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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: *June 23, 2026*

DATE: Wednesday, June 17, 2026

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Lauren Beal, Grants and Community Program Analyst
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THROUGH: Abbe Yacoben, Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: Recommendation, in accordance with NRS 244.1505 and NRS 433.742, to approve allocation of Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund (WOARF) non-bankruptcy funds through the One Nevada Agreement, in the total amount of [\$3,348,384.49], to government entities or nonprofit organizations created for charitable, religious, or educational purposes; approve associated resolutions, and authorize the County Manager to sign necessary award documents, for the following four projects awarded:

- Human Services Agency – CrossRoads Families - WOARF27-00005 in the amount of [\$1,353,104.18] to provide therapeutic living community to families impacted by OUD to engage in recovery together.
- University of Nevada, Reno – StreetReach Mobile Health in Action– WOARF27-00002 in the amount of [\$499,812.60] and approve Resolution R26-0000047. Funding supports housing service with embedded treatment supports.
- The Life Change Center – Community Overdose Prevention and Engagement +– WOARF27-00003 in the amount of [499,840.78] and approve Resolution R26-0000046. Funding supports overdose prevention.
- Northern Nevada HOPES -Hope Springs- Bridge Housing and Recovery Services for Unhoused Opioid Users – WOARF27-00004 in the amount of [\$995,626.93] and approve Resolution R26-0000045. Funding supports housing service with embedded treatment supports.

And, if approved, direct Finance to make necessary net zero cross-fund and/or cross-functional budget appropriation transfers and budget amendments. Manager’s Office. (All Commission Districts.)
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

AGENDA ITEM # _____

SUMMARY

The Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund (WOARF) through the One Nevada Agreement, provides grant awards for the purpose of abating and recovering from the opioid epidemic in accordance with the Opioid Litigation Settlement Documents Use of Funds, NRS 433.742, and NRS 244.1505.

The Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund conducted an open and competitive grant solicitation for projects to address one of the priorities identified in the Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund Plan 2026-2027. The application period was from March 1st, 2026, to April 15th, 2026. The applications were reviewed by a panel consisting of Washoe County staff, subject matter experts, and people with lived experience and considered for the proposal's alignment with the Needs Assessment Priority, sustainability, and populations the project seeks to serve. Reviewers used a detailed rubric and their personal expertise and skills to assess applications. Recommended applications were presented to Washoe County leadership. The recommended set of awards includes four projects totaling \$3,348,384.49 local nonprofits and government entities.

The Board of County Commissioners should accept these proposed projects, approve amendments to the adopted fiscal year budget, and direct Finance to make the necessary budget amendments.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations, and Innovative Services

PREVIOUS ACTION

December 16, 2025 – The Board approved allocation of Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund (WOARF) non-bankruptcy funds through the One Nevada Agreement, in the total amount of [\$1,067,720], to Washoe County Human Services Agency Housing and Homeless Services Division Street Outreach project

December 9, 2025 -The Board approved Washoe County Opioid Use Needs Assessment 2026–2029 (Needs Assessment) and the Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund (WOARF) Plan (Funding Plan) for 2026–2027. The Needs Assessment outlines the current strengths, gaps, and needs in the community related to opioid use. The WOARF Plan provides priority strategies based on the Needs Assessments, funding mechanisms, anticipated outcomes, and potential community impacts of funding these initiatives.

September 16, 2025 - The Board approved the de-obligation of previously approved allocations of Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Funds (WOARF) non-bankruptcy funds through the One Nevada Agreement in the amount of [\$442,716] for the Northern Nevada Harm Reduction Alliance Building Communities of Support project that no longer needs the previously approved levels of funding and to approve allocation of

Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund (WOARF) non-bankruptcy funds through the One Nevada Agreement, in the total amount of [\$442,716].

August 19, 2025 - The Board approved the Settlement State of Nevada and Alvogen, Amneal, Apotex, Hikma, Indivior, Mylan, Sun, and Zydus in the opioid litigation in the amounts of \$8,787.01 (Alvogen); \$58,817.81 (Amneal); \$29,955.70 (Apotex); \$49,847.74 (Hikma); \$34,358.42 (Indivior); \$139,024.95 (Mylan); \$14,578.44 (Sun); and \$6,989.66 (Zydus).

For all Board of County Commissioner actions related to the Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund visit the Washoe County [WOARF Website](#).

BACKGROUND

Washoe County collaborated with the State of Nevada and other jurisdictions across the State to litigate against pharmaceutical companies and other distributors of opioids that participated in the opioid epidemic. Through this partnership, under the [One Nevada Agreement](#), Washoe County will receive approximately \$41 million over 20 years to address the opioid epidemic through evidence-based, strategic initiatives in alignment with community needs and SB 390. The funds received are to be recognized as funds received from pharmaceutical organizations that have filed bankruptcy and those that have not filed bankruptcy and will be disbursed through the Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recover Fund (WOARF) managed by the Office of the County Manager, Community Reinvestment Division. As of May 15, 2024, when the Notice of Funding Opportunity was announced, Washoe County had received \$4,747,618.72.

In 2025, Washoe County completed a second Needs Assessment and a Funding Plan to provide guidance to the County on the opioid abatement and recovery priorities for 2026-2029. The Funding Plan identified [six community funding priorities](#). On March 1, 2026, a Notice of Funding Opportunity was opened to provide competitive grant award for up to 3.5 million dollars from WOARF to implement strategies associated with the Priority Areas and the Needs Assessment and in-line with the opioid settlement's use of funds strategies, which dictate the dollars must be used for OUD and the impacts of opioid misuse.

Priority Uses of the Funds:

- Use a multidisciplinary approach to providing overdose prevention outreach and education, inclusive of under-resourced communities, such as Black Indigenous and People of Color communities, in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner (organizations, media, churches).
- Expand housing services to support people with OUD across the continuum of use that include comprehensive wrap-around and tenancy supports
- Provide mobile health care clinics that include comprehensive health and dental care for people who use or are at risk of using opioids
- Create peer-led mental health supports to prevent burnout among peer workers, providers, and professionals working in the field

On April 15, 2025, the CrossRoads Families program was invited to reapply for funding due to their successful work in adhering to the scope and meeting the goals of the ongoing priority to meet the needs of children and families impacted by opioid use disorder.

Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund

The Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund offers funding to eligible County departments and agencies, nonprofits, and businesses that provide services in Washoe County that are aligned with the County Needs Assessment and Funding Plan and in accordance with Opioid Litigation Settlement Documents Use of Funds and NRS 433.742. The County requested proposals for projects or programs to help the community recover from and abate the opioid epidemic, aligned with the priorities of the County Funding Plan, and further the County’s strategic goals.

Expenditure of public money - NRS 244.1505 provides that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners may expend money for any purpose which will provide a substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County and that the board may make a grant of money to a nonprofit organization created for religious, charitable, or educational purposes, or other governmental entity, to be expended for a selected purpose.

WOARF GRANT AWARDS SUMMARY

Human Services Agency			
Project # WOARF27-00005	Families CrossRoads	\$1,353,104.18	Approval Recommended
Description:	HSA in partnership with RISE will manage CrossRoads Families. The project includes a facility where parents reside with their children to engage in recovery together. The project addresses the needs of families impacted by opioid use disorder (OUD) through a comprehensive, family-centered approach implementing child welfare best practices to support family stability, promoting family reunification, and preventing child removals. CrossRoads Families offers a holistic environment where families can rebuild relationships, receive comprehensive support, and transition to independent living together – thereby reinforcing the family unit and interrupting the cycle of trauma and OUD. Utilizing a Therapeutic Community model that leverages the community as an agent of change and a family-centered approach, recognizing that the recovery of an individual is closely linked to the well-being of their family. Holistic support services will address the physical, psychological, social, and economic needs of both parents and children.		
Subaward:	FY27 Subaward (up to two years of total funding). Upcoming.	Approval Recommended	
Category:	Implement child welfare best practices for supporting families impacted by substance use.		

University of Nevada, Reno			
Project # WOARF27-00002	StreetReach Mobile Health in Action	\$499,812.60	Approval Recommended
Description:	StreetReach, through the use of a mobile clinic and with on-the-street teams, expands access to low-barrier, street mobile, integrated healthcare for individuals experiencing homelessness in Washoe County by delivering care directly in the community. StreetReach provides wound care, blood-borne virus testing, preventive and primary care, chronic disease management, behavioral health and substance use services, and connect patients to ongoing care, including dental and specialty services.		
Category:	Provide mobile health care clinics that include comprehensive health and dental care for people who use or are at risk of using opioids		

The Life Change Center			
Project # WOARF27-00003	Community Overdose Prevention and Engagement+	\$ 499,840.78	Approval Recommended
Description:	COPE+ is a street-based outreach and access program designed to reduce barriers and expand access for high-need, high-risk populations. The program conducts proactive outreach in geographically targeted, high-vulnerability areas, engaging individuals with opioid use disorder in the community, completing intake in the field, and providing immediate linkage to harm reduction supplies, same-day or next-day MOUD, peer recovery support services, Medicaid enrollment, and naloxone.		
Category:	Overdose prevention education and outreach inclusive of under resourced communities.		

Northern Nevada HOPES			
Project # WOARF27-00004	Hope Springs- Bridge Housing and Recovery Services for Unhoused Opioid Users	\$ 995,626.93	Approval Recommended
Description:	Northern Nevada HOPES' (HOPES) Hope Springs tiny home, transitional housing program will utilize a Housing-First and Behavioral Health Focused model to provide unhoused persons who use opioids with on-site individual/ group behavioral health treatment, case management, Peer Support Services, workforce development, financial coaching, and wrap-around services that help them access/sustain housing.		
Category:	Expand housing services to support people with OUD across the continuum of use that include comprehensive wrap-around and tenancy supports.		

FISCAL IMPACT

The total fiscal impact of this allocation is \$0.

Should the Board approve the award of WOARF non-bankruptcy funds, FY27 budget will be adjusted with the following net-zero appropriation transfers:

Fund/Function	Cost Object & Description	G/L Account & Description	Increase/ (Decrease)
Other Restricted Fund (270)/ Health and Sanitation	CC 270910 – Opioid Pharmacy Non-bankruptcy	710500 – Other Expense	(\$1,353,104.18)
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Other Restricted Fund (270)/ Health and Sanitation	IO 20572 – CR_Fam2	818000 – Intrafund Transfer	(\$ 1,353,104.18)
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Other Restricted Fund (270)/ Health and Sanitation	IO 20570 – TLCC_COPE	818000 – Intrafund Transfer	(\$ 499,840.78)
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RECOMMENDATION

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POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: *“move to in accordance with NRS 244.1505 and NRS 433.742, to approve the allocation of Washoe Opioid Abatement and Recovery Fund non-bankruptcy funds through the One Nevada Agreement, in the total amount of \$3,348,384.49 , approve associated resolutions, and authorize the County Manager to sign necessary award documents, for the following projects awarded to government entities or nonprofit organizations created for charitable, religious, or educational purposes:*

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