

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF THE
COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA,
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

A Resolution of the County of Santa Barbara, California Authorizing the Submission of an Application for Demonstration Project Grant Funds, and Providing Other Assurances

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, the County of Santa Barbara's population has increased steadily for several decades, and the population's arrest rate has also increased; and whereas these factors have caused a significant demand upon the jail system that is projected to continue in the future; and

Whereas both 1999 and 2008 jail needs assessments have indicated the need for more than 500 additional jail beds in the County by 2010; and

Whereas, the County of Santa Barbara has been under court order to reduce overcrowding since 1982, and has stipulated to various programs and actions to reduce the jail population, including restricting bookings into the jail, releasing inmates before completion of their sentence, and imposing a population cap; and

Whereas the National Institute of Corrections conducted a Justice System Assessment in April of 2006 and recommended a new jail in north Santa Barbara County and establishment of expanded programs; and

Whereas in February of 2008 the Blue Ribbon Commission on Jail Overcrowding recommended a blended approach to jail overcrowding including construction of a 300 bed new jail in northern Santa Barbara County and expanded programs and services for those returning to the community; and

Whereas in January of 2009 the Sheriff's Department developed a strategic plan to identify and pursue appropriate grant funding for the development of expanded programs and services for those returning to the community, and

Whereas the County of Santa Barbara has the ability to provide the necessary cash match of 25% as required by the U.S. Department of Justice under the Second Chance Act Prisoner Reentry Initiative through the Sheriff's Inmate Welfare Fund; and,

Whereas the County of Santa Barbara is willing to commit to provide the additional 25% In-kind match through the use of existing staff costs, facility lease costs and utility costs.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara hereby:

Approves the submission of an application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance for demonstration project grant funds; and

Appoints Sheriff Bill Brown as the County official authorized to sign the grant application and submit the proposal for funding, Lieutenant Mark Mahurin as the Project Contact Person for the U.S. Department of Justice, and Doug Martin as the County Demonstration Project Financial Officer; and

Agrees to work with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' Bureau of Justice Assistance toward achieving the goal of improving successful reintegration of adult offenders into the communities of the County; and

Authorizes Sheriff Bill Brown to sign and submit the County of Santa Barbara's application for funding.

On motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, the foregoing resolution was PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara, State of California held on this 7th day of April 2009, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

By _____
Joseph Centeno, Chair
Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

CLERK OF THE BOARD

By: _____
Michael Allen
Chief Deputy Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
COUNTY COUNSEL

By: _____
Deputy County Counsel

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

By: _____