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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: May 19, 2026
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Trisha Tillotson, Community Development Agency Director
SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing application submittal for two United States Department of Agriculture Local Agriculture Market Program grants, up to \$500,000 each, All Districts

RECOMMENDATION: Approve a resolution authorizing application submittal for two United States Department of Agriculture Local Agriculture Market Program grants, up to \$500,000 each.

FUNDING: Federal grant funding, if awarded, could span from fiscal year 26/27 through fiscal year 28/29 and range from \$50,000 to \$500,000 for each grant program. If awarded, an amendment will be necessary to include the grant funds. Matching funds, up to 25% of the grant amount, will be from existing budgeted salaries and/or partner contributions. No additional general funds would be needed.

BACKGROUND: The United States Department of Agriculture Local Agriculture Market Program released Notices of Funding Opportunities on April 21, 2026, with grant applications due June 5, 2026. Specifically, the Farmers Market Promotion Program (<https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/fmpp>) and Local Food Promotion Program (<https://www.ams.usda.gov/services/grants/lfpp>) are currently being evaluated along with community partners to determine the most competitive project(s) to submit for. The County may apply to both programs.

In general, awarded grant funds could span from fiscal year 26/27 through fiscal year 28/29 and range from \$50,000 to \$500,000 for each grant. Matching funds, up to 25% of the grant amount, will be from existing budgeted salaries and/or partner contributions. And, up to 15% of costs may be considered indirect costs, which would provide for proper grant administration.

Due to the short timeframe for grant applications to be submitted, staff are recommending that the Board authorize applications in advance with the understandings listed in the attached resolution. Any grants recommended for award will return to the Board for authorization to accept the grant or decline. Meanwhile, staff will work with community partners to develop project specific information and will put together a grant application and submit it by the deadline of June 5, 2026.

Attachments: Resolution

Item Initiated and Approved by: Trisha Tillotson, Community Development Agency Director