



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: *April 12, 2022*

**DATE:** March 2, 2022

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**FROM:** Marc De La Torre, Community Outreach Coordinator, Office of the County Manager, (775) 225-6332, mdelatorre@washoecounty.gov

**THROUGH:** Eric Brown, County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to approve, pursuant to NRS 244.1505, Commission District Special Fund disbursement in the amount of [\$5,000.00] for Fiscal Year 2021-2022; District 4 Commissioner Vaughn Hartung recommends a [\$5,000.00] grant to Our Story, Inc. --a non-profit organization organized for charitable, educational, or religious purposes - - to support organizational capacity, advance on-going preservation, increase leadership personnel/activity, docent training (programming and interpretation), and marketing surrounding the creation of Northern Nevada African American Firefighter Museum; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursement of funds. (Commission District 4.)

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### **SUMMARY**

This item requests the Board to approve resolution and disburse district funds in the total amount of [\$5,000.00] for Commission District 4.

### **Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item(s):**

1. Economic Impacts: Support a thriving community.
2. Innovative Services: Strengthen our culture of service.

### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

No previous action taken during Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

### **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 18, 2021, the Board of County Commissioners approved the 2021-2022 fiscal year budget with special district funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$100,000. 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 Hartung has elected to support the following organization in fiscal year 2021-2022:

- [\$5,000.00] grant to Our Story, Inc. --a non-profit organization-- to support organizational capacity, advance on-going preservation, increase leadership personnel/activity, docent training (programming and interpretation), and marketing surrounding the creation of Northern Nevada African American Firefighter Museum. Our Story, Inc (OSI) is dedicated to sharing, seeking out, collecting, preserving and exhibiting the contributions, heritage, culture, and accomplishments of people who have not been well represented in Northern Nevada's public image or published history.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Sufficient FY22 budget authority exists within the Cost Center District 4 Constituents (C100104) and account Payments to other Agencies (710400). This action requests approval and distribution of a total of [\$5,000.00] to Our Story, Inc. --a non-profit organization-- to support organizational capacity, advance on-going preservation, increase leadership personnel/activity, docent training (programming and interpretation), and marketing surrounding the creation of Northern Nevada African American Firefighter Museum.

Expense Disbursements are required as follows:

- Our Story, Inc.: \$5,000.00

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Recommendation to approving, pursuant to NRS 244.1505, Commission District Special Fund disbursement in the amount of [\$5,000.00] for Fiscal Year 2021-2022; District 4 Commissioner Vaughn Hartung recommends a [\$5,000.00] grant to Our Story, Inc. --a non-profit organization-- to support organizational capacity, advance on-going preservation, increase leadership personnel/activity, docent training (programming and interpretation), and marketing surrounding the creation of Northern Nevada African American Firefighter Museum.; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursement of funds. (Commission District 4.)

**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 [\$5,000.00] for Fiscal Year 2021-2022; District 4 Commissioner Vaughn Hartung recommends a [\$5,000.00] grant to Our Story, Inc. --a non-profit organization-- to support organizational capacity, advance on-going preservation, increase leadership personnel/activity, docent training (programming and interpretation), and marketing surrounding the creation of Northern Nevada African American Firefighter Museum.; approve Resolution necessary for same; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary disbursement of funds.”*