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Las Vegas, NV (KTNV) -- Gov. Brian Sandoval announced USA Funds has selected Jobs for Nevada's Graduates (JAGNV) as the recipient of a \$1.25 million grant.

These funds will assist JAGNV achieve their expansion goal of 50 schools across Nevada by supporting new JAG programs in schools in Las Vegas.

The grant was announced at the inaugural meeting of the JAGNV Board of Directors on Friday.

"Without this program I would have never gone anywhere. I would have got a minimum wage job and stayed in it until I got all my hours. That's it, just to get money. Now I want a career," said Gabriella Madden, Las Vegas High School student.

JAGNV is a nonprofit program that has been credited with changing the lives of more than one million young people across the country by helping them stay in school and move on to pursue higher education and/or gainful employment.

JAGNV originated in the Office of Gov. Brian Sandoval in 2012 and currently serves 21 schools in 8 counties across Nevada.

The JAGNV model consists of a comprehensive set of services that applies a holistic approach to assisting students.