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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Board Agenda Memo

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**MEETING DATE:** June 13, 2023

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Erin Mettler**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving acceptance of funds from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), California Strengthening Public Health Initiative (CASPHI) Funding Award Number CASPHI0028 for the term of December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2027 in the amount of \$599,133.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached Resolution.

**FUNDING:** The California Department of Public Health has allocated \$599,133 to the Nevada County Public Health Department. The funds are available for expenditure through November 30, 2027. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

**BACKGROUND:** The purpose of the funding is to strengthen public health infrastructure and advance capacity of local health jurisdictions to address equity. Strategic investments in core infrastructure will enable local health jurisdictions to accelerate the transition from response to recovery, address the challenges of the current population health landscape, and build a sustainable public health system capable of addressing inequities and responding to future threats. The funds allocated to each local health jurisdiction may only be used to supplement, rather than supplant, existing levels of services provided by the local health jurisdiction. The local health jurisdiction must submit an annual certification attesting that this funding shall not supplant other specific county funds used for local health jurisdiction purposes.

As a condition of receiving this funding, all recipients are required to have a minimum of 1.0 FTE of staff capacity with roles and responsibilities dedicated advancing health equity and/or eliminating health disparities. Nevada County Public Health already meets this requirement by having a full-time Health Equity Coordinator as part of its current staffing.

Nevada County Public Health intends to use the funding to support and strengthen its workforce with staff training and development opportunities and hiring bonuses for hard to fill positions. Funding will also support contracts for community health education specialists to provide culturally

and linguistically appropriate home visits, development of the department's Community Health Assessment, and implementation of the department's Community Health Improvement Plan through community partners.

It is recommended the Board accept this funding to support Public Health Department's workforce, infrastructure, and equity initiatives in the community.

**Item Initiated and Approved by:** Erin Mettler, MA, Interim Public Health Director