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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: November 19, 2024

DATE: Friday, August 30, 2024

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Ryan Gustafson, Director, Human Services Agency
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THROUGH: Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a FFY23 Continuum of Care Planning grant award from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of [\$138,288.00, \$34,572.00 county match] retroactive for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 to support the Continuum of Care initiative with planning, coordinated entry matchmaker activities and implementation of specific policies and procedures to address domestic violence survivors' needs in accessing services; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to execute grant award documents; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

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Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations

PREVIOUS ACTION

On November 28, 2023, the Board approved a 2022 Continuum of Care Planning Grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$72,185.00; \$20,948.20 county match, retroactive from of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

On October 25, 2022, the Board approved a 2021 Continuum of Care Planning Grant from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of

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\$68,176.00; \$17,044.00 county match, retroactive from of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.

On August 30, 2021, in a joint concurrent meeting between the City of Reno, the City of Sparks, and Washoe County, the Board of County Commissioners approved Amendment No. 2 as an extension of the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for Shelter Operation and other Homeless Services among the City of Reno, City of Sparks, and Washoe County; this amendment transferred the administrative and financial responsibility for the operation of the homeless shelters in Washoe County, Nevada to Washoe County.

On January 13, 2021, direction was provided by the BCC to include pursuing an expanded role in addressing the regional issue of homelessness in the Strategic Plan.

BACKGROUND

Washoe County serves in the lead entity role for the region's Continuum of Care, a United States Department of Housing and Urban Development program designed to promote communitywide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness. Grant funds provide for periodic planning activities needed in the renewal and ongoing operations of the Continuum of Care Program, the expansion and specialization of the Coordinated Entry system to increase efficiency and to ensure that domestic violence survivors' needs in accessing services are addressed. This funding will support Washoe County in its effort to provide leadership, grant monitoring and policy responsibilities for the Northern Nevada Continuum of Care.

Retroactive approval as the grant award document was received on July 29, 2024 with a period of performance beginning on July 1, 2024.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Continuum of Care (CoC) Planning Project

Scope of the Project: CoC Planning funds will assist with the Human Services Agency's monitoring, the annual CoC application process and development of a CoC system.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: CoC Planning funds will be used to enhance planning, monitoring and implementation capabilities to ensure program integrity and increased program efficiency.

On-Going Program Support: CoC Planning funds have been received annually. The funding serves as an enhancement to ongoing efforts.

Award Amount: \$138,288.00

Grant Period: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

Funding Source: United States Department of Housing and Urban Development

Pass Through Entity: None

Assistance Listing #/CFDA: 14.267

Grant ID Number: NV0179L9T012300

Match Amount and Type: \$34,572.00, Cash match

Sub-Awards and Contracts: The Human Services Agency may contract with one or more vendors in the implementation of this program. All contracts will align with the County’s procurement policies as well as federal grant procurement guidelines as defined in 2 CFR 200—Uniform Guidance.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award, Human Services Agency’s Homelessness Fund (223) FY25 adopted budget will be increased by \$138,288.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

<u>Account Number</u>		<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
IO 12445	-431100	Federal Grants	\$138,288.00
		Total Revenue	\$138,288.00
IO 12445	-710100	Professional Services	\$138,288.00
		Total Expenditures	\$138,288.00

This award includes a cash match of \$34,572.00. The expenditures to meet this match requirement will be posted to IO 61011.

RECOMMENDATION

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POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be:
“Move to accept a FFY23 Continuum of Care Planning grant award from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of [\$138,288.00, \$34,572.00 county match] retroactive for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 to support the Continuum of Care initiative with planning, coordinated entry matchmaker

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