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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: *August 20, 2024*

DATE: Thursday, August 15, 2024
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Ryan Gustafson, Agency Director, Human Services Agency
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THROUGH: Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager
SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept various items donated totaling an estimated market value of [\$15,397.76] to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period March 26, 2024 through June 30, 2024. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

Recommendation to accept various items donated totaling an estimated market value of [\$15,397.76] to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period March 26, 2024 through June 30, 2024.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations: Address homelessness with a regional approach.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On April 23, 2024, the Board accepted various items donated totaling an estimated market value of [\$14,325.00] to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period January 5, 2024 through March 25, 2024.

On March 19, 2024, the Board accepted (1) accept various items donated totaling an estimated market value of [\$41,599.34]; and (2) accept donations from various donors to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support the participants at the Nevada Cares Campus, Our Place and to people experiencing homelessness in unsheltered settings in the amount of [\$7,800.00] retroactive for the period July 1, 2023 through January 5, 2024.

On January 23, 2024, the Board accepted various items donated and a donation from Second Baptist Church – Community Outreach Ministry, to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period November 16, 2023 through January 4, 2024.

On December 19, 2023, the Board accepted various items donated and accepted a donation from Second Baptist Church – Community Outreach Ministry, to Washoe County Human

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period August 1, 2023 through November 15, 2023.

On September 19, 2023 the Board acknowledged an item donated and accepted a donation from Grace Community Church, a non-profit religious organization, to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period July 1, 2023 through July 31, 2023.

On August 15, 2023, the Board acknowledged various items donated to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period April 15, 2023 through June 30, 2023.

On June 20, 2023, the Board accepted the sixth round of Nevada Cares Campus and the Northern Nevada Continuum of Care donations to Washoe County Housing and Homeless Services received from January 1, 2023 – May 31, 2023.

On February 21, 2023, the Board accepted the fifth round of Nevada Cares Campus donations to Washoe County Housing and Homeless Services received from October 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022.

On May 16, 2023, the Board acknowledged various items donated and accepted donations from various donors to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period February 1, 2023 through April 15, 2023.

On February 21, 2023, the Board acknowledged various items donated and accepted donations from various donors to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period October 27, 2022 through January 31, 2023.

BACKGROUND

Housing and Homeless Services (HHS), a division of Human Services Agency, regularly accepts donations from community members and businesses, which are for distribution to persons experiencing homelessness.

Washoe County Code 15.140(1)(d) reads: 1. The Board of County Commissioners: (d) has sole authority to receive donations of personal property where the personal property has a value, singly or in the aggregate, of \$5,000.00 or greater from a contributor during a fiscal year.

Washoe County Code 15.140(1)(e) reads: 1. The Board of County Commissioners: (e) Must be notified when an officer or employee of a county department or agency accepts non-federal personal property for the use and benefit of the County where the personal property has a value, singly or in the aggregate, of less than \$5,000 from a contributor during a fiscal year. In such event, the officer or employee must notify the Board of County Commissioners in writing of the acceptance.

Washoe County Code 15.160(3) reads: An officer or employee of a county department or agency shall not accept, amend, or supplement a grant, and except as otherwise provided in

section 15.140(1)(e), shall not accept, amend, or supplement a contribution of money or property without approval by the Board of County Commissioners.

The following donated items have been received for the period of March 26, 2024 through June 30, 2024, and will need to be retroactively accepted:

- (100) Narcan, (109) fentanyl test strips and (100) xylazine test strips received by HHS, donated by Darcy P. – estimated market value \$4,500
- Men’s and women’s clothing and shoes received by HHS, donated by Ledna L. – estimated market value \$120
- Bed, card table and books received by HHS, donated by Craig B. – estimated market value \$200
- Queen bed frame, mattress headboard, dresser, night stand and miscellaneous items received by HHS, donated by Melissa B. – estimated market value \$500
- (20) bags (toiletries, snacks, socks, gloves), blankets, socks, hats, various toiletries (toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, soap), granola bars, bottled water received by HHS, donated by Chelsea D. – estimated market value \$350
- Bottled waters received by HHS, donated by PJ C. – estimated market value \$47.76
- (84) bottles of water, (2) 6-pack of men’s briefs, (1) pack of men’s crew socks received by HHS, donated by South Washoe DEMS – estimated market value \$62
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, floss, (28) deodorant, Aquaphor, mouthwash, (25) Chapstick, (81) brushes/combs received by HHS, donated by Swope Middle School – estimated market value not listed
- (50) reading glasses, (50) crossword puzzle books, women’s apparel, men’s apparel, children’s apparel, Chapstick, (4) cases garbage bags, (4) duct tape, (30) cases small water bottles, towels, goody bags received by HHS, donated by Anisa A., Zaria U., Syeda R. and Maylyn V. – estimated market value \$900
- (500) pairs of travel size toothpastes received by HHS, donated by Safe Embrace – estimated market value \$5,625
- Toiletries, socks, adult diapers, water and sunscreen received by HHS, donated by Hector R. – estimated market value \$815
- (10) boxes new books received by HHS, donated by Sundance Books and Music – estimated market value \$1,000
- (600) adult dental kits received by HHS, donated by Liberty Dental Plan – estimated market value \$1,278

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

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POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: *“Move to accept various items donated totaling an estimated market value of [\$15,397.76] to Washoe County Human Services Agency Homelessness Fund to support welfare activities retroactive for the period March 26, 2024 through June 30, 2024.”*