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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: May 28, 2019

TO: **Board of Supervisors**

FROM: Yolande Wilburn, County Librarian

Resolution accepting the 2019 funding commitment from the Friends of the Nevada County Libraries for \$43,520, for use during the period **SUBJECT:**

January 1, 2019, to December 31, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the resolution.

FUNDING: The funding commitment from the Friends of the Nevada County Libraries for the 2019 calendar year is \$43,520. \$21,760 represents the amount of the 2019 FOL Commitment that will be spent before the end of FY 18/19. \$51,450 was budgeted for the FY 18/19, so no amendment to the FY 18/19 budget is necessary. There is no impact on the General Fund.

BACKGROUND: The Friends of the Nevada County Libraries (Friends) have raised funds in support of enhancing library operations in western Nevada County for decades. Throughout the year, they hold monthly book sales of previously-owned books and discarded library materials, as well as ongoing in-library book sales. Since 2011, the Friends have given the libraries in western Nevada County more than \$400,000. Donations from the Friends have enhanced library services to the public through purchasing library materials, furnishings, facilities repair, and through sponsored library programming, particularly children's programs.

A Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Nevada and the Friends of the Libraries of Nevada County describes the process by which the Friends will make an annual commitment of funding to support the Libraries.

In the 2017 and 2018 calendar years, the Friends funded collection development, children's programming, and volunteer recognition. In the 2019 calendar year, Friends' funding will go primarily towards programming for children, teens, and adults and support the purchase of furnishings at the new Penn Valley Library location.

The Library administration and staff are very appreciative of the financial support given by the Friends of the Nevada County Libraries, as well as their assistance with programs and events throughout the year.

Item Initiated and Approved by: Yolande Wilburn, County Librarian