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## NEWS RELEASE

### **Douglas County, Nevada Launches Transparency Portal to Increase Government Accountability**

#### ***New User-Friendly Site Powered by the OpenGov Smart Government Cloud™ Makes It Easier for the Public to See How Tax Dollars are Spent Douglas County, NV***

**Minden, NV** – July 18, 2017 – Today, Douglas County, NV announced the launch of a new Transparency Portal <https://douglascountynv.opengov.com/> which consists of a cloud based platform in partnership with OpenGov, the leader in government performance management, to increase government accountability and improve access to important public information. The announcement delivers on the County Manager, Larry Werner and Chief Technology Officer, Sheri McGee’s, goal to more effectively engage the community and improve transparency with stakeholders through modern technology.

“We want our residents to navigate through data relevant to Douglas County with ease, and provide an open and transparent format that can be viewed and downloaded anywhere at anytime,” said County Manager Larry Werner. “It’s our desire to build greater trust in government and facilitate civic engagement.”

Douglas County’s new Transparency Portal empowers government officials and staff to conduct better analysis and performance measurement by improving access to key financial and non-financial data. The new site allows local residents to compare the County’s annual budget vs. actual spending, and other financial reports through the OpenGov link.. Residents can instantly find answers to frequently asked questions such as, “What is the County spending on salaries?” and The public can also download the data to review, and easily share over email and social media.

“We’re excited to partner with Douglas County to harness the power of technology to increase government effectiveness and accountability,” said OpenGov CEO Zac Bookman. “Whether reviewing department expenditures or expanded funding for road projects, public officials are now able to easily report and track financial information, and local residents can see how their tax dollars are being spent.”

Douglas County, with a population of over 45,000 residents, joins a growing number of local governments nationwide who rely on OpenGov’s next generation cloud software. The City of Boston recently launched its updated Open Data platform, “Analyze Boston” supported by the OpenGov Smart Government Cloud, and both the County of Kaua’i and Allegheny County in Pennsylvania have built robust transparency sites propelled by OpenGov.

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Douglas County's OpenGov platform can be viewed here:

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**About Douglas County**

Currently Douglas County operates under a commission-manager form of government. Douglas County government includes elected officials, departments, boards, and commissions. Douglas County is recognized as the gem of Northern Nevada. Douglas County is centrally located just 15 minutes south of Nevada's state capital and includes the truly one-of-a-kind Lake Tahoe with all it's summer and winter activities. In Douglas County you can still find open space, ranches, farms, historical sites and displays along with a wealth of outdoor activities and recreation. More information about Douglas County can be found at [www.douglascountynv.gov](http://www.douglascountynv.gov).

**About OpenGov**

OpenGov is the leader in government performance management, with easy-to-use cloud software for better budgeting, improved operational intelligence, and comprehensive open data. OpenGov solutions give governments the right tools and relevant data for more informed decision-making and better outcomes for the public.

Over 1,500 public agencies in 48 states are part of the growing OpenGov network. Founded in 2012, OpenGov customers include the State Treasurer of Ohio, the city of Minneapolis, MN; Maricopa County, AZ; and Washington, DC. OpenGov is backed by Andreessen Horowitz, Emerson Collective, 8VC, and Thrive Capital and has headquarters in Redwood City, CA.

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