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Grief Support Trust Account Report Overview

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# Grief Support Trust Fund Background

- In 2017, the 79th Legislature created the Grief Support Trust Account pursuant to Senate Bill 355 to support non-profit community organizations that provide grief support services to children who have experienced the loss of a relative or other person who had a significant emotional relationship with the child. Services may also be provided to parents and/or adult caregivers who have experienced the loss of a child.
- Eligibility Requirements:
  - Minimum of at least two years experience in providing age-appropriate peer support groups for children between the ages of 3 to 18 years of age and provide such peer support groups biweekly from September to May of each calendar year;
  - Is a current member of the National Alliance for Children's Grief;
  - Provide grief support services free of charge; and
  - Must keep aggregate information relating to the number of children served by the organization and the demographic information of such children, including, without limitation: a children's age, gender, race, ethnicity, school attendance, and family income.

## SFY23 SFY24 Grief Trust Support Account Annual Report Summary

• \$72,425 expended each year by two (2) providers of grief support services – Adam's Place (LV) and Solace Tree (Reno).

### • Adam's Place:

- Offers Camp Cope that provides high-quality, psychoeducational peer support groups to facilitate healthy coping skills, peer connection, and individual resiliency.
- Adam's Place is committed to the growth of sustainable programs, through training, education, and skill development.
- Hosted their First Annual Conference on Children's Grief Support Groups and expanded their monthly webinar offerings.

### • Solace Tree:

- Increased access to school-based bereavement services for children and parents in Washoe County and surrounding areas, including support groups and grief counseling groups.
- Training school district staff and teachers in Washoe County and surrounding areas in trauma-informed approaches for students and providing support to staff.

