

## NEVADA COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

## BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

(Mental Health, Drug and Alcohol Program)

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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Board Agenda Memo** 

**MEETING DATE:** May 8, 2018

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Phebe Bell

**SUBJECT:** Resolution accepting funds from the Department of Finance for

the Community-Based Transitional Housing Program in the amount of \$1,945,000 and authorizing and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Behavioral Health Department's Budget

for FY 2017/18. (4/5 Vote Required)

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** These are state funds from the California Department of Finance pursuant to Senate Bill 837. The funds have been received and deposited, and there is no set timeframe for their expenditure. A budget amendment is included that accounts for receipt of the full grant and some limited 17/18 expenditures related to direct residential treatment costs and facility improvement costs. There are no General Fund dollars required.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Senate Bill 837 established the Community-Based Transitional Housing Program, for the purpose of providing grants to cities and counties to operate transitional housing programs that provide additional services such as substance use treatment. Nevada County Behavioral Health applied for \$2,000,000 of grant funding and was awarded \$1,945,000. The grant must be used for a single facility, and the County applied to use the funding at the Bost House.

The County owns and contracts out the operation of the Bost House, a residential treatment center located in Nevada City. One of the programs planned for the Bost House is transitional housing residential treatment, along with recovery and treatment of alcohol and drug dependency. The program will serve clients referred from Probation, Behavioral Health and Social Services.

A local service provider, Community Recovery Resources (CoRR), was selected through a Request for Proposal process to operate the Bost House starting in FY17-18. Nevada County Behavioral Health intends to operate the Bost House as a residential treatment facility for a minimum of ten years.

Nevada County Behavioral Health will use the grant funds to provide start up, further capital improvements, and sustainability for this community based residential treatment center that will benefit the local population. The grant funds will also support face to face interactions with neighborhood residents, regular communication with county probation staff and the service provider, implementation of strategies to reduce recidivism and more.

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