CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

Recommendation:

Ratify the submission of the grant application to the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services for the Caseworker Visitation Program in the amount \$132,552 effective October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021; approve and authorize the continuation of two (2) part-time grant funded Family Service Specialist positions for the period during which the grant funds are available; and authorize the Administrator or his designee to sign the Notice of Subaward and any additional grant documents; and accept the funds awarded. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund #:	2031.000	Fund Name:	County Grants	
Fund Center:	1250812000	Funded PGM/Grant:	1250.VISIT.2021	
Amount:	\$132,552			
Description:	Caseworker Visitation Program			
Additional Comments:	Cash Match of \$46,572 is required			

BACKGROUND:

On October 13, 2020, the Clark County Department of Family Services (DFS) received notice of a grant funding opportunity from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services to fund Caseworker Visits to family homes and children in Out-of-Home Placement. The State made the grant award contingent upon the submission of the attached application, scope of work, and budget narratives which was submitted on April 20, 2021. In response, the State provided the attached Notice of Subaward authorizing the grant award.

The grant funds will be used for the continuation of two (2) part-time Family Service Specialist positions to complete Social Summaries to move youth forward in Permanency. In addition, funds will be used to fund overtime hours for caseworkers to complete required visits outside of their normal shifts.

Staff request 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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21-687

CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

Recommendation:

Ratify the submission of the grant application by the Department of Family Services to the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services - Division of Child and Family Services for the Caseworker Visitation Program in the amount of \$124,559 for the period October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020; approve and authorize the continuation of two (2) part time grant funded Family Service Specialist positions, and the creation of five (5) part time grant funded Family Service Specialist positions for the period which the 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.VISIT.2020		
Amount:	\$124,559				
Description:	Caseworker Visitation Program				
Additional Comments:	A cash match of \$43,764 is required and budgeted.				

BACKGROUND:

Since 2007, the Department of Family Services (DFS) has been receiving grant funds from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to facilitate case worker visits, promoting Safe and Stable Families.

Child and Family Services Reviews (CFSR's) conducted by the Children's Bureau found a strong correlation between frequent caseworker visits with children and positive outcomes from these children, such as timely achievement of permanency and other indicators of child well-being. Ratification of this item will fund seven part time hourly positions who will perform monthly caseworker visits based on staffing needs such as substitution for full time staff on leave, relief of high caseloads, and documentation as needed to complete Social Summaries.

The award process for this grant differs from the normal grant application process as funding is made available from DHHS and passed thorough to DFS without advance notice or competitive process. Due to the time frame between grant announcement and submission due date, the grant application was submitted to DCFS on January 16, 2020 prior to board approval.

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

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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 Title IV-B, Subpart 2 Social Security Act grant award of \$115,560 from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services-Division of Child and Family Services to promote Safe and Stable Families — Caseworker Visitation Program for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019; and authorize the Acting Director or her designee to sign any additional grant documents related thereto. (For Possible Action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund: 2031.000

Fund Center: 1250812000

Description: Case Worker Visitation Program

Fund Name: County Grants

Funded Pgm/Grant: 1250.VISIT.2019

Amount: \$115,560.00

Added Comments: A cash match of \$40,602 is required and budgeted.

BACKGROUND:

Since 2007, the Department of Family Services has been receiving grant funds from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services-Division of Child and Family Services (DHHS) to facilitate case worker visits, promoting Safe and Stable Families.

Child and Family Services Reviews (CFSR's) conducted by the Children's Bureau found a strong correlation between frequent caseworker visits with children and positive outcome for these children, such as timely achievement of permanency and other indicators of child well-being. Ratification of this item will fund two (2) Part Time Hourly Family Service Specialist who will process Social Summaries, purchase Tablets for caseworker field documentation, and overtime hours for case workers to increase monthly primary caseworker visits to family homes and children in the out-of-home placement setting.

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

Respectfully submitted,

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED

Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

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