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COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS

Clark County – Las Vegas – North Las Vegas – Henderson – Boulder City – Southern Nevada Homeless Coalition – U. S. Department of Veteran Affairs – Southern Nevada Adult Mental Health

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Homeless Trust Fund Receives First Contribution Las Vegas Walk of Stars to Present Check at Homeless Meeting

The Southern Nevada Regional Homeless Trust Fund will receive its first contribution for \$3,000 from the Las Vegas Walk of Stars at the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition’s Committee on Homelessness meeting today at 2 p.m. in the North Las Vegas City Council Chambers.

“This contribution is an excellent example of how the private sector can help resolve homelessness in our community,” said Regional Homeless Services Coordinator Paula Haynes-Green. “The Las Vegas Walk of Stars organization has set the example by agreeing to contribute 5 percent or \$750 of each star to the regional homeless trust fund.”

Reporting to the Committee on Homelessness, Haynes-Green is responsible for developing a regional plan detailing how homelessness will be addressed in Southern Nevada. “Because homelessness is a regional issue, it’s so important that our private and corporate citizens be involved in this regional effort with us,” she said.

In late 2003, the Committee on Homelessness was chartered with developing a regional plan to reduce homelessness and create a dedicated source of funds for implementing the plan. The Southern Nevada Regional Homeless Trust Fund was established as a solution to the lack of funding targeting homeless services and housing. On Dec. 9, the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition board of directors approved the homeless trust fund and assigned its fiscal responsibility to the United Way of Southern Nevada.

The Motion Picture Hall of Fame Foundation, known as the Las Vegas Walk of Stars, is a non-profit foundation. Friends and family of celebrities and civic leaders can submit a nomination to the Las Vegas Walk of Stars nominating committee. Stars are installed along both sides of the Strip from Sahara Avenue to Russell Road.

What:	Las Vegas Walk of Stars makes first contribution to the Southern Nevada Regional Homeless Trust Fund.
Who:	Las Vegas Walk of Stars Vice President Danny Pharmer will present the check to the Committee on Homeless.
When	During the SNRPC’s Committee on Homelessness meeting on Thursday, Feb. 17 at 2 p.m.
Where:	North Las Vegas City Council Chambers, 2200 Civic Center Drive, North Las Vegas.

Editor’s Note: Photo-op of Committee on Homeless members accepting check from Las Vegas Walk of Stars representative(s). Time of check presentation is at about 2 p.m. or shortly thereafter. Paula Haynes-Green will



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be available at 1 p.m. for media interviews prior to meeting. For more information, please contact Gina Olivares at 455-3531 or 236-3692.

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