



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: January 8, 2019

**DATE:** Wednesday, January 02, 2019  
**TO:** Board of County Commissioners  
**FROM:** Amber Howell, Director, Human Services Agency  
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**THROUGH:** Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager  
**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to approve the Human Services Agency's request for a one-time payment in the amount of an additional [\$125,933.27] to the Washoe County School District for actual expenses incurred to provide out of zone transportation for children in foster care allowed under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act that exceeded the original \$97,714.58 contract amount for a FY18 total payment of [\$223,647.85]; and authorize the Purchasing and Contracts Manager to revise the Purchase Order. (All Commission Districts)

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### SUMMARY

The Human Services Agency is requesting approval for a one-time payment in the amount of an additional [\$125,933.27] to the Washoe County School District for actual expenses incurred to provide out of zone transportation for children in foster care allowed under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act that exceeded the original \$97,714.58 contract amount for a FY18 total payment of [\$223,647.85]; and authorize the Purchasing and Contracts Manager to revise the Purchase Order.

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

### PREVIOUS ACTION

No previous action.

### BACKGROUND

Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) effective December 10, 2015 requires formal collaboration between Child Welfare agencies and School Districts to ensure the needs of children in foster care are met. Washoe County School District in Washoe County, is the only entity that HSA can collaborate with to provide this service as required under ESSA.

Pursuant to ESSA, WCHSA utilizes Title IV-E funds (CFDA number 93.658) to reimburse the WCSD Transportation Department for actual allowable expenses incurred in providing transportation services IV-E eligible foster students to their school of origin

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from their out of zone placements. Title IV-E funds are available to cover out of zone transportation costs for foster children who meet Title IV-E eligibility criteria.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Should the Board approve the one-time payment in the amount of \$125, 933.27 to the Washoe County School District, there will be no additional fiscal impact to the FY19 Child Protective Services Fund adopted budget as sufficient budget authority exists in cost center 280715 (Children's Services Administration) and g/l 710400 (Payments to Other Agencies).

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Recommendation to approve the Human Services Agency's request for a one-time payment in the amount of an additional [\$125,933.27] to the Washoe County School District for actual expenses incurred to provide out of zone transportation for children in foster care allowed under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act that exceeded the original \$97,714.58 contract amount for a FY18 total payment of [\$223,647.85]; and authorize the Purchasing and Contracts Manager to revise the Purchase Order.

### **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be "Move to approve the Human Services Agency's request for a one-time payment in the amount of an additional [\$125,933.27] to the Washoe County School District for actual expenses incurred to provide out of zone transportation for children in foster care allowed under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act that exceeded the original \$97,714.58 contract amount for a FY18 total payment of [\$223,647.85]; and authorize the Purchasing and Contracts Manager to revise the Purchase Order.