



WASHOE COUNTY

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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: November 16, 2021

DATE: October 6, 2021

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Tammy Wines-Jennings, Assistant Director, Regional Animal Services
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THROUGH: Shyanne Schull, Director of Regional Animal Services

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept a Grant Award from the Dave and Cheryl Duffield Foundation in the amount of [\$15,000.00; no County match] retroactive to October 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022, to support lifesaving animal rescue response during wildfire season; approve the transfer of a vehicle trailer to the Washoe County Regional Animal Services fleet managed by Equipment Services; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

Washoe County Regional Animal Services has been awarded \$15,000.00 from the Dave and Cheryl Duffield Foundation to support lifesaving animal rescue response during wildfire season.

County Priority/Goal supported by this item: Quality Public Service

PREVIOUS ACTION

No previous action.

BACKGROUND

Washoe County Regional Animal Services ("WCRAS") plays an important role in the Washoe County Emergency Management's Evacuation, Shelter and Mass Care Plan as a leading agency with responsibilities for the sheltering and evacuation of animals in our region. WCRAS coordinates emergency preparedness, response, reunification, and recovery to ensure consistent, efficient, and effective support service delivery.

WCRAS currently transports supplies (crates, bowls, cleaning supplies, food, litter, etc.) necessary for setting up an emergency shelter at a designated location. This process takes time to coordinate, transport and set up cages and resources necessary for an efficient emergency shelter.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

WCRAS intends to apply this generous grant toward the purchase an emergency animal trailer, that is self-contained, and temperature controlled to expand and broaden our emergency response capabilities. This emergency animal trailer will house up to 43 adult animals and provide immediate housing needs in an emergency. The trailer will provide efficiency and flexibility for animals and people to be housed in close proximity together, since some emergency shelters are adequate for humans, not all are adequate for or permit animals.

Retroactive approval is requested as the award was received on October 5, 2021.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Duffield Foundation Fire Response

Scope of the Project: Support efforts in the evacuation and care of domestic pets during regional wildfires.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Ensuring the health and safety of domestic pets.

On-Going Program Support: This is one-time funding.

Award Amount: \$15,000.00

Grant Period: October 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022

Funding Source: Dave and Cheryl Duffield Foundation

Pass Through Entity: N/A

CFDA Number: N/A

Grant ID Number: Non-Governmental Grant – No ID Number

Match Amount and Type: No County match.

Sub-Awards and Contracts: None

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the Board accept this grant award, Washoe County Regional Animal Services' Fund (205) FY 22 adopted budget will be increased by \$15,000 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object	G/L Account	Amount
IO # 29027	484195 – Non-Governmental Grants	\$15,000.00
IO # 29027	781004 – Equipment Capital	\$15,000.00

RECOMMENDATION

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POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Recommendation to accept a Grant Award from the Dave and Cheryl Duffield Foundation in the amount of [\$15,000.00; no County match] retroactive to October 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022, to support lifesaving animal rescue response during wildfire season; approve the transfer of a vehicle trailer to the Washoe County Regional Animal Services fleet managed by Equipment Services; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments."