



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Probation  
**Department No.:** 022  
**For Agenda Of:** December 9, 2014  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Time:** N/A  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

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**SUBJECT:** Authorize the Release of the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant Program

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:** Risk Management

As to form: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

- A. Approve the guidelines established in the Request for Proposals (RFP) (Attachment A) for the Board of State and Community Corrections' (BSCC) Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant Program and authorize the release of the RFP by the Santa Barbara County Probation Department opening the proposal process from service providers; and,
- B. Determine that approval of the Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant Program RFP is not the approval of a project that is subject to environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines section 15378(b)(4), finding that the actions are not a project as they are the creation of government funding mechanisms or other government fiscal activities which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant impact on the environment, and direct staff to file the Notice of Exemption (Attachment B).

**Summary Text:**

The State of California "Budget Act of 2014" (Chapter 25, Statutes of 2014, SB 852) allocates \$8 million of one-time funding to the BSCC for the Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant described in California Penal Code section 1233.10 (Attachment C). Counties are eligible to receive funds if that County's Board of Supervisors (BOS), in collaboration with the county's

Community Corrections Partnership (CCP), agrees to develop a competitive grant program intended to fund community recidivism and crime reduction services. In developing the grant program, the BOS, in collaboration with the CCP, must establish minimum requirements, funding criteria and procedures for the county to award grants.

Grants must be awarded by the BOS to a nongovernmental entity or a consortium or coalition of nongovernmental entities that provide community recidivism and crime reduction services to persons who have been released from state prison, a county jail, or a juvenile detention facility, who are under the supervision of a parole or probation department, or any other person at risk of becoming involved in criminal activities. Community recidivism and crime reduction services include, but are not limited to, delinquency prevention, homelessness prevention, and reentry services. A more complete listing of acceptable services are included in Attachment C.

Counties receiving funds are also required to collect and submit data to the BSCC on grants awarded. Service providers that receive a grant are responsible for reporting to the county BOS or the CCP on the number of individuals served and the types of services provided. The BOS or the CCP must report any information received from grant recipients to the BSCC on or before July 1, 2015, and each year until the final reporting date of July 1, 2018.

Each county's allocation is based on the population within the county; Santa Barbara County's allocation was calculated to be \$100,000. In addition, pursuant to California Penal Code section 1233.10, subdivision (e), the maximum amount that can be awarded to a service provider is based on the population of the county; in Santa Barbara County, the maximum per service provider is \$25,000. Each county may use up to five percent of its allocation for administrative costs. This funding is available for expenditure for four years and any unspent funds revert to the state. Funds not encumbered with a service provider one year after allocation of grant funds to the county will immediately revert to the state.

**Background:**

Santa Barbara County's CCP was advised of this funding opportunity at its meeting on September 5, 2014, and in its support of the program, the CCP tasked the Realignment Implementation Workgroup with identifying service gaps and making recommendations regarding services that should be prioritized for funding. On September 16, 2014, the BOS authorized the County Executive Officer to submit a Letter of Interest to the BSCC notifying them of Santa Barbara County's intent to participate in the Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant Program by accepting and distributing Recidivism Reduction Funds in accordance with California Penal Code section 1233.10. The Workgroup recommended that the funding be utilized to enhance and expand services to the Realigned population of Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) and Post Sentence Supervision (PSS) offenders. At a meeting held on October 3, 2014, the CCP agreed to support the Realignment Implementation Workgroup's recommendations regarding a target population for the program and the funding guidelines included in the RFP. If approval from the BOS is secured, Probation intends to immediately release the RFP. Once proposals from services providers are received and scored, and recommendations for funding are made to the CCP, the matter will be brought back to the Board for final approval.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: No

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<b><u>Funding Sources</u></b>	<b><u>Current FY Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u></b>	<b><u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u></b>
General Fund			
State	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 75,000.00	
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 25,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 75,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**Narrative:**

There is a total of \$100,000 in State funding for the Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant which can be expended over a four (4) year period. It is estimated that one quarter of costs may be expended in FY14-15 after the Community Based Organizations are selected through the RFP process. The remaining funds will be expended in subsequent fiscal years up to the allocated funding for Santa Barbara County.

**Key Contract Risks:**

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

**Staffing Impacts: N/A**

**Legal Positions:**

N/A

**FTEs:**

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**Special Instructions:**

N/A

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: RFP

Attachment B: CEQA Notice of Exemption

Attachment C: Penal Code section 1233.10

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