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STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: September 27, 2016

DATE: Wednesday, September 14, 2016
TO: Board of County Commissioners
FROM: Amber Howell, Director, Social Services
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THROUGH: Kevin Schiller, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to accept the Children’s Justice Act (CJA) sub-grant award from the State of Nevada – Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) in the amount of [\$8,710; no County Match required], retroactive from August 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016 to support and strengthen staff competency related to child fatality, abuse and neglect cases accomplished through specialized forensic and fatality training and purchase of necessary supplies to document injuries; and authorize the Department to execute the sub-grant award and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the appropriate budget amendments. (All Commission Districts).

SUMMARY

The Department recommends the Board accept the Children’s Justice Act (CJA) sub-grant award from the State of Nevada – Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) in the amount of [\$8,710; no County Match required], retroactive from August 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016 to support and strengthen staff competency related to child fatality, abuse and neglect cases accomplished through specialized forensic and fatality training and purchase of necessary supplies to document injuries; and authorize the Department to execute the sub-grant award and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the appropriate budget amendments. Grant funds will be used to support the staff of the Children’s Advocacy Center (CAC) through critical forensic and fatality training.

The Department is requesting the Board retroactively accept the grant award due to receipt of grant award on August 26, 2016.

Washoe County Priority/Goal supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On January 12, 2016 the board accepted a Sub-grant Award from the State of Nevada Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of [\$17,254.00; no County match required] to support, enhance and expand the mission of the Child Advocacy Center; retroactive to November 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 and approved \$1,000 for Non-County employee travel and authorized the Department to execute the sub-grant award and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the necessary budget adjustments. Item 8.F.2.

BACKGROUND

The State of Nevada Division of Child and Family Services awards federal CJA funding to assist qualifying agencies in developing, establishing, and operating programs designed to improve the assessment and investigation of suspected child abuse and neglect cases including child sexual abuse and exploitation; the assessment and investigation of cases of suspected child abuse and neglect-related fatalities; the investigation and prosecution of cases of child abuse and neglect, including child sexual abuse and exploitation; and, the assessment and investigation of cases involving children with disabilities or serious health-related problems who are suspected victims of child abuse or neglect.

The Child Advocacy Center of Northern Nevada is a collaborative effort between multiple agencies: Washoe County District Attorney, Reno Police, Washoe Sheriff's Office, Sparks Police, and Washoe Department of Social Services et al. The goal of these many partnering agencies is to decrease the number of people a child must speak with during the investigative process and to provide a safe child-centered environment that minimizes trauma to the child.

The Children's Advocacy Center will use funding to provide training to support and strengthen staff competency related to child fatality, abuse and neglect cases and purchase necessary operating supplies to document injuries.

GRANT AWARD SUMMARY

Project/Program Name: Children's Advocacy Center

Scope of the Project: Provide support and increase competency for staff through forensic and fatality training.

Benefit to Washoe County Residents: Immediately and appropriately address victims of child abuse, neglect and sexual abuse in an environment that limits the number of times a child must be interviewed; thereby making the most efficient use of time and staff as well.

On-Going Program Support: This funding was identified for a one time use for specialized training. The Department receives other funding as well, which supports the CAC. CJA funding continues for other areas within the Department.

Award Amount: \$8,710.00
Grant Period: August 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016
Funding Source: Department of Health & Human Services
Administration for Children & Families
Pass Through Entity: State of Nevada
Division of Child and Family Services
CFDA Number: 93.643
Grant ID Number: 14-CJA-16-009
Match Amount and Type: No Match Required

Sub-Awards and Contracts: No Sub-Awards or Contracts will be used for this funding.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board accept this grant award, the adopted budget will be amended by \$8,710.00 in both revenues and expenditures in the following accounts:

Cost Object	G/L Account	Amount
11321-431100	Federal Grants	8,710.00
11321-710300	Operating Supplies	760.00
11321-710509	Seminars and Meetings	7,950.00

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation to accept the Children’s Justice Act (CJA) sub-grant award from the State of Nevada – Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) in the amount of [\$8,710; no County Match required], retroactive from August 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016 to support and strengthen staff competency related to child fatality, abuse and neglect cases accomplished through specialized forensic and fatality training and purchase of necessary supplies to document injuries, and authorize the Department to execute the sub-grant award and direct the Comptroller’s Office to make the appropriate budget amendments.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be:
“Move accept the Children’s Justice Act (CJA) sub-grant award from the State of Nevada – Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) in the amount of [\$8,710; no County Match required], retroactive from August 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016 to support and strengthen staff competency related to child fatality, abuse and neglect cases accomplished through specialized forensic and fatality training and purchase of

necessary supplies to document injuries, and authorize the Department to execute the sub-grant award and direct the Comptroller's Office to make the appropriate budget amendments. Grant funds will be used to support the staff of the CAC through critical forensic and fatality training."

State of Nevada - Division of Child and Family Services
4126 Technology Way, 3rd Floor
Carson City, NV 89706

Notice of Sub-Grant Award

DCFS Contact:	James Thorne	DCFS Contact Phone Number:	775-684-4426
Program:	Children's Justice Act (CJA)	CFDA Number:	93.643
State Award Number:	14-CJA-16-009	Budget:	3145
		Account:	11
Type of Action:	NEW		
Legal Name:	Washoe County Dept. of Social Services	Vendor Number:	T40283400 A
Project Name:	Children's Advocacy Center	Mailing Address:	P.O. Box 11130
Contact Person:	Amber Howell		Reno, NV 89502
Email Address:	ahowell@washoecounty.us	Project Address:	350 S. Center Street
Phone Number:	775-337-4488		Reno, NV 89502
Fax Number:	775-337-4476	Tax ID:	88-6000138

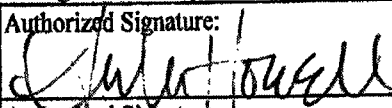
Project Period:	August 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016	Federal Award Number
Year One:	August 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016	G-1401NVCJA1
Year Two:		
Year Three:		
Year Four:		

Approved Categories and Budget by Year:

Category	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	TOTAL
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating	\$760	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$760
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Training	\$7,950	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contractual	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (Admin)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total State Share	\$8,710	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,710
Match	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Program Cost	\$8,710	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,710

In accepting these grant funds, it is understood that:

- Expenditures must comply with appropriate State and / or Federal regulations.
- This award is subject to the availability of appropriate funds.
- Grantee agrees to provide an independent financial and compliance audit in accordance with State and Federal requirements.
- Recipients of these funds agree to the stipulations on the attached Additional Requirements.

Washoe County Dept. of Social Services	Authorized Signature: 	Date: 8-29-16
DCFS FPO Grants Management Unit	Authorized Signature:	Date:
DCFS Administration	Authorized Signature:	Date: