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McKendree Appointed Reno Housing Authority Deputy Executive Director

RENO, Nev. — The Reno Housing Authority has appointed Heidi McKendree as its new deputy executive director. McKendree is a longtime employee who has served in several RHA roles including family self-sufficiency coordinator, elderly services coordinator and director of rental assistance.

Executive Director Amy Jones said she's thrilled to have McKendree's broad spectrum of housing knowledge on her executive team. "Heidi is the right person at the right time for RHA. We're expanding in new ways and she brings patience, efficiency and compassion to an organization whose mission it is to help those in need."

McKendree is a graduate of Southern Oregon University in Ashland, with a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice. She came to RHA more than 15 years ago and previously worked in discharge planning and social work for a skilled nursing facility in Portland.

"Between my time serving young families, older residents and then overseeing the rental assistance department, working at RHA has always given me a source of pride," she said. "Now moving into the deputy executive director role, when our agency is on the cusp of so many big things, I appreciate the opportunity to continue to do more."

The RHA employs about 70 people and manages millions of dollars of housing assistance each year to Washoe County residents. The agency is dedicated to providing affordable rental housing for Nevadans through several HUD funded programs. It is a full service housing authority that aims to assist individuals, families, elderly and disabled residents with low incomes. Using several avenues, the organization strives to not only provide quality housing opportunities, but to open doors for our community.

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Predominantly federally funded, the Reno Housing Authority provides affordable housing for qualifying residents of Reno, Sparks and Washoe County. We provide a place to call home for more than 4,000 families through Housing Choice Vouchers, public housing, and affordable market-rate properties. We've helped people afford to live in northern Nevada for 75 years.

