



# COUNTY OF NEVADA HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Board Agenda Memo

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**MEETING DATE:** January 22, 2019

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Mike Dent**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution authorizing participation in the No Place Like Home Program (NPLH) and Submission of the competitive application for NPLH Funds, and Resolution Approving the noncompetitive allocation of \$500,000 under NPLH.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached resolutions.

**FUNDING:** The NPLH program funding referenced in these resolutions is from the State of California, pursuant to an appropriation provided by Government Code section 15463, Part 3.9 of Division 5 (commencing with Section 5849.1) of the Welfare and Institutions Code, and Welfare and Institutions Code section 5890. If NPLH funds are awarded, the resolutions authorize County staff to accept the funds.

**BACKGROUND:** NPLH was established by Part 3.9 of Division 5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code (commencing with Section 5849.1) and enacted in 2016 to further the purposes of the Mental Health Services Act. In November of 2018, voters approved Proposition 2, settling a court challenge and fully funding and implementing the NPLH program.

The purpose of the NPLH program is to provide financing for acquisition, design, construction, rehabilitation and preservation costs, and to capitalize operating reserves for permanent supportive housing for individuals living with a serious mental illness who are homeless, chronically homeless, or at-risk of chronic homelessness.

On October 24, 2018, a review panel selected Foothill House of Hospitality as the Development Sponsor and began the process of formalizing an agreement to work collaboratively to apply for noncompetitive and competitive NPLH funds and any other funds deemed eligible to support this housing project. On January 8th, 2019, the Board approved an MOU delineating the roles and responsibilities of the County, the project Development Sponsor, and the Regional Housing

Authority related to the planning, construction, and operation of NPLH supportive housing units on property located at 936 Old Tunnel Road, Grass Valley, CA 95945.

The purpose of this item is to finalize the NPLH application process. Two resolutions are required by state NPLH guidelines to be adopted by the Board in order to apply for competitive and noncompetitive funds: 1) A resolution authorizing the County to participate in the NPLH Program and submission of the competitive application for NPLH program funds as a co-applicant with the Development Sponsor and, 2) a resolution approving acceptance of the noncompetitive allocation of \$500,000 NPLH funds.

Both resolutions commit the County, through its Behavioral Health Department to provide a minimum of (20) years of supportive services to the NPLH units.

These resolutions are required to be included in the NPLH project application and will be joined by a separate resolution passed by the board of the Development Sponsor that will authorize the Development Sponsor to apply and be responsible for the competitive funds (the “NPLH Loan”) up to the amount authorized by Section 102 of the Guidelines and applicable state law,

In accordance with NPLH program guidelines, the Development Sponsor intends to use the NPLH noncompetitive funds as a source of leverage in the application for the competitive NPLH program funds.

It is recommended that the Board approve the resolutions to authorize participation in the NPLH Program and acceptance of the noncompetitive NPLH allocated funding and to authorize the County to submit a competitive NPLH project proposal as a co-applicant with the Development Sponsor, Hospitality House, and the Developer, Regional Housing Authority.

**Item Initiated and Approved by:** Mike Dent, Director of Child Support, Collections, Housing & Community Services