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STAFF REPORT

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DATE: Thursday, October 06, 2022

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) in a total amount of \$312,000 to support installment of Project #40 National Fitness Courts at Rancho San Rafael and South Valleys Regional Park and direction to the Comptroller's Office to make necessary net zero cross-fund and cross-functional budget appropriation transfers. Manager's Office (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

Two fitness courts will be installed at Washoe County parks - one at Rancho San Rafael Regional Park and one at South Valleys Regional Park. In collaboration with Renown Health, Washoe County has received a grant to support \$100,000 of the total project costs. The remaining costs to install these fitness courts will be covered by SLFRF funds in the amount of \$312,000.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

On September 13, 2022, the BCC approved the amendment of project #22, the Health District Mobile Outreach Vehicle to increase the budget by \$85,498 to account for the increased price in procuring the vehicle. The Board also approved the following projects and subgrants:

1. Juvenile Services - Multisystemic Therapy (MST) Pilot Program for high-risk juvenile justice involved youth in the amount of \$661,924.
2. Family Peace Center which provides access to supervised visitation and exchange services for families dealing with court matters at the Second Judicial District Court in the amount of \$480,281.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

3. Elections Translation & County Website Accessibility for \$300,000 to the Office of the County Manager's Communications Division supporting translation services of the general election and providing an audit of the County's accessibility on its websites.
4. Senior Services Soft Serve Machine for \$15,000 to encourage senior participation in events at the Senior Services Department.
5. Sun Valley General Improvement District received a subgrant of \$250,000 to support recreation activities in Sun Valley.
6. Palomino Valley General Improvement District received a subgrant of \$250,000 to support road repairs in Palomino Valley.

On July 19, 2022, the BCC approved a subgrant of \$50,000 to Soulful Seeds, a nonprofit that operates the Our Place Garden.

On July 12, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners approved a subgrant of ARPA-SLFRF in the amount of \$350,000 to the Reno Housing Authority to support affordable housing projects in the region. This item was approved through Resolution 22-90.

On June 28, 2022, the Board of County Commissioners approved amended allocations of ARPA funds through the SLFRF for the following projects:

1. WellCare Living Supports and Services Pilot Project in a total amount of \$1,255,200 (an increase of \$593,700 over the \$661,500 allocated and approved by the Board on December 14, 2021). This project provides for supportive housing for persons with developmental or intellectual disabilities or mental health conditions that impede their ability to live independently.
2. Kids Kottage Emergency Beds project in a total amount of \$1,043,000 (an increase of \$243,000 over the \$800,000 allocated and approved by the Board on December 14, 2021). This project funds care services for abused and neglected children in our community that have been removed from their homes.; and

Approved an allocation of ARPA-SLFRF for the following project:

1. Incline Village Access to Justice Project \$747,800. This project will fund renovations to the county owned Incline Community Center to house the Incline Justice Court, currently in leased space, and will improve security, and accessibility.

For Board of County Commissioner actions related to the American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds prior to June 28th, 2022 visit the [Washoe ARPA webpage](#).

BACKGROUND

On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act was signed into law, and established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. Washoe County has been awarded a grant of \$91,587,038 in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF). On May 17, 2021, Washoe County received payment from the Department of Treasury in the amount of \$45,793,519, fifty percent of the award funds. The SLFRF provide a substantial infusion of resources to help turn the tide on the pandemic, address its economic fallout, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery.

Eligible Uses

As a recipient of an SLFRF award, Washoe County has substantial discretion to use the award funds in the ways that best suit the needs of county constituents – as long as such use fits into one of the following four statutory categories:

1. To respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts;
2. To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the recipient that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;
3. For the provision of government services, to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such recipient due to the COVID–19 public health emergency, relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the recipient prior to the emergency; or
4. To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

ARPA-SLFRF Award:

Office of the County Manager			
Project #40	Fitness Courts - Rancho San Rafael & South Reno Regional Park	\$312,000	Approval Recommended
Description:	Two fitness courts will be installed in County parks located at Rancho San Rafael and South Reno Regional Parks. These fitness courts support our efforts to provide County residents with fun, and convenient opportunities for physical activity, that is free and available to all residents. The fitness courts are built to be easily accessible state-of-the-art outdoor fitness courts. Local art will be displayed on each of the two fitness courts. The ARPA-SLFRF funding will support 76% of the costs and a grant from Renown Health will support 24% of the costs.		
Category:	2.22: Strong Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety		

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the board approve projects as submitted, the FY23 SLFRF COVID Recovery Fund (Fund 270, Fund Center 270-8) and Capital Projects Fund (Fund 402, Fund Center 402-0) budgets will be adjusted with the following cross-fund and cross-functional net-zero appropriation transfers:

Project #40: Washoe County Fitness Courts

Fund/Function	Cost Object & Description	G/L Account & Description	Amount
	Revenue:		
Other Restricted Fund (270)/ General Government	CC 270800 – SLFRF - General Government	431100-Federal Grants	(\$312,000)

Other Restricted Fund (270)/ Culture & Recreation	IO-19125 OCM-SLFRF- National Fitness Courts	431100-Federal Grants	\$312,000
	Expenditures/Transfer:		
Other Restricted Fund (270)/General Government	CC 270800 – SLFRF - General Government	710500-Other Expense	(\$312,000)
Other Restricted Fund (270) Culture & Recreation	IO-19125 OCM-SLFRF- National Fitness Courts	814092-Transfer To Public Works Construction	\$307,000
Other Restricted Fund (270) Culture & Recreation	IO-19125 OCM-SLFRF- National Fitness Courts	710110-Contracted/Temp Services	\$ 5,000
Other Restricted Fund (402)/ Culture and Recreation	PW920870 – National Fitness Courts	622270-Transfer From Other Restricted	\$307,000
Other Restricted Fund (402)/ Culture and Recreation	PW920870 – National Fitness Courts	781080 Construction Contracts	\$307,000

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation to approve allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) in a total amount of \$312,000 to support installment of Project #40 National Fitness Courts at Rancho San Rafael and South Valleys Regional Park and direction to the Comptroller’s Office to make necessary net zero cross-fund and cross-functional budget appropriation transfers.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be: *“move to approve allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) in a total amount of \$312,000 to support installment of Project #40 National Fitness Courts at Rancho San Rafael and South Valleys Regional Park and direction to the Comptroller’s Office to make necessary net zero cross-fund and cross-functional budget appropriation transfers.”*