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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: December 12, 2023

DATE: November 2, 2023

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Joe Olaciregui, Program Coordinator Community Engagement Office
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THROUGH: Darin Balaam, Sheriff

SUBJECT: Recommendation to retroactively accept a Nevada Division of Emergency Management grant award [amount not to exceed \$149,460.00, no County match required] as administered through the State of Nevada, Office of the Military Division of Emergency Management, Federal FY 2023 project number 97067.23 to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for payment of three intermittent positions as well as equipment and supplies for the grant term of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2025 and if approved authorize Sheriff Balaam to execute grant award documentation, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

This Item is presented seeking approval to accept the grant award from the Nevada Office of Military, Division of Emergency Management, through the Department of Homeland Security. per county Policy, the Washoe County Board of Commissioner's must accept grant awards and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

The Nevada Office of Military, Division of Emergency Management, and Homeland Security has awarded the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for the payment of three intermittent positions as well as purchase of equipment and supplies for the County Emergency Response Team (CERT). The grant award includes three intermittent positions as support to our volunteer corp. The supplies and equipment will aid in ongoing efforts to increase public awareness and preparedness in the event of a major disaster impacting our community. The will be done with a whole community approach towards preparedness, resilience, and mitigation.

Washoe County Strategic Objectives supported by this item: Safe, secure, and healthy community.

PREVIOUS ACTION

December 13, 2022, the Board of Commissioners approved item #9.F.5 the Sheriff's Office requested to approve a direct grant award [\$121,580.00, no match required] from

AGENDA ITEM # _____

the Nevada Division of Emergency Management FY 2022, Project number 97067.22, to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for the Citizens Corps Program Sustainment for the retroactive grant term September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2024.

December 14, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 10.K.1, the Sheriff's Office request to approve a direct grant award [\$80,353.00, no match required] from the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, Federal FY 2021, Project number 97067.21, to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for the Citizen Corps Program Sustainment for the retroactive grant term of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2023.

November 17, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 10.D.1, the Sheriff's Office request to approve a direct grant award [\$80,335.00, no match required] from the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, Federal FY 2020, Project number 97067.20, to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for the Citizen Corps Program Sustainment for the retroactive grant term of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2022.

November 12, 2019, the Board of County Commissioners approved item # 8.D.3, the Sheriff's Office request to approve a direct grant award [\$84,135.00, no match required] from the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, Federal FY 2019, Project number 19-3000, to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office for the Citizen Corps Program Sustainment for the retroactive grant term of September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021.

The Board has accepted an annual Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Grant Program award on behalf of the Washoe County Sheriff's Office since 2006

BACKGROUND

On October 25, 2023, the Washoe County Sheriff's Office received notification it had been awarded a grant from the Nevada Office of the Military, Division of emergency Management for the payment of three intermittent positions as well as equipment and supplies related to training community members, providing an increased awareness of disasters and how to be prepared. Additionally, having trained volunteers that can support responders when needed if a disaster should occur.

The Washoe County Community Emergency Response Team exists to ensure our citizens are kept aware and prepared to respond in the event of a disaster. Continuing to invest in our Community Emergency Response Team will enhance overall community preparedness, resilience, and mass care services, taking a whole community approach. The grant includes three intermittent administrative support positions to support our volunteer corp. The supplies and equipment will aid in continuing efforts to increase public awareness and preparedness in the event of a major disaster impacting our community. The Community Emergency Response Team can also support first responder's efforts during a large-scale emergency event.

Reason for the retroactive submittal: Item was submitted to the first available BBC meeting once the paperwork was received and processed.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: CCP/CERT Program

Scope of the Project: Payment of three intermittent positions and purchase of equipment and supplies.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Increase Community safety and resilience.

On-Going Program Support: None

Award Amount: \$149,460.00

Grant Period: October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2025

Funding Source: Nevada Office of the Military

Pass Through Entity: Nevada Division of Emergency Management

Assistance Listing #/CFDA: 97.067

Grant ID Number: 97067.23

Match Amount and Type: No Match

Sub-Awards and Contracts: Equipment and supplies will be purchased using Washoe Count grant procurement process compliant with 2 *CFR 200.317-200.326*

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY24 Sheriff’s Office, adopted budget will be increased by \$149,460.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object & Description	G/L Account & Description	Amount
IO-TBD – 2023 DEM CERT	431100-Federal Grants	\$149,460.00
IO-TBD – 2023 DEM CERT	701130-Pooled Positions	\$ 87,360.00
IO-TBD – 2023 DEM CERT	710300-Operating Supplies	\$ 23,600.00
IO-TBD – 2023 DEM CERT	711504-Equipment Non-Capital	\$ 38,500.00

- No Match
- Reimbursement
- Indirect costs are not allowable on this grant award as no salary or wages are included in the grant budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners retroactively accept a Nevada Division of Emergency Management grant award [amount not to exceed \$149,460.00, no county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada, Office of the Military, Division of Emergency Management, Federal FY 2023 project number 97067.23, to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for payment of three intermittent positions as well as equipment and supplies for the grant term of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2025 and if approved authorize Sheriff Balaam to execute grant award documentation, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board of Commissioners agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: move to retroactively accept a Nevada Division of Emergency Management grant award [amount not to exceed \$149,460.00, no county match required] as administered through the State of Nevada Office of the Military, Division of Emergency Management, Federal FY 2023 project number 97067.23, to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for payment of the three intermittent positions as well as equipment and supplies for the grant term of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2025, and if approved, authorize Sheriff Balaam to execute the grant award documentation, and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.