



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Probation Department
Department No.: 022
For Agenda Of: July 7, 2015
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Guadalupe Rabago, Chief Probation Officer, 882-3652
Director(s)
Contact Info: Steven DeLira, Deputy Chief Probation Officer, 739-8588

SUBJECT: **Juvenile Accountability Block Grant, contracts for services from Family Service Agency and Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Family Services Agency (FSA) to provide counseling services to youth participating in Juvenile Drug Court, through the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) in the Santa Barbara and Lompoc geographic areas for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-16, with a total contract amount not to exceed \$9,004 (the "Agreement") (Attachment A); and
- B. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the attached Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (CADA) to provide Teen Court case management services to youth diverted to Teen Court, through the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) in the Santa Barbara, Santa Maria and Lompoc geographical areas for Fiscal Year (FY) 2015-16, with a total contract amount not to exceed \$14,355 (the "Agreement") (Attachment B); and
- C. Determine that the approval of the Agreements are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 150619b)(3), finding that the activities are covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment, and where it can

be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this activity may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption (Attachment C).

Summary Text:

Youth participating in Juvenile Drug Court (JDC) programs can experience additional mental health concerns that cannot be adequately addressed in drug and alcohol counseling. JABG funding is used to provide the additional mental health counseling to JDC youth. These services often include the families and can occur in the home of the youth and in agency office.

The Probation Department receives referrals from law enforcement countywide for youth at are suspected of committing felonies, misdemeanors, infractions and status offenses. Intake Deputy Probation Officers review all available information, including from interviews with the youth and family, complete a validated risk assessment tool, and make a determination as to how to handle the matter. Those youths that have no or little prior record and are determined to be at a low risk to reoffend are referred to Teen Court for services.

At the April 3, 2015 meeting of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC), it was agreed that the FY 2015-16 JABG funding should be used to support substance abuse counseling services to youth participating in the JDC program, JDC Sober Activities, and Teen Court/Peer Review services.

Background:

Probation has received Juvenile Accountability and Incentive Block Grant funds from the Federal Office of Criminal Justice Planning (OCJP) since FY 1999-2000. The grant was renamed the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant in FY 2004-2005. The eighteen program purpose areas are as follows:

Graduated Sanctions; Corrections/detention facilities construction or operation; Court staffing and pretrial services; Hiring additional prosecutors; Expediting prosecution of violent offenders; Training for new law enforcement and court personnel; Juvenile gun courts; Juvenile drug courts; Juvenile records systems; Information sharing; Accountability based programs to reduce recidivism; Risk and needs assessments; School safety; restorative justice; Juvenile courts and probation; Detention/corrections personnel; Establishing, improving, and coordinating pre-release and post-release systems and programs to facilitate the successful re-entry of juvenile offenders from state and local custody to the community; and Hiring court-appointed defenders.

Since January 2002, JABG funds have consistently been utilized locally. Program Area 8, Juvenile Drug Courts, includes the provision of services to youth participating in the County's JDC programs. Teen Court/Peer Review case management of youth in the three geographic regions of the County is funded under Program Area 11, Accountability Based Programs to Reduce Recidivism.

Performance Measure:

The Performance Measure for the JDC In-Home counseling is:

- Make initial contact with referred client within three (3) business days of referral, and begin providing services within five (5) business days of that contact.

The Performance Measure for the Teen Court/Peer Review Program is:

- Ensure that at least 80 percent of Teen Court/Peer Review graduates referred from probation do not have a new felony or misdemeanor referral within six months of graduation. The data for the first quarter of FY13-14 shows that of the 68 successful completions of Teen Court, 67 or 98.5% did not have a new felony or misdemeanor referral within the six months following their successful completion.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal	\$ 23,359.00		
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 23,359.00	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

The JABG funds programs and services surrounding the JDC program and Teen Court/Peer Review Program. The total FY 2015-2016 budget amount totaled \$30,680 and includes funding to the Probation Department to organize and staff clean and sober activities for the JDC youth and a purchasing agreement with another vendor to provide counseling services for JDC youth in the Santa Maria area.

There will be no anticipated facility impacts. The project will use existing facilities.

Key Contract Risks:

The risk analysis has been completed and no key contract risks have been identified.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

No Effect

FTEs:

No Effect

Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) fully executed original of each contract and one (1) Minute Order to:

Lorna Merana, Probation Department, 117 East Carrillo Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Return one certified copy of the fully executed contracts to the Auditor Controller's Office.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Family Service Agency Agreement for Service of Independent Contractor (2 originals)

Attachment B: Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor (2 originals)

Attachment C: CEQA NOE

Authored by:

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cc: Family Service Agency
Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse