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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: February 26, 2019

DATE: Wednesday, February 6, 2019

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Victoria Jakubowski, Fiscal Compliance Officer, District Attorney's Office, 325-6710 vjakubowski@da.washoecounty.us

THROUGH: Christopher J. Hicks, District Attorney

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve payments totaling [\$17,972.77] to vendors for assistance of 90 victims of sexual assault and authorize Comptroller to process same. NRS 217.310 requires payment by the County of total initial medical care of victims, regardless of cost, and of follow-up treatment costs of up to \$1,000 for victims and other eligible persons. (All Commission Districts).

SUMMARY

The attached billing list is for a total of 90 victims of sexual assault who have qualified for Washoe County Assistance as set forth in NRS 217.310.

For this billing month, the amount of initial care is \$3,961.21 and the amount of follow-up treatment is \$14,011.56 with a grand total of \$17,972.77.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

On August 28, 2018, the Board authorized payments totaling \$10,819.26 to vendors for assistance of 65 victims of sexual assault.

On June 19, 2018, the Board authorized payments totaling \$17,502.22 to vendors for assistance of 55 victims of sexual assault.

The Board has authorized payments in accordance with NRS 217.310 for many years.

BACKGROUND

Pursuant to NRS 217.300, the county in whose jurisdiction a sexual assault is committed is required to pay any cost incurred for medical care for any physical injuries resulting from the sexual assault. Pursuant to NRS 217.320, the county is also required to pay for any follow-up treatment provided, not to exceed \$1,000 per person.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

The District Attorney's Office, as a county agency, provides these services for the victims and other eligible persons through the SART/CARES program. This program provides a much-needed and highly-valued service to victims of sexual assault in Washoe County. The District Attorney's Office submits a listing of these bills for BCC review and approval.

FISCAL IMPACT

Budget for the \$17,972.77 expenses was appropriated by the Board for fiscal year 2019 in Cost Center 106110 and account number 710868 and 710878.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board approve payments totaling [\$17,972.77] to vendors for assistance of 90 victims of sexual assault and authorize Comptroller to process same. NRS 217.310 requires payment by the County of total initial medical care of victims, regardless of cost, and of follow-up treatment costs of up to \$1,000 for victims and other eligible persons.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve payments totaling [\$17,972.77] to vendors for assistance of 90 victims of sexual assault and authorize Comptroller to process same. NRS 217.310 requires payment by the County of total initial medical care of victims, regardless of cost, and of follow-up treatment costs of up to \$1,000 for victims and other eligible persons."