



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: April 14, 2020

**DATE:** Wednesday, April 08, 2020

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**THROUGH:** Eric P. Brown, County Manger

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to acknowledge status report and possible direction to staff on the Financial Impact to Washoe County due to the COVID 19 Crisis. (All Commission Districts).

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### SUMMARY

The purpose of this item is to provide a status report and possible direction to staff on the financial impact to Washoe County due to the COVID 19 Crisis.

**Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item:** Stewardship of our Community

### PREVIOUS ACTION

On March 31, 2020, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners ratified the March 16, 2020 issuance of a Declaration of Emergency concerning the COVID-19 crisis.

On March 31, 2020, the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners accepted and ratified an Interlocal Agreement for Incident Command and Coordinated Response to COVID 19.

### BACKGROUND

Emergency declarations have been issued by the President of the United States of America, the Governor of the State of Nevada, the Cities of Reno and Sparks, and Washoe County, in response to the public health, safety and welfare issues associated with the global pandemic declared by the World Health Organization known as Coronavirus (COVID-19).

The financial impact to Washoe County because of the COVID 19 crisis will be significant. With the Governor's Directive to close all non-essential businesses and for citizens to stay at home to reduce the spread of the COVID 19 virus, a sharp decline in economic activity and corresponding decline in the County's revenue is expected. In addition, as per the Interlocal Agreement for Incident Command and Coordinated Response to COVID 19, Washoe County is incurring significant costs for the emergency

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response to meet the health and safety needs of our community during this time of crisis. These costs were not previously budgeted, and resources must be made immediately available from the current Fiscal Year 2020 Budget. In addition, the longer-term economic and financial impacts to the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget must also be considered.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

This presentation provides information on the financial impact and needed budget adjustments recommended to provide funding for the emergency response to the COVID 19 crisis.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board acknowledge the status report and provide possible direction to staff on the Financial Impact to Washoe County due to the COVID 19 Crisis.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be "move to acknowledge the status report and provide possible direction to staff on the Financial Impact to Washoe County due to the COVID 19 Crisis."