



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: March 24, 2015
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: N/A
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5 Vote

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Guadalupe Rabago, Chief Probation Officer
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SUBJECT: **Approval of the Recommendations for the Issuance of Awards for the Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant Program**

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

- A. Approve the recommendations of the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) to award the Board of State and Community Corrections' (BSCC) Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant Program funds; and,
- B. Approve a Budget Revision Request (BRR #0003831, Attachment A) to establish appropriations of \$100,000 in the Probation Department, General Fund, for Services & Supplies (\$16,500) and an increase to Restricted Fund Balance (\$83,500), funded by unanticipated revenue from the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC); and,
- C. Determine that approval of the Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant Program Request for Proposals (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.

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.

On December 9, 2014, the Board of Supervisors (BOS), in collaboration with the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP), established minimum requirements, funding criteria and procedures for the County to award grants, and authorized the release of the RFP. The RFP was subsequently posted on Santa Barbara County’s General Services website on December 15, 2014, and included instructions mandating the submission of proposals by January 23, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. Also on December 15, 2014, a memo announcing

the availability of the RFP was electronically transmitted to members of the County’s Collaborative Courts Policy Council and Core Committees, as well as to local community based organizations (CBO).

An RFP Review Committee representing the CCP’s Realignment Planning Workgroup evaluated and scored all proposal submissions as per the criteria established in the RFP. After conducting a thorough assessment of all proposals, the RFP Review Committee collaborated on their findings and secured consensus to recommend to the CCP and the BOS that the following four (4) service providers be identified as Community Recidivism and Crime Reduction Services Grant Program awardees: Anger Management Specialists, Coast Valley Substance Abuse Treatment Center, Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, and Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center.

On February 6, 2015, the recommendations were presented to the CCP (Attachment D) and adopted unanimously. Pre-award meetings were subsequently held with each of the selected agencies and further details of the proposed scope of work and budgets were reviewed to ensure that each agency understood and concurred with the contracting requirements.

The Probation Department now seeks Board authorization to proceed with the awards and establishment of the four (4) purchasing agreements; amount not to exceed \$25,000 per agency. Each agency will be required to submit quarterly data and progress reports, which will be incorporated into the larger Realignment Plan and evaluation process. Although additional funding through the State is not assured, it is anticipated that those strategies which prove successful will be considered for continued funding through ongoing Realignment funds allocated to the County.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: No

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	\$ 16,500.00	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 16,500.00	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00

Narrative:

The grant is a one-time award of \$100,000. Four CBO’s will be contracted at \$25,000 for each provider. There will be 2 months of cost in FY2014-15 at \$16,500 with the remainder of the funding \$83,500 to be utilized in FY 2015-16. A Budget Revision request is attached.

There is no increase to the Probation Department’s General Fund contribution and no impact on facilities associated with this grant.

Key Contract Risks:

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

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:

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FTEs:

0.0

Special Instructions:

Please return two (2) Certified Minute Orders to Michael Cameron, at the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, 117 E. Carrillo St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Budget Revision Request
Attachment B: CEQA Notice of Exemption
Attachment C: Penal Code Section 1233.10
Attachment D: Memo to CCP

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