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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE:	February 8 th , 2022
то:	Board of Supervisors
FROM:	Jesse Wilson
SUBJECT:	Resolution accepting a grant from the California Office of Emergency Services Grant Award XC21040290 for the Nevada County Victim Services Program in the amount of \$144,651.00 for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, and authorizing the District Attorney to execute the grant agreement and all additional documents to fulfill the grant requirements.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>:

Adopt the Resolution accepting the grant award.

FUNDING:

The California Office of Emergency Services grant award is comprised of State Victim of Crimes General Funds (VCGF) in the amount of \$51,288.00 and Federal Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) funds in the amount of \$93,363.00. The full award amount is \$144,651.00. The funding cycle runs on the calendar year from January to December. There is no impact on the General Fund.

BACKGROUND:

This Cal OES grant includes a Victim Services Steering Committee (VSSC) to represent multiple entities in the community. The VSSC identifies the gaps and reviews plans to address needs in the community. In addition to multiple county entities participating, it requires representation from Cal OES funded Victim/Witness Program, Domestic Violence Assistance Program and Rape Crisis Programs. In addition, it is required that a county agency administer that grant. The grant administration was discussed with Probation and HHSA when the grant was initially released, and it was decided the District Attorney's Office was best suited to be the administrator of the grant when it was first awarded in 2016. This is the fourth time that Nevada County has been awarded this grant (the 2016 grant award lasted several years).

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 programs at the Community Beyond Violence (CBV) and Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA), in addition to funding a part time advocate in the District Attorney's Truckee Office. The grant requires volunteers be utilized. The award of CBV and CASA, uses volunteers extensively and is a good fit for this requirement, to cover the match requirements of the grant. Contracts will be established with each of these organizations to ensure all the requirements of the grant are met including reporting statistics and claims are made per the Cal OES Recipient Handbook.

Item Initiated by: Michelle Durkin

Approved by: Jesse Wilson

Submittal Date: January 24th, 2022 Revision Date: