



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

**BOARD MEETING DATE: April 28, 2026**

**DATE:** April 7, 2026

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**SUBJECT:** Recommendation in accordance with NRS 244.1505, to approve FY26 Community Support grant award to:

1. Gerlach General Improvement District (GGID) in the amount of [\$20,000] to support the restoration of the Historic Water Tower, and Gerlach parks, and Resolution 26-26 for the same.
2. Tahoe Prosperity Center in the amount of [\$9,000] to support Tahoe Inc. Roundtable events and the 2026 Business Walks economic conditions survey and outreach; approve Resolution 26-27 for the same; and
3. Incline Village Crystal Bay Business Association in the amount of [\$10,000]; to support the Incline Village Main Street program; approve Resolution R26-28 for the same.

and direct Finance to make the budget appropriation disbursements.  
(All Commission Districts) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

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### **SUMMARY**

Recommendation to approve a community support grant awards for Gerlach General Improvement District (GGID) in the amount of [\$20,000] to support the restoration of the Historic Water Tower, and Gerlach parks; and Tahoe Prosperity Center in the amount of [\$9,000] to support Tahoe Inc. Roundtable events and the 2026 Business Walks economic conditions survey and outreach; and Incline Village-Crystal Bay Business Association in the amount of [\$10,000]; to support the Incline Village Main Street program

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

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

## **PREVIOUS ACTION**

On September 9, 2025, the Board of County Commissioners approved Community Support funds to Sun Valley General Improvement District (SVGID) in the amount of [\$90,000]; Silver State Fair Housing Council in the amount of [\$10,000]; and The Community Foundation of Northern Nevada to support the Regional Behavioral Health Initiatives Fund, in the amount of [\$20,000] as Washoe County's annual contribution to the Fund for FY26.

On August 26, 2025, the Board of County Commissioners approved Community Support grant awards to: Nevada Tahoe Conservation District (NTCD) in the amount of \$12,3900 for FY26.

On September 10, 2024 the Board of County Commissioners approved, Community Support grant awards to: Sun Valley General Improvement District in the amount of \$90,000 for FY25, and a grant of \$10,000 for Silver State Fair Housing Council.

On December 19, 2023 the Board of County Commissioners approved, pursuant to NRS 244.1505, Community Support grant awards to: Sun Valley General Improvement District in the amount of \$90,000 for FY24.

On June 12, 2023, the Board of County Commissioners approved Community Support grant awards to Silver State Fair Housing Council in the amount of \$20,000 to support fair housing for two years; Truckee Meadows Parks Foundation in the amount of \$10,000 to support Confluence, an artwork in Reno; Gerlach General Improvement District in the amount of \$10,000 to support the restoration of the historic Water Tower; and Artown in the amount of \$50,000 to support the month-long summer arts festival for two years.

On April 25, 2023, the Board of County Commissioners approved Community Support grant awards to Gerlach General Improvement District, a governmental entity, in the amount of [\$10,000] to support the restoration of the historic Water Tower.

Washoe County has been providing funding to support Silver State Fair Housing Council and Artown most years for more than 20 years.

## **BACKGROUND**

Historically, Washoe County has made Community Support funds available to local community-based providers to support services that address diverse health and human service needs in the community or contribute to economic development and quality of life issues. For these projects:

**Gerlach General Improvement District** will provide general maintenance and renovations for the Historic Gerlach Water Tower and the other parks facilities in Gerlach. The Gerlach water tower was built in 1909 by the Utah Construction Company under contract to the Western Pacific Railroad Company. It was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1981.

**Tahoe Prosperity Center** will Tahoe Prosperity Center will provide economic development support through Tahoe Inc. Roundtable events and the 2026 Business Walks economic conditions survey and outreach

**Incline Village-Crystal Bay Business Association** in the amount of [\$10,000]; to support the Incline Village Crystal Bay Main Street program; approve Resolution R25-86 for the same; The Four Points of Main Street are promotion, communication, economic vitality and design. IVCBA will use these funds for communication and community event programs that benefit and engage the entire community while supporting the local economy.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

Sufficient FY26 budget authority exists under the Community Support fund 181-0 in the Office of the County Manager’s FY26 approved budget. This action requests approval and distribution of a total of [\$39,000] as outlined below:

<b>Cost Object &amp; Description</b>	<b>G/L Account &amp; Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
C183110 CS – Gerlach GID	710400 - Payment to Other Agencies	\$20,000
C181100 CS – Tahoe Prosperity	710400 - Payment to Other Agencies	\$9,000
C181100 CS – IVCBA	710400 - Payment to Other Agencies	\$10,000

**RECOMMENDATION**

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**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board accept staff’s recommendation a possible motion would be: *“approve FY26 Community Support grant award to:*

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