## CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Jill Marano, Director of Family Services

## **Recommendation:**

Ratify the submission of the Victims of Crime grant application to the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of \$3,381,297 for the period of July 1, 2024 through July 31, 2025; and authorize the continuation of 17 grant funded limited permanent positions: one (1) Sr. Family Service Specialist (C29), one (1) Family Services Specialists II (C28), one (1) Youth and Adult Intervention II (C29), eight (8) Family Service Technicians (C25), two (2) Sr. Office Specialist (C23), four (4) Office Specialist (C22), and nine (9) Part-Time Youth and Family Assistants for the period for which grant funds are available; authorize the Administrator to sign any additional grant documents related there to; and accept funds awarded. (For possible action)

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Fund #:	2030.000	Fund Name:	County Grants
Fund Center:	1250812000	Funded PGM/Grant:	1250.VOCA.2025
Amount:	\$3,381,297 estimated		
Description:	VOCA Grant		
Additional Comments:	Total match required \$827,366 (\$800,000 Cash and \$27,366 in kind through existing positions)		

## **BACKGROUND:**

On December 24, 2022, the State of Nevada Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) announced notice of funding opportunity for Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant. VOCA is the repository for all criminal fines collected at the federal level and uses the funds for grants to agencies that provide services to victims of crime such as services that are provided to children who are victims of child abuse and/or neglect, their siblings, and their non-offending parents/caregivers.

DFS currently provides direct services to child victims and their non-offending caregivers. If awarded, the grant funds will be used to support services to include the continuation of seventeen (17) full time grant funded limited permanent positions and nine (9) part time grant funded positions to support the Medical Case Management Unit, Child Haven, Placement, and Southern Nevada Children's Assessment Center (SNCAC). In addition, funds will allow for the ability to seek contracted services for: In and Out of Home behavioral/emotional support; advocacy, adoption recruitment; pro-social services/activities; placement disruption prevention services, service barrier removal; program management, direct emergency assistance, operational equipment services and supplies needed for Child Haven and SNCAC.

DFS submitted its grant application to the DCFS on the due date of February 7, 2024, prior to Board approval.

Staff requests that the Board ratify the submission of the grant application and accept the funds awarded.

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