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### DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Board Agenda Memo

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**MEETING DATE:** June 24, 2025

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Rachel Peña**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving execution of a renewal contract with The Salvation Army for the provision of CalFresh outreach and shelter services at the Booth Family Center for CalWORKs families, in the maximum amount of \$181,900 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** Services are funded by Single Allocation funds, CalWORKs Housing Support Program funds, and CalFresh outreach funds. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement. These services are included in the department's FY 2025/26 proposed budget.

**BACKGROUND:** Under this agreement, the Salvation Army will provide CalFresh outreach and shelter services at the Booth Family Center, providing shelter and support for CalWORKs participant families.

CalWORKs is a safety net program with a primary goal of reducing program dependency while increasing self-sufficiency through employment. Homelessness affects an individual's ability to achieve or maintain employment. Services meeting basic needs, such as bathing facilities and a safe environment for adequate sleep, are crucial to a participant's success.

The Booth Family Center is a year-round transitional housing facility in Western Nevada County that provides shelter and support to homeless families in a safe, drug- and alcohol-free environment. The Center is a valuable resource for housing insecure families participating in the CalWORKs program.

Under this agreement, the Contractor will provide shelter to families referred by the County Department of Social Services. Families must be pre-authorized for services by County staff, and County staff determines the length of occupancy for each family, subject to the Booth Family

Center's Agreement for Program Participation and Length of Stay policies.

The Salvation Army will additionally provide case management services for the referred families occupying these rooms. The Case Manager will appropriately address the multifaceted barriers that impact the client's progress towards self-sufficiency.

Unhoused CalWORKs clients will receive help with accessing safe, stable housing, domestic violence counseling, childcare, health care, employment, and training. The Contractor will work closely with County staff to ensure CalWORKs-sponsored services are not duplicated. The Contractor will refer CalWORKs clients to available community services and programs, including the One-Stop Business and Career Center, to enhance clients' opportunities for success.

CalFresh outreach and application assistance will be included in the services Salvation Army provides to all who seek their assistance through non-county funded programs, such as utility, food, and housing programs.

It is recommended that the attached renewal contract be approved, as the services provided will address barriers to self-sufficiency and assist clients to move from dependence on public assistance to a life of financial independence. This is also an important part of our safety net services to prevent families from becoming homeless.

**Approved by:** Rachel Peña, LCSW Director of Social Services