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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: *July 23, 2019*

DATE: Friday, July 19, 2019

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Jackie Bryant, District Court Administrator and Clerk of Court

SUBJECT: Recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners to retroactively acknowledge receipt of the Federal Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors Violence Against Women Formula Program (STOP) sub-grant in the amount of [\$30,709.00 plus a 25% in kind match with staff salaries] awarded to the Second Judicial District Court to strengthen services provided to families impacted by domestic violence and promote partnerships among community stakeholders, and direct the Comptroller's Department to make the necessary budget amendments. The estimated budget for these services is not to exceed \$30,709.00 during the project period of July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 through the Federal STOP pass-through grant administered by the Nevada Office of the Attorney General. District Court (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The attached award letter reflects the Second Judicial District Court's receipt of the Federal Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors Violence Against Women Formula Program (STOP) sub-grant in the amount of \$30,709.00 awarded to the Second Judicial District Court to strengthen services provided to families impacted by domestic violence and promote partnerships among community stakeholders. The estimated budget for these services is not to exceed \$30,709.00 during the project period of July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 through the Federal STOP pass-through grant administered by the Nevada Office of the Attorney General.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

There has been no previous Board action taken on this item.

BACKGROUND

On October 1, 2018, the Second Judicial District Court assumed responsibility for assisting individuals in all stages of obtaining a protection order against domestic violence. The Protection Order Help Center ("POHC") was created to provide a safe and

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family-focused environment, hands-on assistance to those navigating the protection order process, materials on available community resources and to streamline the processing of TPO cases.

On June 3, 2019, the District Court received notice of its successful application for grant funding for the period of July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020. With the use of grant funds, the Second Judicial District Court will continue to support access to justice for those impacted by domestic violence. Grant funds will be used towards the following initiatives:

- Initiative 1 - Court Text Message Application (eCourtDate App). The POHC will use text messaging to communicate with parties in a protection order case. Texts will include the date and time of the parties' next TPO hearing. With remaining funds, the SJDC would like to extend this to text notifications when protection orders are entered.
- Initiative 2 – Expand Language Resources. The SJDC will use grant funds for a bi-lingual advocate to be available part-time in the POHC.

On July 23, 2019, the Board is being asked to approve this grant award retroactively dating back to July 1, 2019. This is the first available Board meeting that the award could be presented by the District Court.

FISCAL IMPACT

On-Going Program Support: These funds are made available through a Federal STOP pass-through grant administered by the Nevada Office of the Attorney General to strengthen services provided to families impacted by domestic violence and promote partnerships among community stakeholders.

- **Award Amount:** \$30,709.00
- **Grant Period:** July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020
- **Funding Source:** Federal STOP
- **Pass Through Entity:** Nevada Office of the Attorney General
- **CFDA Number:** 16.588
- **Grant ID Number:** None
- **Match Amount and Type:** 25% (\$7,677.25) in kind with staff salaries
- **Sub-Awards and Contracts:** District Court intends to contract with professional service providers as needed to fulfill the scope of work requirements.

Procurement activities will comply with the established Washoe County Procurement Policy, County Grants Policy Manual, and with 2 CFR 200.

Should the Board acknowledge this grant, the adopted budget will be increased by \$30,709.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Internal Order	G/L Account	Amount
11584	431100	\$ 30,709.00
11584	710100	\$30,709.00

RECOMMENDATION

Recommended to the Board of County Commissioners to retroactively acknowledge receipt of the Federal Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors Violence Against Women Formula Program (STOP) sub-grant in the amount of \$30,709.00 awarded to the Second Judicial District Court to strengthen services provided to families impacted by domestic violence and promote partnerships among community stakeholders, and direct the Comptroller's Department to make the necessary budget amendments. The estimated budget for these services is not to exceed \$30,709.00 during the project period of July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 through the Federal STOP pass-through grant administered by the Nevada Office of the Attorney General. (All Commission Districts)

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: Move that the Board of County Commissioners retroactively acknowledge receipt of the Federal Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors Violence Against Women Formula Program (STOP) sub-grant in the amount of [\$30,709.00 plus a 25% in kind match with staff salaries] awarded to the Second Judicial District Court to strengthen services provided to families impacted by domestic violence and promote partnerships among community stakeholders, and direct the Comptroller's Department to make the necessary budget amendments. The estimated budget for these services is not to exceed \$30,709.00 during the project period of July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020 through the Federal STOP pass-through grant administered by the Nevada Office of the Attorney General. (All Commission Districts)