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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: October 9, 2018

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Mike Dent**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) Agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development for the term of September 30, 2018 through September 30, 2019 in the maximum amount of \$68,928.25 and authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to amend the Health and Human Services Agency Housing and Community Services Division's Budget for Fiscal Year 2018/19. (4/5 vote required)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: This is a federal grant administered through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). A budget amendment is included and requires a 4/5 vote by the Board Members. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: The focus of the Housing Preservation Program HPG program is to target very low-income households, and assist in providing safe and sanitary living conditions. These funds are granted to very low-income homeowners to make health and safety related repairs to their homes. Such repairs include new roofs, new HVAC (cooling and heating) systems, foundation repairs, and general interior repairs. Grants will range from \$1,000 to \$15,000 with an estimated average grant of \$10,000 per household. The grant is often used in conjunction with loan funds from the CalHome or other housing program funding as available to help relieve the loan burden or to provide rehabilitation activities outside the maximum loan amount. This program helps preserve Nevada County's affordable housing stock and provides a method of addressing affordable housing.

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

Item Initiated and Approved by: Mike Dent, MPA, Director of Director of Child Support, Housing and Community Services