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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Board Agenda Memo** 

**MEETING DATE:** June 28, 2016

TO: **Board of Supervisors** 

FROM: Mike Dent

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of a Contract with Victor Community

Support Services related to upgrading audio and visual equipment to limit technical barriers for families in the maximum amount of \$15,000 for the

term of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** This contract is supported by CIF (Community Initiative Fund) dollars which are set aside from County general funds and annually awarded to local nonprofits to support meaningful local projects.

**BACKGROUND:** The County in conjunction with the Adult and Family Services Commission (AFSC) issued a Request for Funding (RFF) for Community Initiative Fund (CIF) dollars to provide a funding opportunity for local non-profits, to support a worthy project that would have a beneficial impact for residents of Nevada County. After extensive review by the Adult and Family Services Commission of the submitted proposals, the Commission's recommendation was to award CIF funding, pending Board of Supervisors' approval, to Victor Community Support Services.

Victor Community Support Services (VCSS) will use CIF funding to upgrade their audio and visual equipment to their large training room. Low income youth and families will be provided with state-of-the art training, education and support services using evidence based practices, in a professional, safe, easily accessible environment in Grass Valley. Evidence based practices include Parent Project Training, Moral Reconation Training, Boys Council, Girls Circle, Aggression Replacement Training, HealthRHYTHMS, Mental Health First Aid, and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Groups which are provided to over 150 youth and families annually.

The upgrade of the audio and visual equipment will:

1. Limit technical barriers in the delivery of training, education and support services.

- 2. Improve the audio and visual experience of the participant.
- 3. Offer wireless capability to facilitators and community partners and easy to use audio and visual equipment
- 4. Assist clients with integrating into sustainable self-sufficient living situations.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Agreement as it will help improve the lives of families living with the impacts of mental illness, drug and alcohol addiction, and juvenile delinquency.

**Item Initiated and Approved by:** Mike Dent, Director of Social Services