



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: August 31, 2020

DATE: July 31, 2020

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a Children's Justice Act grant from State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of [\$53,950; no county match required] retroactive from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; authorize the Director of Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the grant award; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

Recommendation to accept a Children's Justice Act grant from State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of [\$53,950; no county match required] retroactive from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; direct the Comptroller's office to make the necessary budget amendments.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

On August 27, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners accepted item 7.K.2, the Department's request to accept Children's Criminal Justice Act funds for July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

On September 25, 2018, the Board of County Commissioners accepted item 6.K.4, the Department's request to accept Children's Criminal Justice Act funds for July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

On September 27, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners accepted item 8.C, the Department's request to accept Children's Criminal Justice Act funds for July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

BACKGROUND

The State of Nevada Division of Child and Family Services awards federal Children's Justice Act (CJA) funding to assist qualifying agencies in developing, establishing, and operating programs designed to improve the assessment and investigation of suspected child abuse and neglect cases including child sexual abuse and neglect-related fatalities; the investigation of cases of suspected child abuse and neglect, including child sexual abuse and exploitation; and, the assessment and investigation of cases involving children with disabilities or serious health-related problems who are suspected victims of child abuse or neglect.

Retroactive approval is requested as the notice of subaward (NOSA) was received July 23, 2020.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Children's Justice Act

Scope of the Project: Provide child protection workers and stakeholders with appropriate technology and front end specialty, discipline-specific and advanced training.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: The benefit to residents will be well-trained staff with expanded and more developed skills and resources to meet the needs of child victims.

On-Going Program Support: CJA funding continues to be an ongoing source of support for areas within the Department. This funding serves as an enhancement to ongoing efforts.

Award Amount: \$53,950

Grant Period: July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021

Funding Source: US Department of Health & Human Services
Administration for Children & Families

Pass Through Entity: State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Child and Family Services

CFDA Number: 93.643

Grant ID Number: 93643-19-003

Match Amount and Type: No match required

Sub-Awards and Contracts: If needed, the Human Services Agency will contract for services following the County's competitive bid process and federal grant procurement guidelines as defined in 2 CFR 200 – Uniform Guidance.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the Child Protective Services Fund (228) FY21 adopted budget will be increased by \$53,950 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount of Increase/(Decrease)</u>
IO 11721 -431100	Federal Grants	\$ 53,950.00
	Total Revenue	\$ 53,950.00
IO 11721 -710210	Software Maintenance	\$ 8,012.00
-710507	Network, Data Lines	\$ 9,197.00
-710509	Seminars Meetings	\$ 4,700.00
-711210	Travel	\$ 13,803.00
-711504	Equipment nonCapital	\$ 18,238.00
	Total Expenditures	\$ 53,950.00

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept a Children’s Justice Act grant from the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of [\$53,950; no county match required] retroactive July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; authorize the Director of Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the grant award; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: “Move to accept a Children’s Justice Act grant from the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of [\$53,950; no county match required] retroactive from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; authorize the Director of Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the grant award; and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the necessary budget amendments.”