

## CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM

**Petitioner:** Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

**Recommendation:**

**That the Board of County Commissioners ratify the acceptance of the grant sub award in the amount of \$449,517 from the State of Nevada Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services to fund the Adoption Incentive Program for the period October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019; and authorize the continuation of five (5) full time grant funded positions: two (2) Deputy District Attorneys (P02), one (1) Legal Secretary I/II (C24), one (1) Legal Office Services Supervisor (C26), and one (1) Legal Office Specialist (C23) for the period for which the grant funds are available; and authorize the Administrator or his designee to sign any grant documents related thereto. (For possible action)**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Fund #:	2031.000	Fund Name:	County Grants
Fund Center:	1250812000	Funded PGM/Grant:	1250.ADOPT.2019
Amount:	\$449,517		
Description:	Adoption Incentive Program		
Additional Comments:	No cash match required		

**BACKGROUND:**

Since 2005, the Department of Family Services (DFS) has received grant funding from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) to support administrative activities that are required to move children toward the completion of adoption.

Approval of this item will allow for the continuation of five (5) full time grant funded positions: two (2) Deputy District Attorneys (P02), one (1) Legal Secretary I/II (C24), one (1) Legal Office Services Supervisor (C26), and one (1) Legal Office Specialist (C23). These positions will facilitate the termination of parental rights for children in foster care who will not be reunited with their natural parents. In addition, grant will fund a marketing campaign to include events and media which will promote recruitment of foster and adoptive homes for children in DFS care.

The award process for this grant differs from the normal grant application process as funding is made available from the State and passed through to DFS without application or competitive process. In addition, it is not known in advance about funding availability until an award letter is received from the State.

**APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED**

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**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM**

**Petitioner:** Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

**Recommendation:**

**Ratify the submission of the Adoption Incentive grant application to the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of \$478,435 for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020; approve and authorize the continuation of three (3) grant funded positions: two (2) Permanent full time Legal Secretary II (C24), one (1) Permanent full time Legal Office Specialist (C23) for the period for which grant funds are available, and authorize the Administrator or his designee to sign any additional grant documents related thereto and accept any funds awarded. (For possible action)**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Fund #:	2031.000	Fund Name:	County Grants	♥
Fund Center:	1250812000	Funded PGM/Grant:	1250.ADOPT.2020	
Amount:	\$474,435			
Description:	Adoption Incentive Program			
Additional Comments:	No match required			

**BACKGROUND:**

On December 19, 2019 the Clark County Department of Family Services (DFS) received notification from the State of Nevada announcing the release of Request for Application for Adoption Incentive Grant. Grant funds are used to increase the number of families available to foster/adopt children waiting in DFS care for a permanent home and help to remove the legal barriers for youth to move toward the permanency of adoption.

The funds requested will provide training on the implementation of effective parenting strategies to better prepare staff and adoptive families on the unique challenges of adoption through the Foster Care system. In addition, the grant will fund three (3) full-time staff to support administrative activities that are required to move children toward the completion of adoption, secure contractual services for Home Studies, marketing campaign, events and media which will promote recruitment of foster and adoptive families.

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

**APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED**

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**Petitioner:** Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

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**Recommendation:**

**Ratify the submission of the Adoption Incentive grant application to the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services in the amount of \$204,074 for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021; approve and authorize the continuation of three (3) grant funded limited permanent positions: two (2) Permanent full time Legal Secretary II (C24) and one (1) Permanent full time Legal Office Specialist (C23) for the period for which grant funds are available, and authorize the Administrator or his designee to sign the Notice of Subaward and any additional grant documents related thereto and accept the funds awarded. (For possible action)**

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**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Fund #:	2031.000	Fund Name:	County Grants
Fund Center:	1250812000	Funded PGM/Grant:	1250.ADOPT.2021
Amount:	\$204,074		
Description:	Adoption Incentive Program		
Additional Comments:	No match required		

**BACKGROUND:**

In February 2021, the Clark County Department of Family Services (DFS) received notification from the State of Nevada announcing available funding for Adoption Incentives. The attached application, scope of work, and budget narratives were submitted on April 20, 2021. In response, the State has provided the attached Notice of Subaward authorizing the grant award.

The grant funds will be used to continuously fund three (3) full-time staff positions to assist DFS' District Attorneys with Termination of Parental Rights to allow DFS children to be adopted. In addition, funding will secure contractual services for Home Studies, marketing campaign, events and media which will promote recruitment of foster and adoptive families.

Staff requests that the Board of County Commissioners ratify the submission of the grant application, authorize the execution of the Notice of Subaward, and accept the funds awarded

**APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED**

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