## CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

## **Recommendation:**

Ratify the acceptance of the grant subaward from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services to assist Former Foster Youth in the amount of \$700,000 effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023; approve the creation of one (1) grant funded limited permanent position: Office Specialist (C22); authorize the continuation of and fully funding two (2) grant funded limited permanent positions: (2) Eligibility Specialist (C24) for the period the grant funds are available; approve and authorize the continuation of 50% funding of one (1) grant funded limited permanent position: one (1) Sr. Family Services Specialist (C29) for the period the grant funds are available; authorize the Administrator or his designee to sign any additional grant documents related thereto; and accept any funds awards. (For possible action)

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

| Fund #:              | 2031.000   | Fund Name:        | County Grants   |
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| Fund Center:         | 1250812000   | Funded PGM/Grant: | 1250.FAFFY.2023 |
| Amount:              | \$700,000  |                   |                 |
| Description:         | Assistance for Former Foster Youth   |                   |                 |
| Additional Comments: | The Sr. Family Services Specialist position is shared and funded 50/50 between the Departments of Family Services (DFS) and Social Services (CCSS). 50% of the funding is setup under DFS grant through FAFFY and the other 50% setup under CCSS' Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) grant. |                   |                 |

## **BACKGROUND:**

On July 1, 2022, the Department of Family Services (DFS) received Notice of Subaward (NOSA) from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) for the program Fund to Assist Former Foster Youth (FAFFY).

Under the FAFFY funding, Clark County Social Service (CCSS), in collaboration with Clark County Family Services (CCFS), operates the "Step Up" program for young adults who "age-out" of foster care (18 to 21). Step Up is primarily a homeless prevention and independent living program for these young adults. The goal is for young adults to achieve economic self-sufficiency as they make the transition from foster care into adulthood. In addition, grant funds will allow for the creation of one (1) grant funded position: Office Specialist (C22); the continuation of two (2) grant funded positions: two (2) Eligibility Specialist (C24); and continuation of one (1) Sr. Family Services Specialist (C29) position which is currently funded at 50% by this grant and 50% funded through a grant received by the Department of Social Services.

Services under this program includes assisting young adults to attain economic self-sufficiency by providing them

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09/06/2022 File ID# 22-1244 with resources and services including but not limited to comprehensive case management, housing assistance, employment assistance, educational assistance, transportation assistance, and other services such as referrals and one-on-one guidance to navigate the transition from foster care into adulthood.

The award process for this grant differs from the normal grant application process as funding is made available to the State and passed through to DFS without advance notice, application submission or competitive process. The State has made the grant award contingent upon the submission of the attached scope of work and budget narrative which was submitted on July 7, 2022. In addition, funding availability is not known until an award notice is received from the State.

Staff requests that the Board ratify the acceptance of the attached grant subaward and accept funds awarded.