



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: February 26, 2019

**DATE:** Friday, February 22, 2019

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**FROM:** Amber Howell, Director, Human Services Agency  
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**THROUGH:** Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to approve the 2017 Continuum of Care Grant Agreement for the Shelter Plus Care Program from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of [\$112,128; \$27,552 county match], retroactive to August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019; authorize the Department to execute the Grant Agreement; authorize a Subgrant Agreement for Continuum of Care services between Washoe County and Volunteers of America, Greater Sacramento and Northern Nevada, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$172,403, approve Resolution necessary for same; direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)

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### **SUMMARY**

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County Priority/Goal supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities

### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

On October 10, 2017, the Board accepted item #13, the 2016 Continuum of Care Grant in the amount of \$110,208, with a county match of \$60,275; retroactively from August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2018.

### **BACKGROUND**

Retroactive approval is requested due to questions related to subrecipient's single audit.

AGENDA ITEM # \_\_\_\_\_

This is the ninth grant renewal from HUD for the Continuum of Care – Shelter Plus Care Program. The HUD grant and County match supports housing and supportive services costs (rent, utilities, case management, substance abuse and mental health counseling, and independent living skills) necessary to assist individuals to maintain their housing.

Under the Shelter Plus Care program, rental assistance is provided through a subgrant to Volunteers of America, Greater Sacramento and Northern Nevada, Inc. (Volunteers of America (VOA)). VOA acts as the housing coordinator, provides case-management, and supportive services necessary to help the 16 individuals maintain their housing. Grant funds are used to provide for rental assistance for scattered-site housing; The minimum HUD grant match amount of \$27,552 and additional County funds in the amount of \$32,723 are used to provide additional supportive services, program, fiscal, and grant management for a total of \$60,275.

### **GRANT AWARD SUMMARY**

**Project/Program Name:** 2017 Continuum of Care – Shelter Plus Care

**Scope of the Project:** The program provides housing and supportive services for 16 chronically homeless individuals.

**Benefit to Washoe County Residents:** Providing housing and supportive services to chronically homeless individuals helps to stabilize them and reduce the dependency on emergency community resources.

**On-Going Program Support:** This grant is expected to renew annually by HUD. Washoe County Social Services already provides services to individuals in the homeless shelter and would continue to provide case management support (though not tenant-based rental assistance) for these individuals should the grant fail to be renewed or could no longer be funded by HUD.

**Award Amount:** \$112,128

**Grant Period:** August 1, 2018 – July 31, 2019

**Funding Source:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

**Pass Through Entity:** N/A

**CFDA Number:** 14.267

**Grant ID Number:** NV0044L9T011708

**Match Amount and Type:** \$27,552 county match will provide the supportive services component of this award.

**Sub-Awards and Contracts:** The funds will be sub-granted to the Volunteers of America for the entire grant amount, in compliance with the Washoe County Grants Manual and 2 CFR 200.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The FY19 Human Services Agency Continuum of Care – Shelter Plus Care Program budget has \$31,605.84 in available budget authority. A budget amendment in the amount of \$80,522.16 is necessary to align the FY19 Continuum of Care – Shelter Plus Care Program budget with the Grant Award. Should the accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY19 adopted budget will be increased by \$80,522.16 in the following accounts:

<b><u>Account Number</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>	<b><u>Amount of Increase/(Decrease)</u></b>
IO 11546 – 431100	Federal Grants	\$80,522.16
	<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$80,522.16</b>
IO 11546 – 710119	Subrecipient Payment	\$80,522.16
	<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$80,522.16</b>

Required match and County Contribution will be tracked separately in Fund 179-0 Human Services IO 60223 and Fund 221 Indigent Fund IO 60546.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended to approve the 2017 Continuum of Care Grant Agreement for the Shelter Plus Care Program from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of [\$112,128; \$27,552 county match], retroactive to August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019; authorize the Department to execute the Grant Agreement; authorize a Subgrant Agreement for Continuum of Care services between Washoe County and Volunteers of America, Greater Sacramento and Northern Nevada, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$172,403, approve Resolution necessary for same; direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "move to approve the 2017 Continuum of Care Grant Agreement for the Shelter Plus Care Program from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the amount of [\$112,128; \$27,552 county match], retroactive to August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019; authorize the Department to execute the Grant Agreement; authorize a Subgrant Agreement for Continuum of Care services between Washoe County and Volunteers of America, Greater Sacramento and Northern Nevada, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$172,403, approve Resolution necessary for same; direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments."