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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: February 20, 2024

DATE: Wednesday, January 3, 2024

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Ralph Caldwell, Deputy Chief Sheriff's Office, Operations
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THROUGH: Darin Balaam, Sheriff

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a one-time food donation of [\$300.00] from the Silver Sage Foundation to the Washoe County Sheriff's Office, so this foundation can provide a shared meal (Not to exceed \$300) with members to foster community relationships. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The Sheriff's Office is seeking approval for a one-time food donation from the Silver Sage Foundation in the amount of \$300. The donation will consist of food purchased and prepared by members of the Silver Sage Foundation.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations, Innovative Services; Strengthen the culture of service.

PREVIOUS ACTION

Over the years, the Board has previously approved numerous donations from private citizens similar in nature for various efforts within the Sheriff's Office.

BACKGROUND

The Silver Sage Foundation would like to improve relations and understanding between law enforcement, local government, and the Muslim community in Northern Nevada. The Silver Sage Foundation frequently is hosted by other community groups for meals and discussions. The Sheriff's Office seeks to improve engagement and understanding with our neighbors and fellow citizens.

“Silver Sage Foundation’s mission is to develop social capital by creating and extending positive connections within and between disparate social networks to achieve mutual understanding and common commitments to enriching the social good in the Western US States. Silver Sage Foundation seeks to accomplish its vision by engaging in a variety of civic activities and inviting others to generate and share insights, thereby removing barriers to confidence-building and trust. This sharing of insights and understanding can

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then create real opportunities for mutual respect and appreciation, offering an environment in which a shared narrative can be rooted.”

<https://silversagefoundation.org/aboutus/>

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board accept this donation \$300.00 worth of prepared food will be brought to the Sheriff’s Office to share with staff. There will be no fiscal impact to the Washoe County General Fund.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners accept a one-time food donation of [\$300.00] from the Silver Sage Foundation for staff at the Sheriff’s Office to share.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: “Move to accept a one-time food donation of [\$300.00] from the Silver Sage Foundation.