CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM

Petitioner: Tim Burch, Administrator of Human Services

Recommendation:

Ratify the acceptance of the subgrant award in the amount of \$1,970,568 from the State of Nevada Department of Health and Human Services - Grants Management Unit for the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 to fund therapeutic mental health services for children and families being assisted by the Department of Family Services and authorize the Administrator or his designee to sign any additional grant documents related thereto. (For possible action)

FISCAL IMPACT:

Fund #:	2371.000	Fund Name:	Child Welfare Grant
Fund Center:	1250821000	Funded PGM/Grant:	1250.TITLEXX.2022
Amount:	\$1,970,568		
Description:	Title XX - Mental Health Services		
Additional Comments:	N/A		

BACKGROUND:

The Clark County Department of Family Services (DFS) has received Title XX funding from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) since 2006. These funds had been awarded to DFS as a block grant issued by the DHHS. In October 2017 this pass through award was received as a separate line item in the annual state award to DFS and funded as a grant subaward through DHHS Office of Community Partnership and Grants.

Ratification of this item will allow DFS to fund a contractual agreement with a qualified provider of therapeutic mental health services. Services for children and families include clinical behavioral health services, mental health evaluation, individual therapy, supportive education and training, family counseling and medication management by board certified psychiatrists. It is the goal of DFS to provide these services in hopes to reduce placement disruptions; decrease hospitalizations; reduce the amount of psychotropic medications; and help to increase permanency, wellbeing and safety for children in foster care.

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, competitive process, or application submission.

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