



# Washoe County Overview

Assembly Government Affairs Committee

February 11, 2021





# Washoe County Commission



**Chair**  
**Bob Lucey**  
District 2



**Vice Chair**  
**Vaughn Hartung**  
District 4



**Commissioner**  
**Alexis Hill**  
District 1



**Commissioner**  
**Kitty Jung**  
District 3



**Commissioner**  
**Jeanne Herman**  
District 5



# Washoe County Leadership



**County Manager**  
Eric Brown



**Assistant County Manager**  
Christine Vuletic



**Assistant County Manager**  
Kate Thomas



**Assistant County Manager**  
Dave Solaro



**Assistant to the County Manager**  
Elizabeth Jourdin



**Communications Director**  
Nancy Leuenhagen



**Security Administrator**  
Ben West



# WASHOE COUNTY

## FAST FACTS

ESTABLISHED  
IN

**1861**

CURRENT  
POPULATION

**471,000**

TOTAL FULL-TIME  
EMPLOYEES

**2,478**

DEPARTMENTS

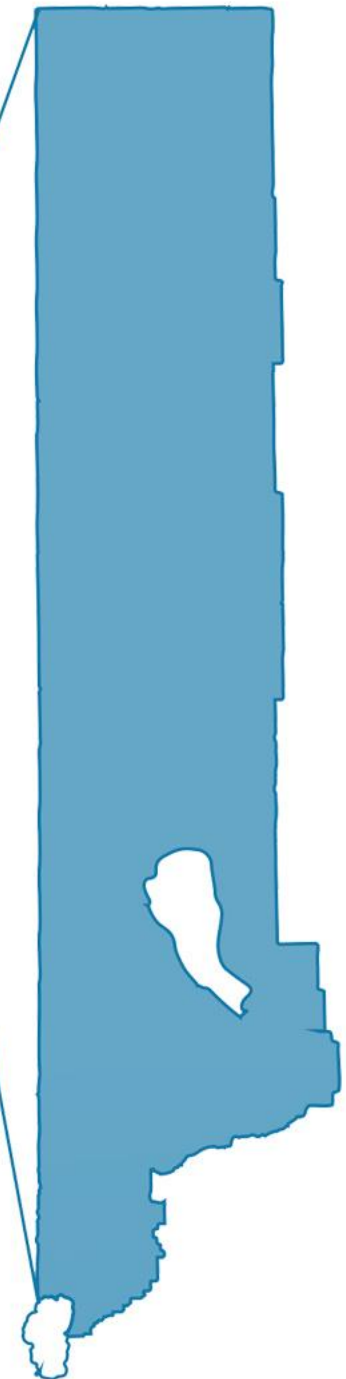
**24**

**6,551** SQUARE  
MILES



TOTAL BUDGET: ALL FUNDS

**\$714,615,519**

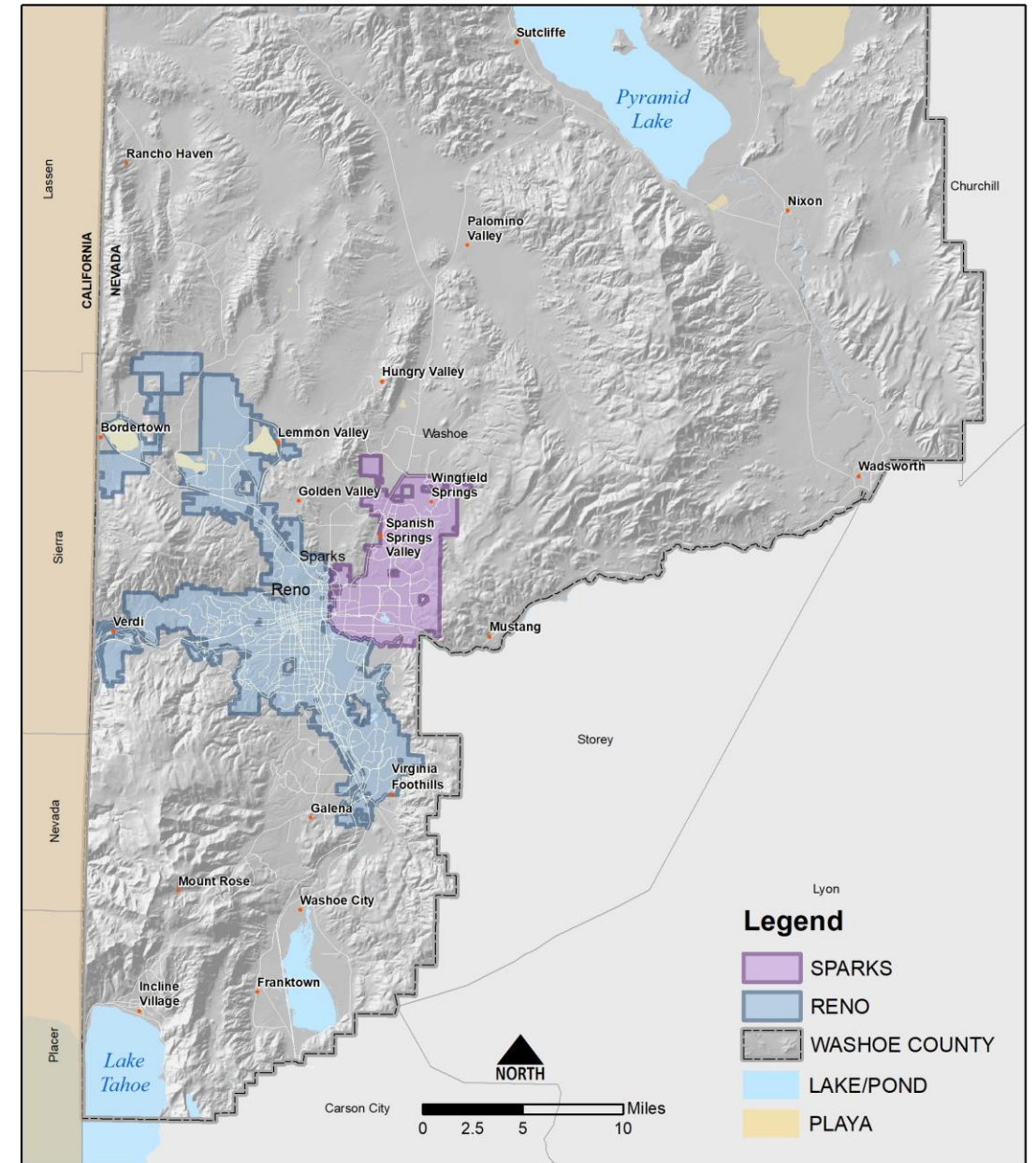
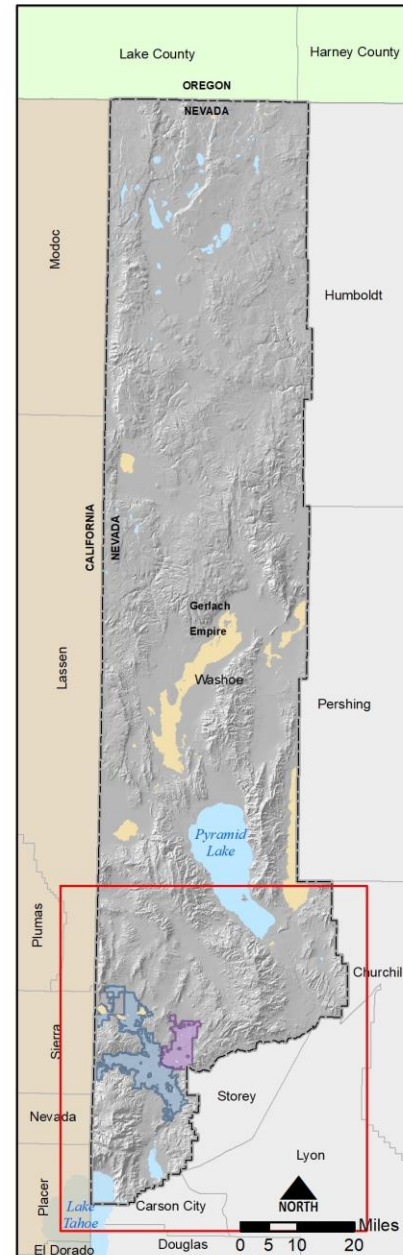






## Incorporated Cities in Washoe County

- City of Reno
- City of Sparks
- Washoe County





# Governance

## Jurisdictions in Washoe County:

- City of Reno
- City of Sparks
- Washoe County Health District
- Washoe County School District
- Sun Valley GID
- Incline GID
- Gerlach GID
- Palomino Valley GID
- Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District
- North Lake Tahoe Fire Protection District

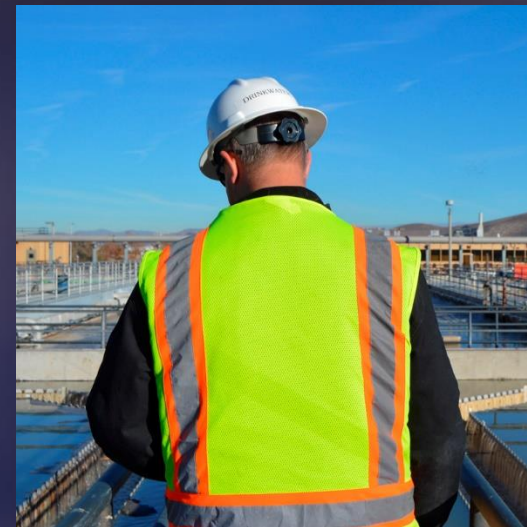
## Additional Governing Bodies:

- Regional Transportation Commission
- Reno-Sparks Convention & Visitors Authority
- Tahoe Regional Planning Governing Board
- Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Governing Board
- Truckee Meadows Water Authority
- Truckee River Flood Management Authority
- Economic Development Authority of Western Nevada
- Western Nevada Development District
- Western Regional Water Commission





# Local Service Responsibility



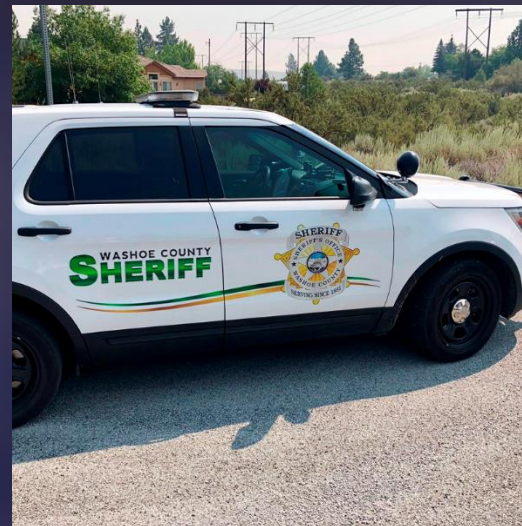
## Local services for unincorporated Washoe County Residents:

- Building and Safety Services
- Business Licensing
- Community Parks and Recreation
- Fire Protection
- Land Use Planning and Services
- Law Enforcement-Patrol/Detectives
- Road Maintenance
- Snow Plowing
- Storm-water Management
- Wastewater Utilities





# Regional Service Responsibility



## Regional services for all Washoe County Residents:

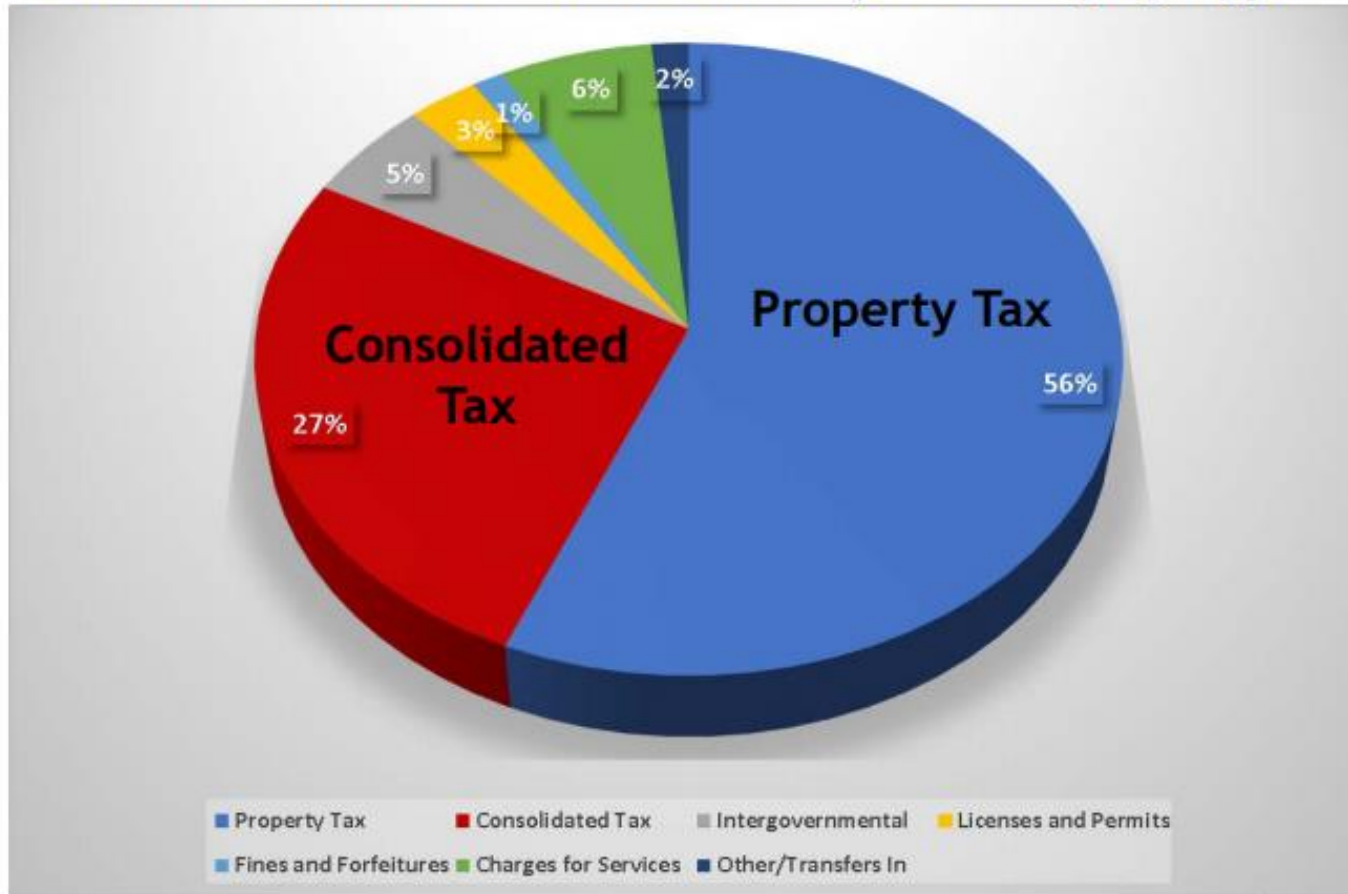
- Animal Control
- Consolidated Jail
- Coroner/Medical Examiner
- Courts: District/ Justice
- Crime Lab/Forensic Services
- Criminal Defense
- Criminal Prosecution
- Document Recording
- Emergency Operations
- Community Health, Environmental Health, Air Quality
- Libraries
- Marriage Licenses
- Property Assessment
- Public Administrator
- Public Guardianships
- Regional Aviation Enforcement Unit (RAVEN)
- Regional Parks & Open Space
- Human Services Agency – Child Protection, Adult & Senior Services
- Treasurer Services
- Voter Registration & Elections





# General Fund - Revenue

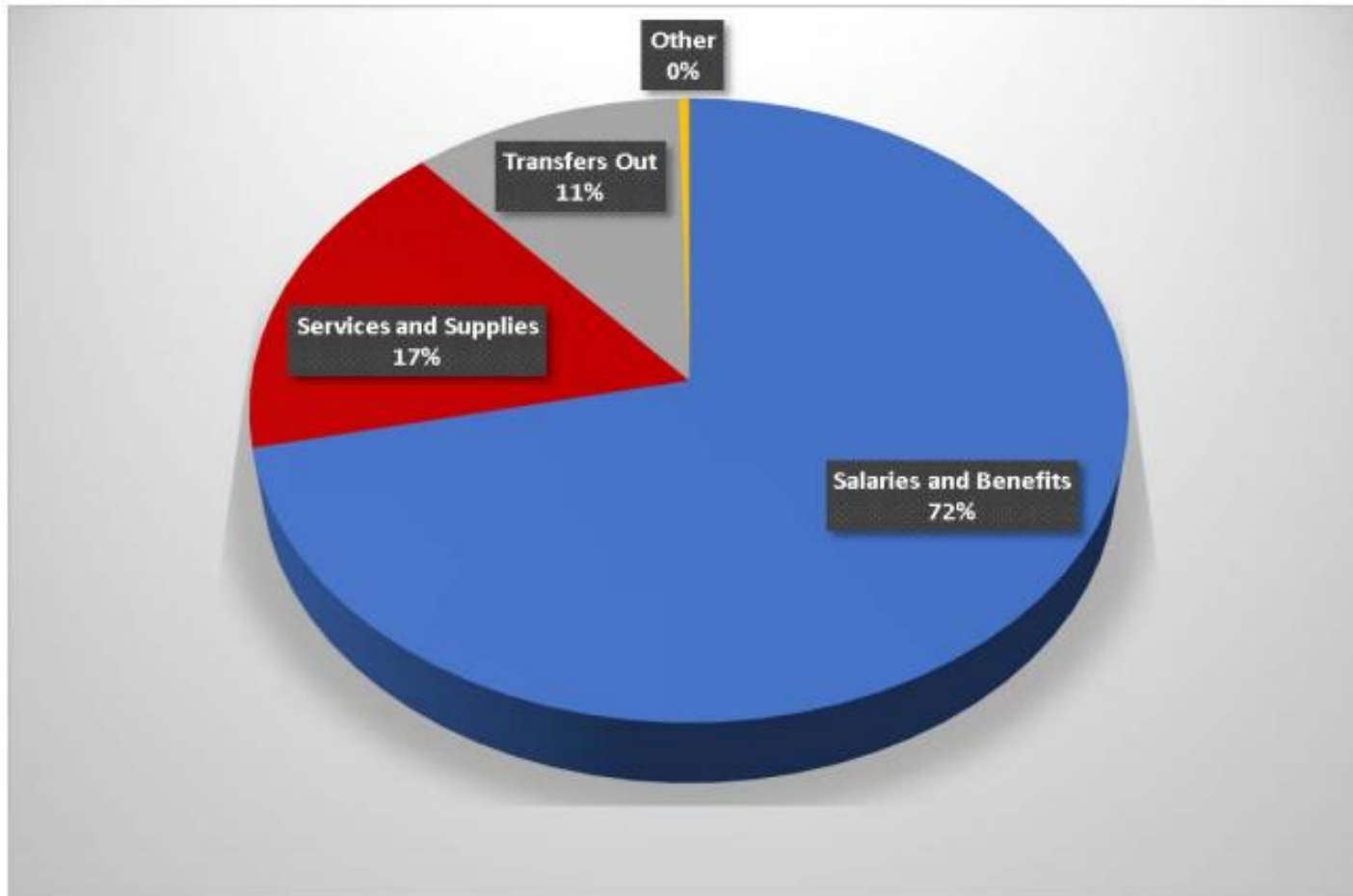
General Fund Revenues/Sources (\$339.8M) by Type





# General Fund - Expenses

General Fund Expenses/Uses (\$355.5M) by Type

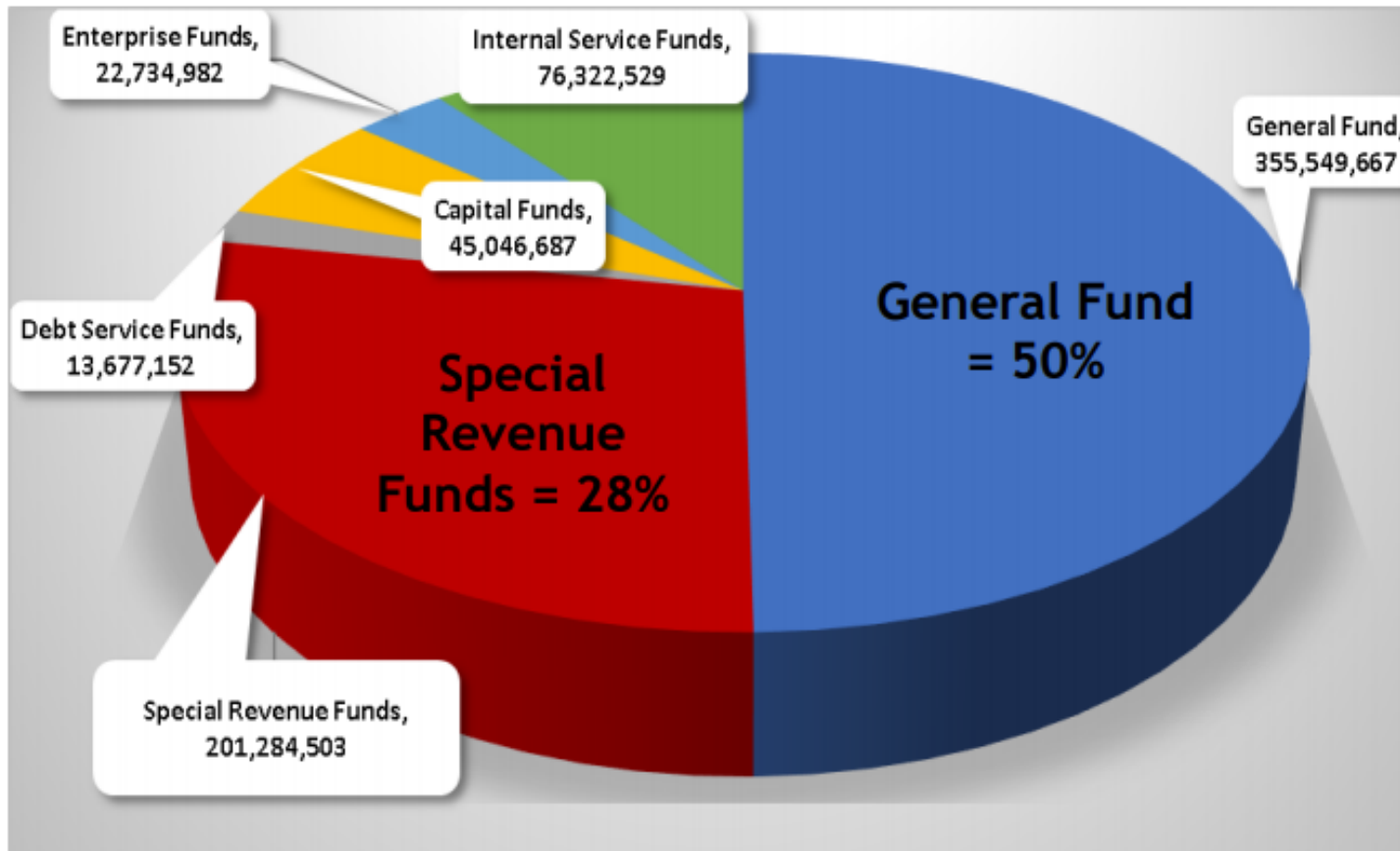






# Budget - All Funds

Total Appropriations (\$714.6M) by Fund/Fund Type



General Fund is  
50% of Total  
Budget (All  
Funds)



# CARES Act Funding Allocations



\*\$750,000 of County allocation directed to **regional Incident Management Team**

*\* Not inclusive of Health District direct allocation or other funding*





# COVID Response & Crisis Management

- **Lead entity** with regional (signatory) partners – Health, Incident Management Team, Reno, Sparks
- **Collaborated as a region** to appropriate \$86 million in CARES funding throughout Washoe County
- **Managed a balanced expenditure** of \$20.2 million in CARES funding specific to Washoe County



# Washoe County COVID Response

Expenditures by Eligibility Category	Amount	% of Total
Public Health Expenses	\$ 7,496,780	37.0%
Personal Protective Equipment	1,884,384	9.3%
COVID-19 Testing and Contact Tracing	110,341	0.5%
Payroll for Public Employees Dedicated to COVID-19	7,662,218	37.8%
Expenses to Facilitate COVID-19 Measures	1,947,048	9.6%
Economic Support - Small Business, Housing & Food Assistance	1,131,650	5.6%
Administration Expenses	22,398	0.1%
	\$ 20,254,818	100.0%

- CARES expenditures by eligible category March 1, 2020 – December 30, 2020
- Final reconciliation and reporting currently in process (due to state by March 1, 2021)





# COVID Outreach



## Campaign Highlights

Total Campaign Impressions

29,559,670

306,640 Social Engagements

79,818 Total Website Visits

619 One-On-One Outreach Connections



Washoe County took the lead in the creation of the Regional Information Center, an effort to present cohesive communications around COVID-19 in Washoe County. A marketing campaign was launched in fall 2020 to promote healthy protocols, and is now transitioning to a pro-vaccine message.





# Service to our most vulnerable populations







# Our Place Campus







# Capacity

## Independent Youth

- Previous: No separation age 18-21
- Our Place: **36** beds

## Women

- Previous: 50 beds
- Our Place: **105** beds

## Families/Maternity

- Previous: 27 beds
- Our Place: **38** family bedrooms

**COVID Expansion – 8B repurpose to house 10 additional families**



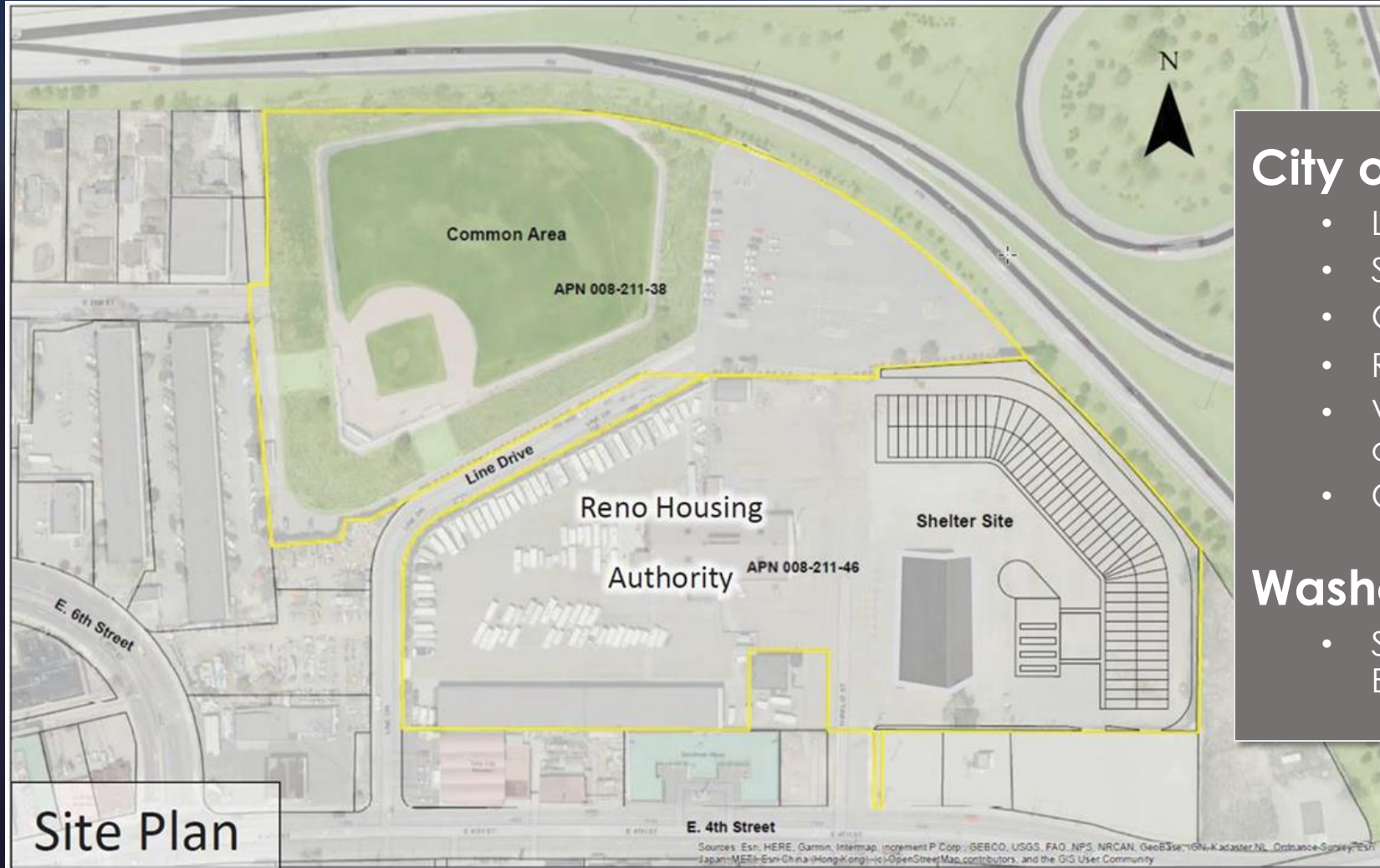
## Daycare

- Previous: 44 Children
- Our Place: **85** children





# Nevada Cares Campus



## City of Reno Facilitating:

- Land acquisition
- Shelter design and purchase
- Grading/site prep
- Reno Housing Authority development
- Volunteers of America – facility operator
- Current lead of the CoC

## Washoe County Facilitating:

- Safe camping location (Governor's Bowl Park area)





# Interlocal Agreement for Homeless Operations - 2021

- Washoe County (\$5,674,067)
  - Lead for Women/Families
  
- City of Reno (\$1,837,239)
  - Lead for Men's facility
  - Coordinate providers and tenants
  
- City of Sparks (\$ 646,950)
  - Coordinate with and support lead entities

20/21 Shelter Operations Budget	
Men's Shelter	\$4,363,153
Women and Family Shelter	\$3,795,104
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,158,257</b>



# Washoe County Legislative Priorities

## **Respect for Governmental Roles**

- Partners providing service to our shared constituents

## **Regional Solutions to Service Provision**

- Intergovernmental collaboration

## **Recover our Economic Strength**

- Support economic recovery and development

## **Communication**

- Effective representation of Washoe County's legislative goals





# Washoe County Legislative Team

**Jamie Rodriguez**  
**Government Affairs Manager**

Manager's Office Contracts with  
Lewis Roca Rothgerber Christie

**Jennifer Noble**  
**District Attorney's Office**

**Corey Solferino**  
**Sheriff's Office**

**Mary Sarah Kinner**  
**Sheriff's Office**

**Kendra Bertschy**  
**Public Defender's Office**

**Joelle Gutman Dodson**  
**Washoe County Health District**



