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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: January 10, 2023

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Craig Griesbach, Director Office of Emergency Services**

SUBJECT: Resolution accepting the United Way of Nevada County Grant for the Nevada County Access and Functional Needs Program, Phase I in the amount of \$24,000.00 during the period December 15, 2022 through April 2, 2023 and ratifying the execution of the Grant Agreement signed December 15, 2022 by the Director of Emergency Services and authorizing the Director of Emergency Services to execute all additional documents required to fulfill the requirements of the grant on behalf of the County of Nevada

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: The \$24,000.00 in grant funds will be received in the Office of Emergency Services budget. A budget amendment is included in a concurrent resolution SR23-0024.

BACKGROUND:

United Way of Nevada County received grant funds via the United Way of the Wine Country in the amount of \$24,000.00 to support wildfire mitigation activities in Nevada County.

The Nevada County Access and Functional Needs Program, Phase I was identified as an opportunity to use the grant funds to help mitigate the threat of wildfire by providing residents of Nevada County with defensible space assistance to reduce hazardous vegetation around their residences. The Nevada County Access and Functional Needs Program, Phase I is being funded by FEMA, however, in the time since the grant application was submitted the cost of doing the work and the level of implementation activities needed has increased. United Way grant funds will provide additional funding to the implementation activities so that sufficient defensible space is provided to participants in the program.

Phase I of HMGP DR-4344 -703-150R consists of defensible space treatment on 45

properties that have been pre-qualified and pre-inspected, along with pre-inspections of an additional 365 homes that would be eligible for treatment in Phase II. The treatment prescription is for the management of vegetation within 100 feet of structures and up to 300 feet depending on home siting, vegetation type, and overall fuel loading. In addition, as funding allows, treatment will include 10 feet along the road/driveway shoulder with a 15-foot vertical clearance for emergency equipment response.

Item Initiated by: Alex Keeble-Toll, Senior Administrative Analyst, OES

Approved by: Craig Griesbach, Director, OES