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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 26, 2016

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Mike Dent**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of the Standard Agreement Number 16F-5544 with the State Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) for 2016 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Targeted Initiative Funding in the maximum amount of \$17,000 for the Agreement term of June 15, 2016 through December 31, 2016 and authorizing and directing the Auditor- Controller to amend the Health and Human Services Agency - Housing Division's budget for Fiscal Year 2016/17. This item requires a 4/5 affirmative vote.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution

FUNDING: The County annually receives Federal Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds to support local services to low income residents of Nevada County. CSD has released discretionary contracts with an initial release of \$17,000 to all agencies. Receipt of funding was not anticipated and this item includes a department budget amendment. The Agreement requires no County general fund dollars.

BACKGROUND:

The purpose of the Targeted Initiative Contract is to provide discretionary funds to support Community Action Agency training and technical assistance needs that will enable agencies to build capacity and operate more efficiently to meet Organizational Standards recently adopted by CSD. CSD is providing an equal amount of discretionary funds to all CSBG eligible entities. The Organizational Standards adopted by CSD and the Federal Office of Community Services are meant to provide a standardized means to measure an agencies efficiency and effectiveness in meeting programmatic goals.

Contractors participating in Targeted Initiative projects shall administer and/or operate community-based programs designed to reduce poverty, revitalize low-income communities, and empower low-income families and individuals within Contractor's service area to achieve greater self-sufficiency, pursuant to Title 42 of the United States Code (USC) Section 9901 et seq. (the Community Services Block Grant Act, as amended) and Government Code Section 12085 et seq., as amended. Agencies using discretionary funds for capacity building purposes shall obtain

training and technical assistance that supports enhancements that will benefit the CSBG Program. Contractor shall ensure that all services funded in whole or in part through this Agreement will support state and federal policies and goals of the CSBG Act as set forth in the above-referenced statutes.

Nevada County will specifically use these funds to assist in the development and implementation elements required under the Organizational Standards including a strategic plan, community assessment, community action plan and administrative support as outlined in the County's Work Plan.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Mike Dent, Department of Social Services Director