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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: July 14, 2026

DATE: Thursday, July 09, 2026

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Pamela Mann, Agency Director, Human Services Agency
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THROUGH: Ryan Gustafson, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve an Interlocal Contract between the Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education on behalf of the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) and Washoe County to implement StreetReach, a program designed to expand access to basic medical care, screening and referral services for individuals experiencing homelessness in Washoe County; and if approved, authorize the Purchasing and Contracts Manager to execute the Contract. (All Commission Districts).

SUMMARY

Recommendation to approve an Interlocal Contract between the Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education on behalf of the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) and Washoe County to implement StreetReach, a program designed to expand access to basic medical care, screening and referral services for individuals experiencing homelessness in Washoe County; and if approved, authorize the Purchasing and Contracts Manager to execute the Contract.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Vulnerable Populations

PREVIOUS ACTION

No previous action

BACKGROUND

This Interlocal Contract will create a partnership between Washoe County and UNR to implement the StreetReach program. Street Reach, a project of the Orvis School of Nursing and the Larson Institute-School of Public Health, is designed to expand access to basic medical care, screening, and referral services for individuals experiencing homelessness in Washoe County. Services will be provided at the Northern Nevada Cares Campus as well as in surrounding areas, including Safe Camp.

Under this program, UNR will provide a StreetReach team consisting of licensed nursing faculty, nursing students, public health faculty and students, a program coordinator, a

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community health worker, and a phlebotomist. This team will provide wound care, HIV, hepatitis B virus (HBV), or hepatitis C virus (HCV) testing, and basic first aid services on the street, as well as HIV, HBV and HCV testing at Cares Campus and Safe Camp.

This is a zero-dollar agreement. However, the County is responsible for purchasing two HMIS licenses for use by the UNR team. Funds have been identified in the FY27 budget to support these expenses.

FISCAL IMPACT

This is a zero-dollar agreement, and thus, there is no fiscal impact tied directly to this Interlocal. However, as a requirement of this agreement, the County will purchase two HMIS licenses for use by the UNR team. Sufficient authority for these purchases exists in the FY27 Human Services Agency, Homelessness Fund (F223) adopted budget in Cost Center 223400 (Homelessness Services Administration).

RECOMMENDATION

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POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with the staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be:
"Move to approve an Interlocal Contract between the Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education on behalf of the University of Nevada, Reno (UNR) and Washoe County to implement StreetReach, a program designed to expand access to basic medical care, screening and referral services for individuals experiencing homelessness in Washoe County; and if approved, authorize the Purchasing and Contracts Manager to execute the Contract."