



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: June 16, 2026

**DATE:** May 15, 2026

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**THROUGH:** Erica Flavin, Justice of the Peace

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to approve and acknowledge a Fiscal Year 2026 allocation from the Administrative Office of the Courts Specialty Court Committee to the Sparks Justice Court [\$1,512.43 for FY26, no match required], paid in one installment retroactive to January 30, 2026, grant end date June 30, 2026; and direct Finance to make the appropriate budget amendments. (All Commission Districts.) **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

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### **SUMMARY**

Sparks Justice Court submitted a letter of request to the Administrative Office of the Courts Specialty Court Committee to receive additional funding for Sparks Recovery Court. On January 30, 2026, the Court received notification that \$1,512.43 had been approved for FY26, to be disbursed in one installment.

The award is being approved retroactively to January 30, 2026, because the award letter was received on that date.

### **Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item:**

Economic Impacts and Vulnerable Populations

### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

Previously, the Board of County Commissioners approved a Specialty Court General Fund Allocation from the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada (JCSN) to the Sparks Justice Court for FY26 in the amount of \$31,550; FY25 in the amount of \$31,550; FY24 in the amount of \$31,550; FY23 in the amount of \$31,550; FY22 in the amount of \$31,550; FY21 in the amount of \$31,550; FY20 in the amount of \$31,550; FY19 in the amount of \$35,050; FY18 in the amount of \$35,050; and FY17 in the amount of \$45,050.

**AGENDA ITEM # \_\_\_\_\_**

**BACKGROUND**

On November 6, 2025, the Sparks Justice Court administration received notification of available funding for local specialty court programs. On January 30, 2026, the Court received notification that \$1,512.43 was awarded to the Sparks Recovery Court.

**GRANT AWARD SUMMARY**

**Project/Program Name:** Sparks Recovery Court

**Scope of the Project:** Additional funding for program expenses.

**Benefit to Washoe County Residents:** The additional funding offsets expenses associated with testing services. Testing is required to track compliance and ultimately helps to reduce recidivism.

**On-Going Program Support:** Ongoing support of this program will be partially funded through program fees paid by participants.

**Award Amount:** \$1,512.43

**Grant Period:** July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026

**Funding Source:** Supreme Court of Nevada, Administrative Office of the Courts

**Pass Through Entity:** N/A

**Assistance Listing #/CFDA:** N/A

**Grant ID Number:** N/A

**Match Amount and Type:** N/A

**Sub-Awards and Contracts:** Sparks Justice Court contracts with professional service providers.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the adopted FY26 budget will be increased by \$1,512.43 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

<b>Cost Object</b>	<b>G/L Account</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Revenue:		
IO 20416	471220-Court Admin Assess	\$1,512.43
Expenditures:		
IO 20416	710101-Lab Testing Services	\$1,512.43

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve and acknowledge a Fiscal Year 2026 allocation from the Administrative Office of the Courts Specialty Court Committee to the Sparks Justice Court [\$1,512.43 for FY26, no match required], paid in one installment retroactive to January 30, 2026, grant end date June 30, 2026; and direct Finance to make the appropriate budget amendments.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be:

*Move that the Board of County Commissioners approve and acknowledge a Fiscal Year 2026 allocation from the Administrative Office of the Courts Specialty Court Committee to the Sparks Justice Court [\$1,512.43 for FY26, no match required], paid in one installment retroactive to January 30, 2026, grant end date June 30, 2026; and direct Finance to make the appropriate budget amendments.*