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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: December 13, 2022

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Mike Dent**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of Amendment No. 2 for Standard Agreement Number 22F-5029 with the State Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) for funding of 2022 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Programs which increases the maximum amount payable from \$313,437 to \$316,290 (an increase \$2,853) for the term of January 1, 2022 through May 31, 2023. (RES. 21-518) (RES. 22-402)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached resolution.

FUNDING: The County annually receives federal CSBG funds to support local services to low income residents of Nevada County. CSBG grants are allocated on a calendar year basis through a formula set by the CSD. The allocated CSBG award for all agencies is listed in the Agreement's Attachment A - 2022 CSBG Allocation spreadsheet. Per the spreadsheet, the total calendar year 2022 amount for Nevada County is \$278,748. As funds are appropriated to the State by the Congress, CSD will release a notification sanctioning the available amount to be expended for each quarter. Receipt of funding was anticipated and included in the Department's budget. There are no County general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: As a condition of receipt and distribution of these funds, Nevada County must establish a list of priorities for addressing the needs of low-income residents through the development of a Community Action Plan (CAP). Per Resolution No. 21-285, the Board of Supervisors approved the 2022/23 Nevada County CAP and authorized its submittal to CSD, which was subsequently approved by the State. The CAP uses public input to develop goals and strategies and prioritize services to promote the goals of self-sufficiency among low income populations in its service area, and the Adult & Family Services Commission tripartite board is the designated entity to oversee the planning, implementation and evaluation of CSBG activities.

Per Resolution No. 21-518, the Board of Supervisors approved the Standard Agreement 22F-5029 on December 14, 2021 and subsequently amended on July 26, 2022 per Resolution 22-402 which deleted Articles 6 and 7 in their entirety and replaced them and increased the maximum amount payable from \$278,748 to \$313,437. The CSBG grant is unique in that the funding is discretionary; agencies choose how to spend funding in the most effective and efficient way for their community. A portion of CSBG grant awards are distributed to community non-profit organizations in an effort to fill the gaps in social services and/or to provide support to existing priority services to eligible residents of Nevada County. The submitted CAP determined that funding should be directed to improve the conditions of people living in poverty in the following areas: affordable housing, mental health and addiction treatment, transportation, health & dental services and improving household income.

The current amendment, which provides an additional \$2,853 to the County, was required by CSD to be signed prior to November 21, 2022. As the item was received after the submission deadline for October Board items and with the absence of Board meeting in November, Mike Dent, Director of Housing and Community Services signed the contract. The Department made this decision after consultation with counsel, and after discussions with CSD wherein it was made clear that the County would not be provided access to the new funds if the contract was not signed prior to November 21. It is recommended that all future Resolutions authorize the Director of Housing and Community Services to sign additional amendments and required grant documents.

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached renewal Agreement as the funding received will be used to sustain services through the upcoming calendar year.

Item Initiated by: Rob Choate, Administrative Services Associate
**Item Approved by: Mike Dent, MPA, Director of Child Support, Housing and
Community Services**