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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: July 14, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Rachel Roos

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing execution of a renewal contract with Nevada-Sierra Connecting Point Public Authority for the provision of Volunteer Coordination Services in the maximum amount of \$ 65,192 for the contract term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: The item will be funded through County General Funds. Additionally, contract services will be funded in part by CalWORKs Single Allocation dollars.

BACKGROUND:

The goal of Nevada-Sierra Connecting Point Public Authority's Volunteer Hub is to connect Nevada County residents of all ages to volunteer opportunities in local organizations and County Departments. Connecting Point will provide staff to carry out volunteer program activities including, volunteer matching database with in-person, telephone, and online access; implementing a volunteer matching database, as well as recruit and orient organizations to the use of the volunteer hub database.

The economic ramifications of the Coronavirus pandemic are significantly impacting major funding sources relied on by the department. Social Services is monitoring the situation closely and is actively involved in advocacy efforts through the County Welfare Directors Association (CWDA) to ensure reasonable funding for county services. Additionally, the department has reviewed the 20-21 budget carefully and areas for reduction have been identified to reduce the pressure on existing funding sources. At the same time, demand for vital social services is likely to increase over coming months due to both the economic stress and social isolation of this time, as well as due to increasing

numbers of social services customers in our county. The department is proposing to move forward with critical contracts at levels similar to what was originally budgeted, but with the understanding that midyear reductions may be necessary if revenues continue to decline. Social Service staff are in close communication with all contractors and are available to provide support to them around modifying their processes and protocols so that staff can remain safe and can safely provide community members the care they need. Providers are aware that midyear cuts may be needed if the economic situation worsens. Additional analysis and review will be done as needed throughout the year.

It is recommended that the Board approve this agreement, as the services provided will assist participants in their efforts to give back to their community, support local organizations and build skills and experiences to meet their educational and employment goals.

Item Initiated and by: Rachel Roos, Director of Social Services