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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

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**MEETING DATE:** October 12, 2021

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Mike Dent – Housing & Community Services**

**SUBJECT:** Resolution approving acceptance of Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Funds totaling \$207,042 and authorizing execution of the Standard Agreement No. 21-HHAP-000273 between the State of California Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency's Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council and the County of Nevada to provide funding to the County to support County strategic objectives to address homelessness in the region and Authorizing and Directing the Auditor-Controller to amend the Health and Human Services Agency Housing and Community Services Division's Budget for Fiscal Year 2021/22. (4/5 vote required)

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve the attached resolution.

**FUNDING:** Funds are from an allocation provided by the State of California Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency's (BCSHA) Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC). Funds are to be fully expended by June 30, 2026. 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:** On June 29, 2020, Governor Newsom signed AB 83 (Committee on Budget, Chapter 15, Statutes of 2020) authorizing a second round of funding allocations from the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program and directing the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council (HCFC) to administer the program. On November 13, 2020, HCFC announced the availability of new Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention Program (HHAP) grant funding allocating \$300 million in block grants designed to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address immediate homelessness

challenges throughout the state. Spending must be informed by a best-practices framework focused on moving homeless individuals and families into permanent housing and ensuring those individuals and families to maintain their permanent housing.

The \$207,042 in HHAP funding will be combined with HHAP round 1 funding to provide continued support and expansion of existing contracted programs that provide housing navigation services and direct rental assistance to vulnerable County residents experiencing homelessness. The funding will also be used to address gaps identified in the 2021 County strategic plan to address homelessness, providing funding to prevent homelessness, expand shelter opportunities, bolster outreach and engagement efforts and facilitate greater collaboration between the County and nonprofit partners working to address homelessness.

It is recommended that the Board approve this Agreement, as it will provide funding assistance to address critical needs in line with strategic objectives to address homelessness in Nevada County.

<b>Item Initiated by:</b>	Brendan Phillips, Program Manager
<b>Approved by:</b>	Mike Dent, Director – Housing and Community Services