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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: October 13, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Jill Blake**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of the renewal Standard Agreement No. 20-10534 with the California Department of Public Health, Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch (CLPPB), for funding the County's Childhood Lead Prevention Program for the term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 in the maximum amount of \$281,610.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: These are State/Federal discretionary funds. The agreement provides funding annually for three (3) years. Funding will be used to support department personnel costs, operating expenses, travel and subcontracts associated with the County's lead poisoning prevention program. Funding was anticipated in the Department's budget and there are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: The Public Health Department submitted its renewal RFA (Request Funding Application) and was approved by the State Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Branch for continuation of funding for fiscal years: 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23. The attached Agreement awards this funding from the State for continuation of lead poisoning prevention education activities, and the tracking and case management of childhood lead poisoning cases throughout the County of Nevada. The local Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program is charged with providing education to the community, families and health care providers regarding lead poisoning, as well as the provision of direct case management for children who test positive for high levels of blood lead. Childhood lead poisoning, even at very low levels, can cause a range of irreversible cognitive and physical disabilities.

Public Health and Environmental Health continue to work with a wide range of local agencies, community businesses and organizations to disseminate information on lead related hazards and safety requirements and to coordinate prevention and testing activities.

It is recommended that the Board approve this renewal agreement, as it finances the ongoing outreach and education to the community and medical providers to encourage parents to have their children ages 12 months and 24 months tested. It also enables case management services by a Public Health Nurse to be provided to persons with elevated blood lead levels.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Jill Blake, MPA, Director of Public Health