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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
Eric Rood Administrative Center
950 Maidu Avenue
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DATE OF MEETING: November 15, 2016

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing a contract with the Child Advocates of Nevada County with grant funds from the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Grant Award XC 1601290 for \$197,979 for providing victim services for gaps in the Nevada County Victim/Witness Program for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2018.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the resolution for a \$65,993.00 contract.

FUNDING SOURCE: This grant was approved by the Board of Supervisors meeting on October 25, 2016 to accept Federal VOCA grant funds of \$197,979. This is a one-time grant, two year grant. The contract will be for two years of service, for a total of \$65,993.00

BACKGROUND: This is new grant created by Cal OES that requires a Victim Services Steering Committee (VSSC) with mandatory representation from multiple entities including the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) Committee. The VSSC identifies the gaps and establishes a plan to address needs in the community. In addition to multiple county entities participating, it required representation from Cal OES funded Victim/Witness Program, Domestic Violence Assistance Program and Rape Crisis Programs. It requires a county agency administer the grant. After discussions with HHSA and Probation, it was decided the District Attorney's Office was best suited to be the administrator of the grant.

The purpose of the program it to:

- 1) Respond to the emotional and physical needs of crimes victims
- 2) Help primary and secondary victims of crime to stabilize their lives after a victimization
- 3) Help victims to understand and participate in the criminal justice system
- 4) Provide victims with a measure of safety and security.

Nevada County's proposal included funding Child Advocates of Nevada County to provide Court Appointed Special Advocates for victims in Dependency Court. The contract will ensure all the requirements of the grant are met including reporting statistics and claims are made per the Cal OES Recipient Handbook.

Very truly yours,

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