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CONTRACT FOR SERVICES OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

A CONTRACT BETWEEN
DOUGLAS COUNTY
PO BOX 218
MINDEN, NV 89423
("COUNTY")

AND

ROBERT STONE
1203 WEST COTTAGE LOOP
GARDNERVILLE, NV 89460
("CONTRACTOR")

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OUGLAS COUNTY CLERK

WHEREAS, Douglas County is a political subdivision of the State of Nevada, and from time to time requires the services of independent contractors; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed that the services of Contractor herein specified are both necessary and desirable and in the best interests of Douglas County; and

WHEREAS, Contractor represents that he is duly qualified, equipped, staffed, ready, willing and able to perform and render the services hereinafter described.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the agreements herein made, the parties mutually agree as follows:

- 1. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM OF CONTRACT. Upon signature by both parties, this Contract shall be retroactively effective to September 1, 2020 and remain in effect through August 31, 2021, unless earlier terminated in accordance with Paragraph 6 herein..
- 2. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS. The parties agree that Contractor shall have the status of an independent contractor and that this contract, by explicit agreement of the parties, incorporates and applies the provisions of NRS 333.700(3)(b), as necessarily adapted, to the parties, including that Contractor is not a County employee and that

There shall be no:

- (1) Withholding of income taxes by the County:
- (2) Industrial insurance coverage provided by the County;
- (3) Participation in group insurance plans which may be available to employees of the County;
- (4) Participation or contributions by either the independent contractor or the County to the public employee's retirement system;
- (5) Accumulation of vacation leave or sick leave;
- (6) Unemployment compensation coverage provided by the County if the requirements of NRS 612.085 for independent contractors are met.

3. INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE.

A. Unless the Contractor complies with ¶ B below, Contractor further agrees, as a precondition to the performance of any work under this contract and as a precondition to any obligation of the County to make any payment under this contract, to provide the County with a work certificate and/or a certificate issued by a qualified insurer in accordance with NRS § 616B.627. Contractor also agrees, prior to commencing any work under the contract, to complete and to provide the following written request to the insurer:

ROBERT STONE. entered into a contract with Douglas County to provide drug and alcohol counseling, facilitate groups for recovery, provide outreach for Opioid addiction prevention, and jail discharge planning at the direction of the Douglas County Social Services Department, and requests that the State Industrial Insurance System provide to Douglas County 1) a certificate of coverage issued pursuant to NRS § 616B.627 and 2) notice of any lapse in coverage or nonpayment of coverage that the contractor is required to maintain. The certificate and notice should be mailed to:

Douglas County Post Office Box 218 Minden, Nevada 89423

Contractor agrees to maintain required worker's compensation coverage throughout the entire term of the contract. If contractor does not maintain coverage throughout the entire term of the contract, contractor agrees that County may, at any time the coverage is not maintained by contractor, order the contract to stop work, suspend the contract, or terminate the contract. For each six-month period this contract is in effect, contractor agrees, prior to the expiration of the six-month period, to provide another written request to the insurer for the provision of a certificate and notice of lapse in or nonpayment of coverage. If contractor does not make the request or does not provide the certificate before the expiration of the six-month period, contractor agrees that County may order the contractor to stop work, suspend the contract, or terminate the contract.

- **B.** Contractor may, in lieu of furnishing a certificate of an insurer, provide an affidavit in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** indicating that he is a sole proprietor and that:
 - 1. In accordance with the provisions of NRS 616B.659, has not elected to be included within the terms, conditions and provisions of chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, of NRS; and
 - 2. Is otherwise in compliance with those terms, conditions and provisions.

- 4. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED. The parties agree that the services to be performed by Contractor are specified as follows: to provide drug and alcohol counseling, facilitate groups for recovery, provide outreach for Opioid addiction prevention, and jail discharge planning at the request of the Douglas County Social Services Department.
- 5. PAYMENT FOR SERVICES. Contractor agrees to provide the services set forth in ¶ 4 at the hourly rate of \$50.00, for a total cost not to exceed \$64,983.00 during the Contract term. Contractor shall be paid monthly after invoices are submitted to County for the services set forth in ¶ 4. The services are solely reimbursable through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) subgrant awarded to County and funded and administered through Community Chest Inc., 991 S C St Virginia City, NV 89440.
- **6. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT.** County may terminate this Contract at any time for any reason effective immediately upon written notice to Contractor. Contractor shall be paid for all services rendered up to the effective date of termination.
- 7. NON APPROPRIATION. All payments under this contract are contingent upon the availability to the County of sufficient HRSA grant funding. In accordance with NRS § 354.626 and any other applicable provision of law, the financial obligations under this contract between the parties shall not exceed those monies appropriated and approved by the County for this contract for the then current fiscal year under the Local Government Budget Act. This contract shall terminate and the County's obligations under it shall be extinguished if the County fails to appropriate monies.

Nothing in this contract shall be construed to provide Contractor with a right of payment over any other entity. Any funds obligated by the County under this contract that are not paid to Contractor shall automatically revert to the County's discretionary control upon the completion, termination, or cancellation of the agreement. The County shall not have any obligation to re-award or to provide, in any manner, the unexpended funds to Contractor. Contractor shall have no claim of any sort to the unexpended funds.

- 8. Construction of Contract& Dispute Resolution. This contract shall be construed and interpreted according to the laws of the State of Nevada. There will be no presumption for or against the drafter in interpreting or enforcing the Contract. In the event a dispute arises between the Parties, the Parties promise and agree to first meet and confer to resolve any dispute. If such meeting does not resolve the dispute, then the Parties agree to mediate any dispute arising from or relating to the Contract before an independent mediator mutually agreed to by the parties. The fee rate or charge of the mediator will be shared equally by the Parties, who will otherwise be responsible for their own attorney's fees and costs. If mediation is unsuccessful, litigation may only proceed before a department of the Ninth Judicial Court of the State of Nevada in and for the County of Douglas that was not involved in the mediation process and attorney's fees and costs will be awarded to the prevailing party at the discretion of the court. The Parties mutually agree to not seek punitive damages against either Party.
- 9. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAWS. Contractor shall fully and completely comply with all applicable local, state and federal laws, regulations, orders, or requirements of any sort in carrying out the obligations of this contract, including, but not limited to, all federal, state, and local procedures and requirements and all immigration and naturalization laws.
- 10. ASSIGNMENT. Contractor shall not assign, transfer nor delegate any rights, obligations or duties under this contract without the prior written consent of the County.

- 11. COUNTY INSPECTION. The books, records, documents and accounting procedures and practices of Contractor related to this contract shall be subject to inspection, examination and audit by the County, including, but not limited to, the contracting agency, the County Manager, the District Attorney, and, if applicable, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any authorized representative of those entities.
- 12. DISPOSITION OF CONTRACT MATERIALS. Any books, reports, studies, photographs, negatives or other documents, data, drawings or other materials prepared by or supplied to Contractor in the performance of its obligations under this contract shall be the exclusive property of the County and all such materials shall be remitted and delivered, at Contractor's expense, by Contractor to the County upon completion, termination or cancellation of this contract. Alternatively, if the County provides its written approval to Contractor, any books, reports, studies, photographs, negatives or other documents, data, drawings or other materials prepared by or supplied to Contractor in the performance of its obligations under this contract must be retained by Contractor for a minimum of six years after final payment is made and all other pending matters are closed. If, at any time during the retention period, the County, in writing, requests any or all of the materials, then Contractor shall promptly remit and deliver the materials, at Contractor's expense, to the County. Unless the County has requested remittance and delivery by Contractor of the items. Contractor shall not use, willingly allow or cause to have such materials used for any purpose other than the performance of Contractor's obligations under this contract without the prior written consent of the County.
- 13. PUBLIC RECORDS LAW. Contractor expressly agrees that all documents ever submitted, filed, or deposited with the County by Contractor, unless designated as confidential by a specific statute of the State of Nevada, shall be treated as public records pursuant to NRS Chapter 239 and shall be available for inspection and copying by any person, as defined in NRS 0.039, or any governmental entity. Contractor expressly and indefinitely waives all of its rights to bring, including but not limited to, by way complaint, interpleader, intervention, or any third party practice, any claims, demands, suits, actions, judgments, or executions, for damages or any other relief, in any administrative or judicial forum, against the County or any of its officers or employees, in either their official or individual capacity, for violations of or infringement of the copyright laws of the United States or of any other nation.
- 14. INDEMNIFICATION. Contractor agrees to indemnify and save and hold the County, its agents and employees harmless from any and all third party claims, causes of action or liability, including attorney's fees, expert fees, and other costs, arising from the performance of this contract by Contractor or Contractor's agents or employees.
- 15. PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE. Contractor agrees to acquire and maintain professional liabilit insurance in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 per claim during the term of this contract, at Contractor's sole expense. Proof of insurance must be sent to the Douglas County Social Services Department. Douglas County must be notified at least 30 days in advance of any cancellation or nonrenewal of such insurance.

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16. INTEGRATION & MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT. This contract supersedes all prior agreements between the parties, constitutes the entire contract between the parties, and may only be modified by a written amendment signed by the parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this contract to be signed and intend to be legally bound thereby. Robert Storfe Patrick Cates, County Manager By and On Behalf of (Date) Douglas County, Nevada

Exhibit A

AFFIDAVIT

I, ROBERT STONE, being duly sworn, depose and declare:

- 1) I am a Sole Proprietor;
- 2) I will not use the services of any employees in the performance of this contract;
- 3) I have elected to not be included in the terms, conditions, and provisions of NRS Chapters 616A- 616D, inclusive; and
- 4) I am otherwise in compliance with the terms, conditions and provisions of NRS Chapters 616A-616D.

I release Douglas County from all liability associated with claims made against me and my company, in the performance of this contract, that relate to compliance with NRS Chapters 616A-616D, inclusive.

Signed this day of, Ou 2021.

Douglas County

State of Nevada

Signature

State of Nevada

County of Douglas

CERTIFIED COPY

I certify that the document to which this certificate is attached is a full and correct copy of the original record on file in the Clerk-Treasurer's Office on this

By Melling Williams

On this 25 day of Angust, 2021, before the undersigned Notary Public, ROBERT STONE, personally appeared and having proved on a satisfactory basis to be the person whose name is subscribed to this instrument and acknowledge that she executed it.

Witness my hand and official seal.

OWEN WINBURN
Notary Public
State of Nevada
Appt. No. 21-3531-05
My Appt. Expires July 6, 2025

Notary's Signature