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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 22, 2021

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mike Dent – Housing & Community Services

SUBJECT: Resolution accepting public comment on the Community Services Block Grant (“CSBG”) 2022/23 Community Action Plan (“CAP”) and approving the submittal of the CSBG 2022/23 CAP to the State Department of Community Services and Development (“CSD”) and authorizing the certification of the Community Action Plan and Assurances.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Resolution accepting public comment and approving the submittal of the CSBG 2022/23 CAP to CSD and authorizing the certification of the Community Action Plan and Assurances and all other subsequent documents on behalf of Nevada County.

FUNDING: The County annually receives federal CSBG funds to support local services to low income residents of Nevada County. CSBG grants are allocated on a calendar year basis through a formula set by the CSD. There are no County general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: State law requires each eligible CSBG entity to develop a CAP that will assess poverty-related needs and available resources. The CAP uses public input to develop goals and strategies and prioritize services to promote the reduction of poverty, revitalize low-income communities, and provide the empowerment for low-income members of the community within Nevada County in order to achieve economic self-sufficiency. A portion of CSBG grant awards are distributed to community non-profit organizations, in an effort to fill the gaps in social services, and/or to provide support to existing priority services to eligible residents of Nevada County. As a condition of receipt and distribution of CSBG funds, Nevada County must conduct a public hearing to establish a list of priorities for addressing the needs of low-income residents through the development of a Community Action Plan. The CAP is specific to the County’s activities, functions, projections, and reporting.

The Adult & Family Services Commission (“AFSC”) tripartite board has been designated as the entity to oversee the planning, implementation and evaluation of CSBG activities. CSBG requires that funding being spent to improve the conditions of people living in poverty. The AFSC held public virtual forums and identified gaps in services in the following areas: affordable housing, increased access to employment, senior services and emergency services related to Covid-19. The AFSC tripartite board reviewed the 2022/23 CAP at their public meeting on May 11, 2021, and the AFSC tripartite board recommends the approval of the 2022/23 CAP.

Should the Board approve the submittal of the CSBG 2022/23 CAP, County staff will submit the CAP to the California State Department of Community Services and Development prior to the June 30, 2021, deadline. It is recommended that the Board accept public comment and approve the submittal and certification of the attached CAP as this will permit Nevada County to receive CSBG funding.

Item Initiated and Approved by:

**Mike Dent, MPA, Director of Child Support,
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