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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: February 12, 2019
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: **Phebe Bell**
SUBJECT: Resolution approving the renewal Continuum of Care Program Grant Agreement Number CA1262L9T151703 with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for funding for the Home Anew Project in the maximum amount of \$24,950 with the Agreement commencing as of the date of execution by HUD for the performance period of June 1, 2018 through May 31, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: The grant funding provided under this Agreement is from Federal dollars provided through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and as Governed by Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act and the Continuum of Care Program rule. Funds received under this Agreement will be used to support ongoing project costs associated with rental assistance and administration to help program participants obtain and remain in permanent housing. Funding was anticipated in the Department's budget and there are no general fund dollars required in this Agreement.

BACKGROUND: The causes of homelessness are many and complex, and homeless individuals have diverse needs. There is no single, simple solution to the problem of homelessness because of the different sub-population of the homeless, the different causes and reasons for homelessness, and the different needs of the homeless individuals. The Supportive Housing Program (SHP) is authorized by Title IV, Subtitle C, of the McKinney-Vento Assistance Act of 1987. It is designed to promote, as part

of local Continuum of Care Strategy, the development of long-term, community-based housing and supportive services for homeless persons with disabilities.

In 2010, the Nevada County Homeless Coordinating Council and the Placer Consortium on Homelessness agreed to merge and become the Nevada-Placer Continuum of Care (CoC), Homeless Resource Council of the Sierras (HRCS), a practice encouraged by HUD, in order to achieve improved coordination of services and more efficient resource allocation and regional planning to address homelessness. The CoC submitted and was a successful applicant to receive this Continuum of Care Grant Award funding to be used to support rental and administrative costs related to operation of the County's supportive housing program. The goals of the project are to:

- Help program participants obtain and remain in permanent housing;
- Increase the number of affordable options available to recipients; and
- Ensure the provision of community supports necessary to assist recipients in succeeding in securing housing and to meaningfully integrate recipients into the community.

It is recommended that the Board approve this renewal Agreement, as it will provide funding assistance to support safe, affordable, supportive housing for community members with a mental health need.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Phebe Bell, MSW, Behavioral Health Director