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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: October 13, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Mike Dent – Housing & Community Services**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution an Agreement between the Homeless Resource Council of the Sierras (HRCS) and the County of Nevada to provide \$50,000 in funding to the County to support County Non-Congregant Shelter (NCS) operations and Authorizing and Directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Health and Human Services Agency Housing and Community Services Division's Budget for Fiscal Year 2020/21. (4/5 vote required)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached resolution.

FUNDING: Funds are from an allocation of Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) funds provided to the Homeless Resource Council of the Sierras (HRCS) by the State of California Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency's (BCSHA) Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC). Funds are to be fully expended by June 30, 2025. A budget amendment is included and requires a 4/5 vote by the Board Members. There are no County general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: On December 6, 2019, The Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) announced the availability of Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) grant funding. HHAP is a \$650 million block grant program designed to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address immediate homelessness challenges throughout the state. HHAP was authorized by AB 101 (Committee on Budget, Chapter 159, Statutes of 2019), which was signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom on July 31, 2019.

HHAP funding was provided to local communities through direct allocations to Counties and Continuum of Care (CoC) organizations with the County receiving \$452,905 and the CoC receiving \$500,000. In April of 2020, County Staff presented this Board with a resolution accepting the County allocated HHAP funds and a budget describing how the funds would be used. The CoC received its HHAP allocation and voted to provide an additional \$50,000 in CoC-allocated funds to support County efforts to provide emergency NCS operations to vulnerable homeless residents. This resolution authorizes the Director of Child Support, Collections and Housing and Community Services to sign and enter into an agreement with the HRCS for this funding.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Agreement, as it will provide funding assistance to address critical needs in line with strategic objectives to address homelessness in Nevada County.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Mike Dent, Director – Housing and Community Services