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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: August 8, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Laura Pappani, County Librarian**

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing acceptance of a grant from the California State Library in the amount of \$60,000 to upgrade broadband hardware at the Truckee, Grass Valley, Penn Valley, and Doris Foley Libraries and amending the Library budget for fiscal year 2017-2018

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the resolution.

FUNDING: The funding comes from the state budget through the California State Library. The grant period runs from July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 and includes grant funding of \$60,000 (\$15,000 per branch) for the purchase and installation of technology hardware to improve the high-speed broadband internet access at the Truckee, Grass Valley – Royce Branch, Penn Valley, and Doris Foley Libraries. Matching funds are not required. Resolution requires a budget amendment to the Library budget for FY17-18. There is no impact on the General Fund.

BACKGROUND: The California State Library has been working to make the high-speed public internet access currently available at the Madelyn Helling Library and Bear River Station available to all Nevada County Community Library branches.

Recognizing that inadequate equipment is a barrier to many public library systems who connect to CVIN/CENIC broadband, the State of California allocated funding to upgrade technology hardware. The California State Library granted the Nevada County Community Library \$15,000 per eligible branch, for a total of \$60,000, for cabling and equipment, as well as the cost of installing that equipment. Once the network connection has been completed and the new equipment is installed, computer users at the branches will enjoy faster internet connections. No matching funds are required for this grant.

The branches included in this project are the Truckee Library, Grass Valley Library – Royce Branch, Penn Valley Station, and Doris Foley Library for Historical Research.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Laura Pappani, County Librarian