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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: July 15, 2025

DATE: Thursday, July 10, 2025

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Candee Ramos, Media and Communications Program Manager, Office of the County Manager, (775) 276-3846, cramos@washoecounty.gov

THROUGH: Kate Thomas, Interim County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve, pursuant to NRS 244.1505, Commission District Special Fund disbursement in the amount of [\$2,500.00] for Fiscal Year 2025-2026; District 2 Commissioner Mike Clark recommends a [\$2,500.00] grant to Reno Initiative for Shelter & Equality (RISE) – a nonprofit organization created for charitable, religious, or educational purposes – to support partner organization Laundry to the People and its mission of aiding unhoused individuals with laundry service; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct Finance to make the necessary disbursement of funds. Manager's Office. (Commission District 2). FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

This item requests the Board to approve Resolutions and disburse district funds in the total amount of [\$2,500.00] for Commission District 2.

Washoe County Strategic Objectives supported by this item:

1. Innovative Services: strengthen our culture of service.
2. Economic Impacts: support a thriving community.

PREVIOUS ACTION

No previous action in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

BACKGROUND

Modification of guidelines and adoption of resolution for County Commission District Special Funding on February 10, 2015, created Commission District Special Funds for each Commission District. On May 20, 2025, the Board of County Commissioners approved the 2025-2026 fiscal year budget with special district funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$100,000.00. The monies appropriated are to support needs for all Washoe County residents.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Funds appropriated through the Commission District Special Funds must provide substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. The recipient must be a non-profit organization, created for religious, charitable, or educational purposes, or a government entity. Funds shall not provide any personal or private benefit for the Commissioners, directly or indirectly benefit any campaign efforts by a commissioner, violate Ethics in Government law, or be used to purchase tickets to special events.

Commissioner Clark has elected to support the following organization in fiscal year 2025-2026:

- A [\$2,500.00] grant to Reno Initiative for Shelter & Equality (RISE) – a nonprofit organization created for charitable, religious, or educational purposes – to support partner organization Laundry to the People and its mission of aiding unhoused individuals with laundry service.

FISCAL IMPACT

Sufficient FY25-26 budget authority exists within the Cost Center District 2 Constituents (C100102) and account Payments to other Agencies (710400). This action requests approval and distribution of a [total of \$2,500.00] to Reno Initiative for Shelter & Equality (RISE).

Expense Disbursement is required as follows:

- Reno Initiative for Shelter & Equality (RISE): \$2,500.00

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation to approve, pursuant to NRS 244.1505, Commission District Special Fund disbursement in the amount of [\$2,500.00] for Fiscal Year 2025-2026; District 2 Commissioner Mike Clark recommends a [\$2,500.00] grant to Reno Initiative for Shelter & Equality (RISE) – a nonprofit organization created for charitable, religious, or educational purposes – to support partner organization Laundry to the People and its mission of aiding unhoused individuals with laundry service; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct Finance to make the necessary disbursement of funds. (Commission District 2).

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: *"Move to approve the recommendation to approve, pursuant to NRS 244.1505, Commission District Special Fund disbursement in the amount of [\$2,500.00] for Fiscal Year 2025-2026; District 2 Commissioner Mike Clark recommends a [\$2,500.00] grant to Reno Initiative for Shelter & Equality (RISE) – a nonprofit organization created for charitable, religious, or educational purposes – to support partner organization Laundry to the People and its mission of aiding unhoused individuals with laundry service; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct Finance to make the necessary disbursement of funds."*