

# WASHOE COUNTY

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# STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: April 12, 2022

**DATE:** Thursday, April 07, 2022

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**FROM:** Amber Howell, Director, Human Services Agency

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**THROUGH:** Kate Thomas, Assistant County Manager

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to accept the FY22 Federal Title IV-B Subpart 2

Caseworker Visits subaward from the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services to support caseworker visits in the amount of [\$38,859.00; \$13,653.00 county match] retroactive to October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2022; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the grant award and related documents; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

(All Commission Districts).

## **SUMMARY**

The Human Services Agency recommends the Board accept the FY22 Federal Title IV-B Subpart 2 Caseworker Visits subaward from the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services to support caseworker visits in the amount of [\$38,859.00; \$13,653.00 county match] retroactive to October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the grant award and related documents; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: <u>Vulnerable Populations</u>

#### **PREVIOUS ACTION**

On May 26, 2020, the Board approved item 8.F.3, the acceptance of \$35,588 in funding for the Federal Title IV-B Subpart 2 from the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services to support caseworker visits.

On January 8, 2019, the Board approved item 8.E.2, the acceptance of \$33,017 in funding for the Federal Title IV-B Subpart 2 from the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services to support caseworker visits.

On November 14, 2017, the Board approved item 5.C, the acceptance of \$30,514 in funding for the Federal Title IV-B Subpart 2 from the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services to support caseworker visits.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Retroactive approval is requested due to the Human Services Agency receiving the Notice of Subaward on March 16, 2022.

Case Workers are required to have monthly face-to-face contact with each child on their caseload, including those in out-of-state treatment facilities, or in their out-of-home placement. Workers are also required to have visits with children and their families once the child has been reunified with their parents.

Additionally, based on the risk level assigned to each case and the services provided to each family, workers might be required to make up to four monthly face-to-face visits with children who remain in the home to monitor their safety. The goal of this grant is to assist with overtime costs to facilitate compliance with policies regarding caseworker visits.

## **GRANT AWARD SUMMARY**

**Project/Program Name:** FY22 Title IVB Subpart 2 Caseworker Visits

**Scope of the Project:** The purpose of this grant is to assist with overtime costs to facilitate compliance with policies regarding caseworker visits.

**Benefit to Washoe County Residents:** Caseworkers will comply with the agency requirement to visit children monthly in support of the case plan.

**On-Going Program Support:** Overtime is supported within the Agency's approved budget.

**Award Amount:** \$38,859.00

**Grant Period:** October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022

**Funding Source:** Department of Health and Human Services

Administration for Children and Families

**Pass Through Entity:** State of Nevada

Division of Child and Family Services

**CFDA Number:** 93.556

**Grant ID Number:** 93556-21-103

Match Amount and Type: \$13,653.00, cash match

**Sub-Awards and Contracts:** N/A

#### FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award and approve these amendments, the FY22 Human Services Agency's Child Protective Services Fund (F228) adopted budget will be increased by \$38,859.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Account		<u>Description</u>	Amount of	
<u>Number</u>			Increase/(Decrease)	
IO 11985	- 431100	Federal Grants	\$	38,859.00
		<b>Total Revenue</b>	\$	38,859.00
IO 11985	-701300	Overtime	\$	38,859.00
		Total Expenditures	\$	38,859.00

No indirect costs have been included in the grant award. Funding of \$13,653.00 for the match requirement is included in the Agency's adopted FY22 budget in Fund 228 and will be tracked in IO 60439.

# RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners accept the FY22 Federal Title IV-B Subpart 2 Caseworker Visits subaward from the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services to support caseworker visits in the amount of [\$38,859.00; \$13,653.00 county match] retroactive to October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the grant award and related documents; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments.

#### POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "move to accept the FY22 Federal Title IV-B Subpart 2 Caseworker Visits subaward from the State of Nevada, Division of Child and Family Services to support caseworker visits in the amount of [\$38,859.00; \$13,653.00 county match] retroactive to October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022; authorize the Director of the Human Services Agency to retroactively execute the grant award and related documents; and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget amendments."