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HOUSING & COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: August 26, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Tyler Barrington, Housing and Community Services Director

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing execution of a renewal contract with Nevada-

Sierra Connecting Point Public Authority for the provision of the Coordinated Entry System in the maximum amount of \$55,694 for the

contract term of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: Funding for this contract is available from Health and Human Services Agency fund 1589-50601. There are no general funds required and a budget amendment is not needed.

BACKGROUND: In 2017, the Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) mandated that all Continuum of Care organizations across the nation implement a Coordinated Entry System (CES). Also referred to as the "No Wrong Door" approach, CES provided a centralized access and referral process for all household experiencing homelessness and searching for a shelter, housing assistance and supportive services.

That same year, Placer and Nevada Counties, working with the Homeless Resource Council of the Sierras (HRCS), opted to provide funding to Nevada-Sierra Connecting Point Public Authority to provide administration of the CES including leveraging its existing call center to provide call-in access for County residents experiencing homelessness to be rapidly referred to shelter and housing assistance programs.

Since that time, Nevada-Sierra Connecting Point Public Authority has provided these services to both counties in compliance with all HUD and HRCS requirements and has remained a central component of the County and HRCS response to homelessness.

As the scope and responsibility of homeless services have changed since 2017, the Health and Human Services Agency has worked closely with the Homeless Resource Council of the Sierras (HRCS) and with Nevada Sierra Connecting Point to best serve those at risk of homelessness,

including shifting administration of Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) program dollars used to fund coordinated entry services to HRCS. This continued consideration of the best administration of coordinated entry resulted in a delayed contract for services before the Board today.

It is recommended that the Board approve this agreement, as the services provided will meet HUD mandates to operate such a system within the region, and continue to provide services that rapidly connect households experiencing homelessness to services and housing.

Item Initiated by: Eric Zibbel, Housing Project Manager

Approved by: Tyler Barrington, Housing and Community Services Director