

COUNTY OF NEVADA HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: January 11, 2022

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mike Dent

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of Amendment No. 2 to the Housing

Preservation Grant (HPG) Agreement with the U.S. Department of

Agriculture (USDA), Rural Development to amend the Agreement term from September 30, 2018 to September 30, 2022. (RES. 18-487)(RES. 19-584)

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

<u>FUNDING</u>: This is a federal grant administered through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). A budget amendment will be included with the next Countywide Budget Amendment. There are no county general fund dollars required in the Agreement.

BACKGROUND: On October 9, 2018, per Resolution 18-487, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors approved the execution of an Agreement for the Housing Preservation Program (HPG) program, which was amended on November 5, 2019. The focus of this program is to target very low-income households and assist in providing safe and sanitary living conditions. These funds are granted to very low-income homeowners to make health and safety related repairs to their homes. Such repairs include new roofs, new HVAC (cooling and heating) systems, foundation repairs, and general interior repairs. Grants will range from \$1,000 to \$15,000 with an estimated average grant of \$10,000 per household. The grant is often used in conjunction with loan funds from the CalHome or other housing program funding as available to help relieve the loan burden or to provide rehabilitation activities outside the maximum loan amount. This program helps preserve Nevada County's affordable housing stock and provides a method of addressing affordable housing.

This grant is being extended as funding in the amount of \$68,928.25, remains available as COVID19 impacted program implementation. It is recommended that the Board approve the attached Agreement as the Health and Human Services Agency - Housing and Community Services Division is committed to working with our community partners to fully expend these

funds in order to improve the living conditions of low and very low-income residents who are in need of repairs or rehabilitation to their housing.

Item Initiated by:
Item Approved by:
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