

# **WASHOE COUNTY**

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## STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: March 13, 2018

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**DATE:** Wednesday, March 07, 2018

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**FROM:** Amber Howell, Director, Social Services

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**THROUGH:** Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to approve an a one-year agreement in the amount of

[\$1,583,545] with the nonprofit, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, retroactive July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 in support of the senior nutrition program, including congregate and Meals on Wheels services, in order to implement national best practices and leverage the capacity of a non-profit nutrition services agency and approve necessary resolution for

same. (All Commission Districts)

## **SUMMARY**

The Department recommends the Board approve an a one-year support grant agreement in the amount of [\$1,583,545] with the nonprofit, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, retroactive July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 in support of the senior nutrition program, including congregate and Meals on Wheels services, in order to implement national best practices and leverage the capacity of a non-profit nutrition services agency and approve necessary resolution for same.

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

## **PREVIOUS ACTION**

On August 9, 2016 the Board approved an a one-year support grant agreement in the amount of \$1,438,533 with the nonprofit, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, retroactive from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 in support of the senior nutrition program, including congregate and Meals on Wheels services, in order to implement national best practices and leverage the capacity of a non-profit nutrition services agency and approve necessary resolution for same.

On April 28, 2015 the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) authorized the Department of Senior Services to begin negotiations with Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada for the operations of the Senior Nutrition Programs, including congregate and

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"Meals on Wheels" services in order to implement national best practices and leverage the capacity of a non-profit nutrition services agency.

June 23, 2015 the Board of County Commissioners approved a one-year support grant agreement in the amount of \$636,336 with the nonprofit, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 in support of the senior nutrition program, including congregate and Meals on Wheels services, in order to implement national best practices and leverage the capacity of a non-profit nutrition services agency and approve necessary resolution for same.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Retroactive approval is requested due to the timing of the Department receiving FY18 labor costs from the contractor to finalize the FY18 contract amount and receipt of the Notice of Grant awards for the FY18 senior nutrition grants in mid-September of this year.

Washoe County Human Services Senior Services Division (Senior Services), acting on behalf of Washoe County, is responsible for the operation of all facilities, administration of all funds received, including Federal, State and local grants, property tax, and voluntary donations, in conjunction with the Senior Nutrition Program.

The funds for the Senior Nutrition Program comes from a variety of sources: the Older Americans Act Title 111(c) for congregate and home delivered meal contracts through the State of Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD); USDA/NSIP (United States Department of Agriculture/Nutrition Services Incentive Program) funding; local soup revenue; WIN (Waiver for Independent Nevadans) funding; program income, a contract with Storey County, donations, and matching funds for ADSD funds from the County Ad Valorem tax specifically set aside for senior programming and Indigent Funds.

The Federal requirements for the senior nutrition funding require Senior Services to provide and distribute one (1) meal per day per client, for two hundred and fifty (250) days per year, for an annual total of approximately 410,000 meals;

On April 21, 2014 the Board of County Commissioners authorized the Department of Senior Services to begin negotiations with Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada for the operations of the Department's senior nutrition programs, including the congregate and "Meals on Wheels" services in order to implement national best practices and to leverage the capacity of a non-profit nutrition services agency. The partnership formally began July 1, 2014 and has successfully served more than 5,000 seniors over one million meals since that time.

#### FISCAL IMPACT

The FY18 approved budget will include funding in Senior Services Fund (Fund 225) and Indigent Fund (Fund 221).

Funds are anticipated to be requested and approved for all future fiscal years applicable to agreement renewals.

## RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation to approve an a one-year agreement in the amount of [\$1,583,545] with the nonprofit, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, retroactive July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 in support of the senior nutrition program, including congregate and Meals on Wheels services, in order to implement national best practices and leverage the capacity of a non-profit nutrition services agency and approve necessary resolution for same.

#### POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board approve, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve an a one-year agreement in the amount of [\$1,583,545] with the nonprofit, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada, retroactive July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 in support of the senior nutrition program, including congregate and Meals on Wheels services, in order to implement national best practices and leverage the capacity of a non-profit nutrition services agency and approve necessary resolution for same."