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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: August 25, 2026

DATE: July 15, 2026

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Samantha Turner, Division Director, Finance and Customer Service,
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SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept cash donations totaling \$23,838.53:
[\$1,345.00 to general donations for Regional Parks and Open Space,
Bartley Ranch, \$16,100.00 for Lazy 5 Summer Music Series, \$1,390.00
for Bowers Park Programs on the Porch, \$3,701.00 for CIFTC Music
Series]; [\$244.53 from the donation drop box at the May Museum];
[\$1,058.00 to the Arboretum for bricks, general maintenance and support]
and accept in-kind donations from May Arboretum Society [valued at
\$87,646.68] for Regional Parks and Open Space programs and facilities;
and direct Finance to make the appropriate budget amendments. (All
Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

Accept donations in the amount of \$23,838.53 in cash from various businesses, organizations and individuals for Regional Parks and Open Space programs and facilities and accept in-kind donations from May Arboretum Society valued at \$87,646.68, retroactive to date of receipt.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Fiscal Sustainability:
Long-term sustainability.

PREVIOUS ACTION

Donations are made to the Regional Parks and Open Space programs and facilities and formally accepted by the Board of County Commissioners.

BACKGROUND

The residents of Washoe County support our parks, open space and natural resources through their generous cash contributions, donations of materials, supplies and services and volunteer time. Cash donations, in the amount of \$23,838.53 have been received for park maintenance, improvements, programming, and to assist with the safety and comfort for Washoe County residents, therefore, retroactive approval to accept these donations is being sought.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

Cash donations received at this time are dedicated to general donations to the Bowers Park Programs on the Porch, Lazy 5 Summer Music Series, CIFTC Music Series, and Bartley Ranch. Tree and brick donations and general maintenance support for the Arboretum and general donation support to the May Museum.

Estimated values of in-kind donations received include the May Arboretum Society for general support to the May Arboretum.

Donor	Amount	Program
<u>Cash Donations:</u>		
Various donors	\$ 3,701.00	General donations to CIFTC Music Series
Various donors	\$ 1,390.00	General donations to Bowers Programs on the Porch
Red Robin	\$ 1,000.00	General donations to Bartley Ranch
Various donors	\$ 16,100.00	General donations to Lazy 5 Summer Music Series
Glen Atkinson	\$ 345.00	General donations to Parks & Open Space
Total General Donations	<u>\$ 22,536.00</u>	
Various donors	\$ 244.53	May Museum-general donations
Various donors	\$ 1,058.00	Arboretum -Bricks and general maintenance support
Total May Center Donations	<u>\$ 1,302.53</u>	
Total Cash Donations	<u>\$ 23,838.53</u>	

Donor	Estimated Value	Program
<u>In-kind Donations:</u>		
May Arboretum Society	\$ 87,646.68	General Arboretum support
Total In-kind Donations	<u>\$ 87,646.68</u>	

Thank you and recognition is extended to all the donors for their continued support of natural and cultural resource management and community programming.

FISCAL IMPACT

Cash donations in the amount of \$22,536.00 for various Regional Parks and Open Space facilities, programs and events have been deposited into Park Donations (IN20020). Wilbur D. May Museum donations in the amount of \$244.53 have been deposited into the May Museum (C640200) and donations in the amount of \$1,058.00 for the Arboretum have been deposited into the May Arboretum donation account (IN20034).

Should the Board accept these donations, the FY27 budget will need to be amended in the following accounts:

<u>Increase Revenue</u>		
IN20020-484000	\$ 22,536.00	Regional Parks Donations
C640200-484000	\$ 244.53	May Museum Donations
IN20034-484000	\$ 1,058.00	May Arboretum Donations
Total	<u>\$ 23,838.53</u>	
<u>Increase Expenditures</u>		
IN20020-710300	\$ 22,536.00	Repairs & Maintenance-Rancho San Rafael
C640200-710500	\$ 244.53	Other Expenses - Museum Donations
IN20034-710500	\$ 1,058.00	Other Expenses - Arboretum Donations
Total	<u>\$ 23,838.53</u>	

These generous donations allow Regional Parks and Open Space the ability to offer additional programming, needed repairs, and maintenance for facilities that are not supported by other funding sources and to support volunteer efforts within the park system.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board to accept cash donations totaling \$23,838.53: [\$1,345.00 to general donations for Regional Parks and Open Space, Bartley Ranch, \$16,100.00 for Lazy 5 Summer Music Series, \$1,390.00 for Bowers Park Programs on the Porch, \$3,701.00 for CIFTC Music Series]; [\$244.53 from the donation drop box at the May Museum]; [\$1,058.00 to the Arboretum for bricks, general maintenance and support] and accept in-kind donations from May Arboretum Society [valued at \$87,646.68] for Regional Parks and Open Space programs and facilities; 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 to accept cash donations totaling \$23,838.53: [\$1,345.00 to general donations for Regional Parks and Open Space, Bartley Ranch, \$16,100.00 for Lazy 5 Summer Music Series, \$1,390.00 for Bowers Park Programs on the Porch, \$3,701.00 for CIFTC Music Series]; [\$244.53 from the donation drop box at the May Museum]; [\$1,058.00 to the Arboretum for bricks, general maintenance and support] and accept in-kind donations from May Arboretum Society [valued at \$87,646.68] for Regional Parks and Open Space programs and facilities; and direct Finance to make the appropriate budget amendments."