



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: February 25, 2020

DATE: Thursday, February 20, 2020

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Kelly Echeverria, Emergency Management Program Coordinator
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THROUGH: Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a 2020 Nevada State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), United We Stand (UWS) grant for [\$30,000.00, no County match required]. Grant Term is retroactive to December 31, 2019 through June 30, 2020. If approved, authorize the Chairperson to execute grant documents and authorize the County Manager or his designee, to sign the Sub-Grant Agreement between Washoe County and the City of Reno in the amount of [\$19,075.15], and the Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority (REMSA) in the amount of [\$10,924.85:] approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

Washoe County Board of County Commissioners (BCC) is requested to accept a 2020 SERC, UWS grant for [\$30,000.00, no County match required]. The Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) will subgrant these funds to member entities to provide equipment and technological upgrades to local first responders strengthening their ability to effectively respond to acts of terrorism.

Staff is requesting a retroactive approval to December 31, 2019 due to the timing of the receipt of the grant award and timing of BCC meeting opportunities.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

September 11, 2018 – The Board of County Commissioners approved a 2019 SERC UWS grant for \$25,000.00.

October 24, 2017 – The Board of County Commissioners approved a 2018 SERC UWS grant for \$24,920.00.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

August 9, 2016 – The Board of County Commissioners approved a 2017 SERC UWS grant for \$24,887.00.

August 12, 2014 – The Board of County Commissioners approved a 2015 SERC UWS Grant for \$30,000.00.

The BCC has accepted this award annually for 12 of the past 13 years.

BACKGROUND

The source of this funding is derived from fees collected from the sale and annual renewal of the United We Stand specialty license plates. The grant provides funding to the Washoe County Local Emergency Planning Committee for Planning, Training and Equipment purchases. The grant funding intent is to improve state and local government planning, training and response capabilities to react to Acts of Terrorism.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: *2020 Nevada State Emergency Response Commission*

Scope of the Project: *To support preparedness to combat terrorism.*

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: *The grant will benefit our regional first responders by providing the equipment necessary to conduct an effective response to Acts of Terrorism, protecting the lives and properties of County residents.*

On-Going Program Support: *This annual grant opportunity is for specific deliverables. We will continue to apply for funding annually.*

Award Amount: *\$30,000.00*

Grant Period: *December 31, 2019 through June 30, 2020*

Funding Source: *Funding is derived from fees collected from the sale and annual renewal of the United We Stand specialty license plates.*

Pass Through Entity: *State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)*

CFDA Number: *Not applicable (State Grant)*

Grant ID Number: *20-UWS-15-01*

Match Amount and Type: *No County match required*

Sub-Awards and Contracts:

Washoe County will subgrant \$10,924.85 of these funds to REMSA for response equipment and will sub-grant \$19,075.15 of these funds to the City of Reno for training equipment for the Reno Fire Department and technological upgrades for the Reno Police Department.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY 20 Emergency Management adopted budget will be increased by \$30,000.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object	G/L Account	Amount
Revenue:		
I.O. 19098	432100 – State Grant	\$30,000.00
Expenditures:		
I.O. 19098	710119 – Subrecipient Payments	\$30,000.00

All expenditures will be on a reimbursement basis. Indirect costs are not allowable on this grant as no salary or wages are included in the grant budget

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept a 2019 Nevada State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), United We Stand (UWS) grant for [\$30,000.00, no County match required]. Grant Term is retroactive to December 31, 2019 through June 30, 2020. If approved, authorize the County Manager to execute grant documents and to sign Sub-Grant Agreement between Washoe County and the City of Reno in the amount of \$19,075.15, and the Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority (REMSA) in the amount of \$10,924.85: approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be:
"move to accept a 2020 Nevada State Emergency Response Commission (SERC), United We Stand (UWS) grant for [\$30,000.00, no County match required]. Grant Term is retroactive to December 31, 2019 through June 30, 2020. If approved, authorize County Manager to execute grant documents and to sign Sub-Grant Agreement between Washoe County and the City of Reno in the amount of \$19,075.15, and the Regional Emergency Medical Services Authority (REMSA) in the amount of \$10,924.85: approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget amendments.