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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: March 27, 2018

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Yolande Wilburn, Interim County Librarian

SUBJECT: Resolution accepting the 2018 funding commitment from the Friends of the Nevada County Libraries for \$51,450 for collection development and programming, for use during the period January 1, 2018, to December 31, 2018, and directing the Auditor Controller to amend the Library 2017/18 fiscal year budget to reflect the additional revenue and related expenses.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the resolution.

FUNDING: The funding commitment from the Friends of the Nevada County Libraries for the 2018 calendar year is \$51,450, which includes \$9,000 received by the Friends from the William and Marian Ghidotti Foundation and \$2,498 in restricted donations (such as memorials). The Library is requesting that the FY 17/18 budget be amended to increase revenues by \$25,725, which represents the amount of the 2018 FOL Commitment that will be spent before the end of FY 17/18. There is no impact on the General Fund.

BACKGROUND: The Friends of the Nevada County Libraries (Friends) have raised funds in support of enhancing library operations in western Nevada County for decades. Throughout the year, they hold monthly book sales of previously-owned books and discarded library materials, as well as ongoing in-library book sales. Since 2011, the Friends have given the libraries in western Nevada County more than \$340,000. Donations from the Friends have enhanced library services to the public through purchasing library materials, furnishings, facilities repair, and through sponsored library programming, particularly children's programs.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Nevada and the Friends of the Libraries of Nevada County describes the process by which the Friends will make an annual commitment of funding to support the Libraries.

In the 2016 and 2017 calendar years, the Friends funded collection development, children's programming, and volunteer recognition. In the 2018 calendar year, Friends' funding will go primarily towards programming for children, teens, and adults. Restricted donations will be used to purchase materials, provide furnishings and for volunteer recognition at library branches in western Nevada County. This Resolution includes the approval and acceptance of the commitment received in 2018 from the Friends.

The Library administration and staff are very appreciative of the financial support given by the Friends of the Nevada County Libraries, as well as their assistance with programs and events throughout the year.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Yolande Wilburn, Interim County Librarian