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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: November 16, 2021

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Jill Blake**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving acceptance of funds from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), Workforce Development Supplemental (WFD) funding for the term of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023 in the amount of \$573,399, from the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and authorizing and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Public Health Department's Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/22 (4/5 Affirmative Vote Required)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: On August 31, 2021, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), allocated \$573,399 to the Nevada County Public Health Department to establish, expand, train and sustain the local public health workforce to support jurisdictional COVID-19 prevention, preparedness, response and recovery initiatives. The funds are available for expenditure through June 30, 2023. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement. A budget amendment is necessary and is included in the Resolution.

BACKGROUND:

The WFD funding is intended to provide critical resources to local health departments in support of COVID-19 strategically recruiting, hiring, and training personnel to address projected jurisdictional COVID-19 response needs while continuing to distribute and administer vaccine without discriminating on non-public-health grounds within a prioritized group. Allowable activities for both funding sources include:

- Permanent full-time and part-time staff
- Temporary or term-limited staff
- Fellows
- Interns
- Contractors or contracted employees

Nevada County Public Health intends to use the funding to support strategic positions that ease the burden of extra pandemic-related work that nearly all department staff are experiencing. .

We respectfully urge your support by accepting this funding to support Public Health Department response needs to prevent and respond to COVID-19.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Jill Blake, Department of Public Health Director