grant to the Community Foundation of Western Nevada to support the Food for Heroes Fund; a [\$5,000] grant to the Friends of Washoe County Library to support the South Valleys Library STEAM Program; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds."*