

# WASHOE COUNTY

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# STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: September 17, 2024

**DATE:** Thursday, September 12, 2024

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation to approve an extension to the agreement with the

Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for the Provision of Non-urbanized Paratransit Services for Senior Citizens and People with Disabilities of the Washoe County Senior Services Gerlach and Incline Village Senior Transportation Programs in the amount of [\$29,000.00; no county match], retroactive to July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; and retroactively authorize the Contracts and Purchasing Manager to execute

the agreement. (Commission Districts 1 and 5.)

# **SUMMARY**

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Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations

#### PREVIOUS ACTION

On July 11, 2023, the Board approved an extension to the agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for a Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program to provide for the transportation of senior citizens and people with disabilities in the amount of [\$29,000], retroactive to July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024.

On August 16, 2022, the Board approved an extension to the agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for a Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program to provide for the transportation of senior citizens and people with disabilities in the amount of [\$29,000], retroactive to July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023.

On July 20, 2021, the Board approved an extension to the agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for a Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program to provide

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for the transportation of senior citizens and people with disabilities in the amount of [\$29,000], retroactive to July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

On July 28, 2020, the Board approved an extension to the agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for a Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program to provide for the transportation of senior citizens and people with disabilities in the amount of \$29,000 retroactive to July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021.

The department has received funding from RTC for senior and disabled individuals' transportation programs for Gerlach since FY2002 and for Incline Village since 2005. The last agreement was approved by the Board on October 13, 2009. The Regional Transportation Commission has exercised the option to extend the agreement each fiscal year since 2014.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) provides grant funding to support transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities in the remote areas of Washoe County. Washoe County Senior Services was originally awarded Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program funding in July 2009 for two transportation programs, one for Gerlach and one for Incline Village.

The funding for the Washoe County Senior Services Incline Village Senior Transportation Program will be passed through to the Incline Village General Improvement District (IVGID) who utilizes their staff and vehicles to provide transportation to seniors in need.

The funding for the Washoe County Senior Services Gerlach Senior Transportation Program is used to contract with a driver who utilizes a county vehicle.

The request to approve this extension to the agreement is retroactive due to Board meeting availability.

#### **GRANT AWARD SUMMARY**

**Project/Program Name:** Non-Urbanized Paratransit Program –

Gerlach and Incline Village

**Scope of the Project:** Transportation services are provided in isolated regions of Washoe County, specifically Gerlach and Incline Village, to assist seniors and people with disabilities with accessing services such as grocery shopping and doctors' appointments outside of their city limits.

**Benefit to Washoe County Residents:** Enhanced access to transportation increases the quality of life for seniors and people with disabilities residing in secluded regions of Washoe County.

**On-Going Program Support:** The current agreement has been in place since 2009 and has been extended annually.

Award Amount: \$29,000.00 (\$29,000.00 direct/\$0 Indirect)

\$12,000.00 (Gerlach) and \$17,000 (Incline Village)

**Grant Period:** July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025

**Funding Source:** RTC Fuel Tax and RTC Sales Tax

**Pass Through Entity:** N/A

**Assistance Listing #/CFDA:** N/A

**Grant ID Number:** N/A

**Match Amount and Type:** No match is required.

**Sub-Awards and Contracts:** For FY25 a contract for transportation services to/from Gerlach will be renewed with Cindy Carter, and Incline Village General Improvement District (IVGID) who will submit invoices for services provided to/from the Incline Village region.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

This award was anticipated and included in the FY25 Senior Services Fund (225) adopted budget in internal orders 10208 RTC – Gerlach and 10440 RTC – Incline Village. No budget amendments are necessary.

Indirect costs are not allowable on this grant award as no salary or wages are included in the grant budget. No match is required for this grant award.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

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# **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to approve an extension to the agreement with the Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for the Provision of Non-urbanized Paratransit Services for Senior Citizens and People with Disabilities of the Washoe County Senior Services Gerlach and Incline Village Senior Transportation Programs in the amount of [\$29,000.00; no county match], retroactive to July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; and retroactively authorize the Contracts and Purchasing Manager to execute the agreement."