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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: May 23, 2017

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Jill Blake**

SUBJECT: Resolution approving acceptance of carry-in funds from FFY 2016 through FFY 2017 in the amount of \$50,807.93 in relation to Grant Agreement Number 16-10170 with the California Department of Public Health for funding Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education (SNAP-Ed) services and authorizing and directing the Auditor-Controller to amend Public Health's Budget for Fiscal Year 2016/17 (4/5 vote required).

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: California SNAP-Ed is federally funded by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and administered at the state level by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) and the California Department of Public Health's (CDPHs) *Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Branch*. Funding is provided to selected counties for improving community nutrition education and to carry out a set of nutritional activities that will serve local eligible low income populations. Under this Agreement, the County has been approved to receive continuation of funding in the amount of \$275,000 for Federal Fiscal Year 2016/17 for Public Health's *Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention (NEOP) Project*. Funding levels fluctuate annually dependent on the availability of additional carry over monies, and the amount of federal funds the USDA allocates to California for program funding. Funds received by the department are used to support program related personnel costs, operating expenses, subcontractors, trainings materials, and indirect costs.

The Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Branch (NEOPB) has projected to have approximately \$10M of FFY 2016 carry-in funds available to be allocated among those local health departments (LHDs) who had an expenditure rate of 80% or more during FFY 2016. Nevada County LHD has been notified that it will receive Carry-in Funds in the amount of \$50,807.93. These funds may only be utilized for activities already approved in the FFY 2017 Plan (i.e., more direct services, more training, more nutrition education materials, etc.). 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 California Department of Public Health, in conjunction with the California Department of Social Services, is continuing to fund local health departments throughout California. This funding initiative stems from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Education (SNAP-Ed). Last year, Public Health applied for and was a successful applicant to receive funding for three years for the County's program.

The County's program continues to work towards further improvement of a comprehensive public health nutrition program to promote the established Diet Guidelines, and to increase fruit and vegetable consumption and physical activities. Services are directed towards improving community nutritional knowledge and promoting access to healthy foods and daily physical activity to target population groups.

It is recommended that the Board approve acceptance of these carry in funds in the amount of \$50,807.93 and authorize and direct the Auditor-Controller to amend Public Health's Budget for Fiscal Year 2016/17, as these funds provide an important funding source to promote healthy lifestyle choices that can help reduce health risk associated with poor nutrition and limited physical exercise for residents of Nevada County.

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