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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: October 9, 2018

DATE: Thursday, October 04, 2018

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: James Popovich, Specialty Courts Manager, Second Judicial District Court
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THROUGH: Jackie Bryant, District Court Administrator and Clerk of Court

SUBJECT: Recommendation to acknowledge the grant awards from the State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts to the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of [\$180,345], no County match required, to support the Medication-Assisted Treatment Court, and in the amount of [\$50,991], no County match required, to support the Youth Offender Diversion Court, effective retroactively July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. No budget adjustments are necessary as this award was anticipated and accounted for during the budget process for fiscal year 2019. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

The Second Judicial District Court has been awarded \$180,345 in grant funding to support the existing Medication-Assisted Treatment Court and \$50,991 in grant funding to support the existing Youth Offender Diversion Court. The costs to the Court associated with serving these populations include substance abuse and mental health treatment, drug testing, operational expenses, salaries and benefits for District Court's Specialty Court staff, bus passes, and incentives.

The reason for requesting acknowledgement of these grant awards, retroactively, is due to the Court receiving notice of the awards after the commencement of the new fiscal year.

County Priority supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On July 26, 2016, the Board of County Commissioners acknowledged a grant award from the State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts, to the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of \$1,163,448, to support the Specialty Court programs. Two of the specialty court programs included in this grant award were Medication-Assisted Treatment Court and Youth Offender Diversion Court and were awarded a combined amount of \$236,796.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

On September 12, 2017, the Board of County Commissioners acknowledged a grant award from the State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts, to the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of \$231,336, to support Medication-Assisted Treatment Court and Youth Offender Diversion Court.

BACKGROUND

The 78th and 79th sessions of the Nevada Legislature provided a general fund appropriation of three million dollars each year of each biennium to enhance specialty court programs statewide. The Administrative Office of the Courts sent a request for applications in 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018 to each participating District statewide to submit applications for new or existing Specialty Courts for those respective fiscal years. The Second Judicial District Court applied for and was awarded funding for Medication Assisted Treatment Court for fiscal years 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 while Youth Offender Diversion Court was awarded funding for fiscal years 2017, 2018, and 2019.

The Second Judicial District Court and Washoe County Purchasing and Contracts Department issued a Request for Proposal (RFP #3018-17) in the spring of 2017 for medication-assisted treatment services for Medication-Assisted Treatment and Youth Offender Diversion Courts. Two bidders were selected to provide professional counseling services for Medication-Assisted Treatment and Youth Offender Diversion Courts.

A requirement of any Court receiving AOC funds is that they comply with best practices and specific criteria outlined in *Nevada Specialty Court Funding Guidelines and Criteria*, as established by the Specialty Court Funding Committee and approved by the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada.

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GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Second Judicial District Court's Specialty Courts.

Scope of the Project: The Second Judicial District Court will contract with community providers for substance abuse, mental health treatment, drug testing, and medication-assisted treatment as well as pay for costs associated with operational expenses, salaries and benefits for District Court's Specialty Court staff, bus passes, and incentives.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: The goal of Specialty Courts is to assist those defendants struggling with substance use and mental health in becoming productive members of society, through abstaining from any further illicit drug use, managing their mental health, and preventing recidivism.

On-Going Program Support: These funds are made available through the Administrative Office of the Courts and will support the Second Judicial District Court's needs in providing professional services, Court staff salaries and benefits and other

ancillary services, for its Specialty Courts and to maintain compliance with the funding criteria and drug court best practices. These programs rely on annual grant funding from the AOC.

Award Amount: \$180,345 for Medication-Assisted Treatment Court; and
\$50,991 for Youth Offender Diversion Court

Grant Period: July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019

Funding Source: State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts –
State General Fund Appropriation.

Pass Through Entity: N/A

CFDA Number: N/A

Grant ID Number: N/A

Match Amount and Type: N/A

Sub-Awards and Contracts: The Second Judicial District Court and Washoe County Purchasing and Contracts Department issued a Request for Proposal in the spring of 2017 for medication-assisted treatment services for Medication-Assisted Treatment and Youth Offender Diversion Courts. Two bidders were selected and will be used for the second consecutive year to provide professional counseling services for Medication-Assisted Treatment and Youth Offender Diversion Courts.

Based on a Request for Proposal for drug testing services (RFP #2981-16) issued during the spring of 2016, Rocky Mountain Offender Management Systems was selected and will be used for the third consecutive year to provide drug testing services for Medication-Assisted Treatment and Youth Offender Diversion Courts.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board acknowledge these grant awards, no budget amendments are necessary as the Fiscal Year 2019 adopted budget included authority as indicated below:

IO 20418	\$180,345
IO 20419	\$50,991

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend to acknowledge the grant awards from the State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts, to the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of \$180,345, no County match required, to support the Medication-Assisted Treatment Court, and in the amount of \$50,991, no County match required, to support the Youth Offender Diversion Court, effective retroactively July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. No budget adjustments

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POSSIBLE MOTION

Move to acknowledge the grant award from the State of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts, to the Second Judicial District Court, in the amount of \$180,345, no County match required, to support the Medication-Assisted Treatment Court, and in the amount of \$50,991, no County match required, to support the Youth Offender Diversion Court, effective retroactively July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. No budget adjustments are necessary as this award was anticipated and accounted for during the budget process for fiscal year 2019.