

WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: May 21, 2019

- **DATE:** April 16, 2019
 - TO: Board of County Commissioners
- **FROM:** Bojana Vujeva, Management Analyst (775) 328-3611, <u>bvujeva@washoecounty.us</u>
- THROUGH: Dave Solaro, Assistant County Manager
- **SUBJECT:** Recommendation to approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$2,500] for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; District 5 Commissioner Jeanne Herman recommends a [\$1,250] grant to the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to support Washoe County 4-H Livestock Leaders for youth members as they pursue their personal goals to learn about the livestock industry; and a [\$1,250] grant to the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to support Washoe County 4-H Horse Leaders for youth members as they pursue their personal goals to learn about the livestock industry; and a [\$1,250] grant to the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to support Washoe County 4-H Horse Leaders for youth members as they pursue their personal goals to learn about the horse industry and affiliated programs and or careers; approve Resolution necessary for the same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds. (Commission District 5)

SUMMARY

This item requests the Board to approve resolutions and disburse district funds in the [total amount of \$2,500] for Commission District 5.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

May 22, 2018: the Board of County Commissioners approved the 18-19 Fiscal year budget with special district funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$20,000.

At the April 16, 2019 Board of County Commissioner's meeting, the following District Fund Grants were approved:

- A [\$5,000] grant to support Washoe County Human Services Agency's (HSA) River House, a project of HSA's CrossRoads program. River House provides up to 24 women sober, supportive, community living while residents receive wraparound services to overcome addiction.
- A [\$2,500] grant to support the Nevada State High School Rodeo Association to support the Washoe County High School Rodeo Club with the annual Washoe County High School Rodeo held in April 2019 at the Reno Livestock Events Center.

- A [\$2,500] grant to support the Washoe County Sheriff's Office's Regional Aviation Enforcement Unit also known as RAVEN.
- A [\$1,500] grant to support the Gerlach Fire Department in purchasing turnout gear for volunteer firefighters.
- A [\$2,500] grant to support the North Valleys High School's JROTC Program to support the purchase of Turning Technologies elnstruction delivery platform which will support the purchase of technology to actively engage students in learning.
- A [\$2,500] grant to support the Spanish Springs High School's JROTC Program to help support the Spanish Springs High School JROTC's annual "Shaw Christmas shopping trip". During this event, Shaw Middle School counselors identify up to 20 students that come from underprivileged families that will likely have few resources during the holidays.
- A [\$1,500] grant to support the Vya Conservation District to support the Vya Conservation District's mission to foster and support natural resource conservation through leadership, education, technical, and financial assistance to implement and ensure sustainable use of Northwestern Nevada's natural resources
- A [\$1,500] grant to support the Washoe Storey Conservation District to support the Washoe Storey Conservation District's mission is to foster and support natural resource conservation through leadership, education, technical, and financial assistance to implement and ensure sustainable use of Northwestern Nevada's natural resources.

BACKGROUND

Modification of guidelines and adoption of resolution for County Commission District Special Funding on February 10, 2015 created Commission District Special Funds for each Commission District. On May 22, 2018 the Board of County Commissioners approved the 18-19 Fiscal year budget with special district funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$20,000. The monies appropriated are to support needs for all Washoe County residents.

Funds appropriated through the Commission District Special Funds must provide substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. The recipient must be a non-profit organization, created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, or a government entity. Funds shall not provide any personal or private benefit for the Commissioners, directly or indirectly benefit any campaign efforts by a commissioner, violate Ethics in Government law, or be used to purchase tickets to special events.

Commissioner Herman has elected to support the following organizations in fiscal year 2018-19:

• The Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to support Washoe County 4-H Youth Development Programs [\$2,500]. This grant will be used to support two programs of the Washoe County 4-H Youth Development Program: the Washoe County 4-H Livestock Leaders Program with [\$1,250] to support youth members as they pursue their personal goals to learn about the livestock industry and the Washoe County 4-H Horse Leaders Program with [\$1,250] to support youth members as they pursue their personal goals to learn about the programs as they pursue their personal goals to learn about the horse industry and affiliated programs and or careers.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds have been included in the FY 2018-2019 approved budget under Commission District Constituent cost centers: District 5 - 100105/710400. This action requests approval and distribution of a [total of \$2,500] as outlined.

Expense Disbursements are required as follows:

Board of Regents of the University of Nevada	\$2,500

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$2,500] for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; District 5 Commissioner Jeanne Herman recommends a [\$2,500] grant to the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to support Washoe County 4-H Youth Development Programs, specifically: [\$1,250] to the Washoe County 4-H Livestock Leaders Program and [\$1,250] to the Washoe County 4-H Horse Leaders Program; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve Commission District Special Fund disbursement [in the amount of \$2,500] for Fiscal Year 2018-2019; District 5 Commissioner Jeanne Herman recommends a [\$2,500] grant to the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada to support Washoe County 4-H Youth Development Programs, specifically: [\$1,250] to the Washoe County 4-H Livestock Leaders Program and [\$1,250] to the Washoe County 4-H Horse Leaders Program; approve Resolutions necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursements of funds."