

## NEVADA COUNTY LIBRARY

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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

**Board Agenda Memo** 

**MEETING DATE:** April 12, 2016

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

FROM: Laura Pappani, County Librarian

**SUBJECT:** Resolution accepting the 2016 funding commitment from the Friends of

the Libraries of Nevada County

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt the resolution.

**<u>FUNDING</u>**: The funding commitment from the Friends of the Libraries of Nevada County for the 2016 calendar year is \$35,525, including \$10,500 received by the Friends from the William and Marian Ghidotti Foundation. These funds are budgeted in the 15/16 budget and no budget amendment is needed. There is no impact on the General Fund.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Friends of the Nevada County Libraries (Friends) have raised funds in support of enhancing library operations in western Nevada County for decades. Throughout the year, they hold monthly book sales of previously-owned books and discarded library materials, as well as ongoing in-library book sales. Since 2011, the Friends have given the libraries in western Nevada County more than \$260,000. Donations from the Friends have enhanced library services to the public through purchasing library materials, furnishings, facilities repair, and through sponsored library programming, particularly children's programs.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Nevada and the Friends of the Libraries of Nevada County describes the process by which the Friends will make an annual commitment of funding to support the Libraries.

In the 2014 and 2015 calendar years, the Friends funded collection development, children's programming, volunteer recognition and new furnishings for the Grass Valley Library. In the 2016 calendar year, Friends' funding will go towards the Grass Valley Library-Royce Branch Centennial Celebration; furniture for the

Madelyn Helling Library; materials for adults, young adults, and children for all library branches in western Nevada County; and volunteer recognition.

This Resolution includes the approval and acceptance of the commitment received in 2016 from the Friends, including \$10,500 that was received by the Friends from the William and Marian Ghidotti Foundation.

The Library administration and staff are very grateful for the fundraising and support that the Friends provide. Their contributions, both financial and through volunteer hours, enable the Library to provide the community with better materials, facilities, and services.

**Item Initiated and Approved by:** Laura Pappani, County Librarian