



Harness passion, deploy expertise and leverage resources for the purposes of integrating services and the support necessary to effectively and efficiently improve the long-term social and economic well-being of individuals and families.

## **Project Description**

The **ODDIE PROJECT**, a multi-faceted regional initiative delivering the following services:

- Affordable, quality Childcare for 100 children ages infant-5 years of age
- Commercial grade production kitchen for meal preparation
- Workforce training and job placement for high demand industry sectors: Construction, Healthcare, IT,
   Hospitality/Food Service and internships for students pursuing professions in human services
  - Onsite Industry Recognized Certifications include Multi-Core Craft Curriculum (MC3), ServSafe,
     OSHA-10, First Aid/CPR, Community Health Worker, Retail Certification, Scratch Coding with skill development in HTML/JavaScript/Python
- Community Food Pantry/Market
- Community Connection Center/Resource Hub
- Multi-use Community Meeting and Classroom Space (GED/HiSET training, citizenship classes, parenting classes, etc.)
- Wraparound case management includes individualized needs assessments completed by workforce
  development specialists to assess educational needs, workforce strengths, and barriers the individual has
  faced. Specialists work with clients to develop a plan, complete soft skills training, monitor progress and
  provide coaching throughout program participation.

#### **Project Location**

The 7.5 acre parcel features 65,067 square feet of space in Sparks, Nevada, at the corner of Oddie Boulevard and Sullivan Lane in the 89431 zip code. By percentage, there are significantly more: single parent households, households without a vehicle, households receiving SNAP, households receiving public assistance, renters spending 30% or more of income on rent, children and families living below poverty level, people over 25 without a high school diploma and instances of poor mental health. This zip code, and surrounding zip codes, are classified under the Social Vulnerability Index as *high vulnerability areas*.

#### **Project Outcomes**

By turning a vacant building into a thriving center for community—based services, this project will bring tangible solutions to conditions impacting the social determinants of health. We believe that not only will the center thrive, but also the community will thrive.

Quality, licensed, affordable childcare will provide effective early childhood development opportunities for children living in a community with a high Social Vulnerability Index. The (Professor) Heckman Equation has proven that investment in early childhood development will produce great returns to individuals and society in better education, health, economic and social outcomes. Parents have reliable, affordable, quality licensed childcare for their families enabling them to seek and maintain employment or education.

Culinary workforce training will provide individuals with basic culinary training and soft skills support. Students will become ServSafe® certified, the industry standard for food safety and handling; receive training and placement in an internship in the food service industry; assist in the preparation of meals for those facing food insecurity as part of the hands-on training; and receive job placement. Supportive case management services will provide graduates maximize their employment opportunities and continue to build positive work behavior post-graduation.

Increase employment opportunities for individuals by offering training and certification programs in conjunction with soft-skills support.

Local employers will have a candidate pool from which to hire and will provide consultation that aligns with employer demand suitable to market and community need.

Deliver person/family-centered wrap around case management services.

Connect individuals/families who do not have an established medical home with healthcare provider.

Increase educational opportunities through GED/HSE classes, test preparation and testing center for adult/youth who have not completed their high school education and English language learners.

Create experiential pathways for students pursuing professions in human-centered work in collaboration with the Nevada System of Higher Education.

## **Project Partners**

The **Oddie Project** is a legal partnership between two well-established local non-profit organizations, The Children's Cabinet (established 1985) and Food Bank of Northern Nevada (established 1983), who share a common objective to solve specific social problems that have been exacerbated by the global pandemic. Our individual missions are strengthened by our willingness and ability to come together to move toward action and results that will create lasting impact. As the **Oddie Project** grows, the intention is to partner with non-profits and public partners to continue to meet the unique needs of the children, families and individuals in this community. **Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows** will manage the childcare center; **Community Health Alliance** (current tenant) will provide healthcare services; **Northern Nevada Literacy Council** will conduct classes onsite, such as GED prep.



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# Proposed Amendment to Senate Bill 263 on behalf of the Children's Cabinet and the Food Bank of Northern Nevada

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The purpose of this amendment is to require the Children's Cabinet and the Food Bank of Northern Nevada to match the \$4,000,000.00 for the renovation from non-state funds. The amendment also makes the bill effective apon passage and approval.

EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of **green bold underlining** is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) red strikethrough is deleted language in the original bill; (4) purple double strikethrough is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

Add a new language on page 2, line 3:

WHEREAS, The Children's Cabinet and the Food Bank of Northern Nevada, nonprofit organizations, shall acquire non-state funds in the amount of \$4,000,000.00 for the purpose of matching the \$4,000,000.00 requested in Section 1 of this bill for the renovation to the Children's Cabinet; and

Section 1

Add language for the matching 4MM for renovation; and

Section 1. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Children's Cabinet the sum of \$8,000,000 for the purchase of land and any buildings thereon, and the sum of \$4,000,000, matched equally up to \$4,000,000.00 raised from non-state funds by the Choildren's Cabinet and Food Bank of Northern Nevada for the renovation by the Children's Cabinet—of the parcel of land and any buildings thereon, located at 2244 Oddie 17 Boulevard, Sparks, Nevada. The parcel of land proposed for 18 acquisition lies in a portion of the NE 1/4 of Section 6, Township 19 19 North, Range 20 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, County of 20 Washoe, State of Nevada. Said parcel being more particularly 21 described as:

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023 upon Passage and approval.

# SENATE BILL NO. 263–SENATORS SEEVERS GANSERT; DALY, HANSEN AND KRASNER

#### MARCH 13, 2023

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN ANDERSON, O'NEILL, DICKMAN; LA RUE HATCH, PETERS AND TAYLOR

#### Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes an appropriation to the Children's Cabinet for the purchase and renovation of a parcel of land to carry out the Oddie Project. (BDR S-921)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT making an appropriation to the Children's Cabinet for the purchase and renovation of a parcel of land to carry out the Oddie Project; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

WHEREAS, The Children's Cabinet and the Food Bank of Northern Nevada, nonprofit organizations, are proposing the Oddie Project, which would serve a high poverty sector in Sparks, Nevada, by providing access to childcare, workforce and job training and wraparound services designed to help individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, The high poverty sector that the Oddie Project intends to serve includes significantly more single-parent households, households without a vehicle, households receiving assistance under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, households receiving public assistance, renters spending 30 percent or more of their income on rent, children and families living below the poverty level, people over the age of 25 without a high school diploma and instances of poor mental health; and

WHEREAS, The Oddie Project includes the purchase of a parcel of land, which contains a grocery store that will be renovated to



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construct spaces for child care, workforce development, offices, community education and meetings; and

WHEREAS, The goal of the Oddie Project is to harness passion, deploy expertise and leverage resources for the purposes of integrating services and support necessary to effectively and efficiently improve the long-term social and economic well-being of individuals and families; now, therefore,

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Children's Cabinet the sum of \$8,000,000 for the purchase of land and any buildings thereon, and the sum of \$4,000,000 for the renovation by the Children's Cabinet of the parcel of land and any buildings thereon, located at 2244 Oddie Boulevard, Sparks, Nevada. The parcel of land proposed for acquisition lies in a portion of the NE 1/4 of Section 6, Township 19 North, Range 20 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, County of Washoe, State of Nevada. Said parcel being more particularly described as:

Beginning at the southeast corner of Parcel 1-C, as shown on Parcel Map No. 5431 for Plaza 800 Partners, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, File No. 4970983, recorded November 7, 2019, Official Records of Washoe County, Nevada, said point being further described as lying on the northerly right-of-way line of Oddie Boulevard, a 100foot-wide public roadway; thence along said northerly rightof-way line N 89°22'35" W, a distance of 433.87 feet; thence departing said northerly right-of-way line N 0°39'29" E, a distance of 270.58 feet; thence N 89°08'50" W, a distance of 94.94 feet; thence N 23°36'37" W, a distance of 22.40 feet; thence N 0°38'46" E, a distance of 181.60 feet; thence S 89°24'38" E, a distance of 61.59 feet; thence N 0°39'22" E, a distance of 97.52 feet; thence S 89°20'12" E, a distance of 32.95 feet; thence N 19°58'12" E, a distance of 61.46 feet to a point on the southerly right-of-way line of Greenbrae Drive, a 70-foot-wide public roadway; thence along said southerly right-of-way line the following three courses; S 70°01'48" E, a distance of 231.56 feet; along the arc of a tangent curve to the left, having a radius of 535.00 feet through a central angle of 20°09'58", a distance of 188.30 feet; N 89°48'14" E, a distance of 133.49 feet; thence departing said southerly rightof-way line along the arc of a tangent curve to the right,





having a radius of 40.00 feet, through a central angle of 92°17'12", a distance of 64.43 feet to a point on the westerly right-of-way line of Sullivan Lane, a 70-foot-wide public roadway; thence along said westerly right-of-way line S 2°05'26" W, a distance of 342.70 feet; thence departing westerly right-of-way line N 89°22'35" W, a distance of 142.24 feet; thence 2°05'26" W, a distance of 140.00 feet to the point of beginning, containing 7.50 acres of land, more or less

#### ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 026-442-11

- 2. Upon acceptance of the money appropriated by subsection 1, the Children's Cabinet agrees to:
- (a) Prepare and transmit a report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before December 20, 2024, that describes each expenditure made from the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was received by the Children's Cabinet through December 1, 2024;
- (b) Prepare and transmit a final report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before December 18, 2026, that describes each expenditure made from the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was received by the Children's Cabinet through December 1, 2026;
- (c) Prepare and transmit a final report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before September 17, 2027, that describes each expenditure made from the money appropriated by subsection 1 from the date on which the money was received by the Children's Cabinet through June 30, 2027; and
- (d) Upon request of the Legislative Commission, make available to the Legislative Auditor any of the books, accounts, claims, reports, vouchers or other records of information, confidential or otherwise, of the Children's Cabinet, regardless of their form or location, that the Legislative Auditor deems necessary to conduct an audit of the use of the money appropriated pursuant to subsection 1.
- 3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2027, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 17, 2027, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 17, 2027.





Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.





