



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: September 24, 2019

DATE: September 4, 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 accept a Federal Title IV-B Subgrant award from the State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of [\$212,004; \$70,668 county match] for Washoe County Child Welfare Services retroactive July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to execute the Sub-grant award and related documents; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

No prior action.

BACKGROUND

Retroactive approval is requested due to the State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services issuing a Notice of Subgrant Award (NOSA) on August 28, 2019.

Historically, the State has not issued a NOSA for Title IV-B funding. HSA received the standard funding in the amount of \$62,004 for FY19, tracked in IO11389, for which no NOSA was received, but the supplemental award of \$150,000 has been received with a NOSA.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Title IV-B Subpart 1 of the Social Security Act, Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program, provides grants to States and Indian tribes for programs directed toward the goal of keeping families together. Services include preventive intervention so that, if possible, children will not have to be removed from their homes.

Title IV-B of the Social Security Act is an important funding stream for child welfare. It provides funding for many activities including protecting and promoting the welfare of all children, preventing the neglect, abuse or exploitation of children, and support at-risk families.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Washoe County Child Welfare

Scope of the Project: Support for child welfare with the focus on keeping families together.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Funds will be utilized to support costs associated with children in the Washoe County child welfare system.

On-Going Program Support: N/A

Award Amount: \$ 212,004 (**\$212,004 Direct/ \$0 Indirect**)

Grant Period: July 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019

Funding Source: Department of Health and Human Services

Pass Through Entity: State of Nevada
Division of Child and Family Services

CFDA Number: 93.645 Title IV-B Subpart 1

Grant ID Number: 93645-18-005

Match Amount and Type: \$70,668

Sub-Awards and Contracts: Services for room and board will be paid for using a portion of this funding; part of which may be paid to Core Dynamics as the awarded agency under RFP 3079-19. Services for a software interface are anticipated with Spirit Solutions as a sole source for proprietary software. Should programmatic needs change that require an adjustment to the planned services, HSA will follow the County's competitive bid process as well as federal grant procurement guidelines as defined in 200 CFR and as approved by the granting agency.

FISCAL IMPACT

This award was not anticipated and therefore not included in the FY20 adopted budget. The total award is \$212,004 (\$212,004 direct and \$0 indirect) of which \$62,004 was spent in FY19. A budget amendment in the amount of \$150,000 is necessary to provide revenue and expenditure authority for the period July 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019.

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the Human Services Agency's FY20 adopted budget will be amended as follows:

| <u>Account Number</u> | | <u>Description</u> | Amount of Increase/(Decrease) |
|-----------------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| IO 11612 | -431100 | Federal Grants | \$ 150,000 |
| | | Total Revenue | \$ 150,000 |
| IO 11612 | -710100 | Professional Services | \$ 45,000 |
| IO 11612 | -710712 | Family Preservation | \$ 75,000 |
| IO 11612 | -710734 | Residence Assistance | \$ 30,000 |
| | | Total Expenditure | \$ 150,000 |

County match is provided by State block grant funding in IO 11391. Expenditures for the match are tracked in cost centers and general ledger accounts identified in the approved Washoe County Department of Social Services Cost Allocation Plan (CAPs) dated July 1, 2017 and subsequent approved CAPs should the CAP be approved by the appropriate State and Federal Agencies.

RECOMMENDATION

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POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with the staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to accept a Federal Title IV-B Subgrant award from the State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of [\$212,004; \$70,668 county match] for Washoe County Child Welfare Services retroactive July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to execute the Sub-grant award and related documents; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments."