



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Social Services
Department No.: 044
For Agenda Of: July 19, 2016
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: NA
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from:
Vote Required: 4/5

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Daniel Nielson, Social Services Director
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SUBJECT: Grant Agreement with the California Workforce Development Board/Employment Development Department to implement Supervised Population Workforce Training Program (AB 2060)

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve and authorize the Department of Social Services (DSS) Director, or designee, to execute the Grant Agreement (Attachment 1) to receive Recidivism Reduction Funds in the amount of \$341,374.00 from the California Workforce Development Board (State Board)/Employment Development Department (EDD) for the period of July 1, 2016 through December 31, 2017; and
- b) Establish appropriations of \$341,374.00 in the Social Services Department in Social Services in Fund 0055 for Salaries and Wages of \$124,018.00, Services and Supplies of \$193,356.00, Other Charges of \$24,000.00 funded by Intergovernmental Revenue-State by California AB2060 State Recidivism Reduction Funds (4/5 Vote Required).
- c) Determine that the approval and execution of the Grant Agreement 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 project is a creation of a governmental funding mechanism or other government fiscal activity, which does not

involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is on the agenda in order to approve and authorize the Department of Social Services (DSS) Director, or designee, to execute the Grant Agreement (Attachment 1) between the County of Santa Barbara and the California Workforce Development Board (State Board) / Employment Development Department (EDD) to implement a Supervised Population Workforce Training Program (AB 2060). The Grant Agreement will be administered by the Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board.

This item was brought to the Board on May 17, 2016, and the Board authorized DSS, on behalf of the Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board (WDB), and in partnership with the County Probation Department, to apply for the CWDB/EDD grant funding. The WDB received the notification (Attachment 2) awarding the County \$341,374.00 to establish a public/private collaboration to address the employment needs of unemployed and underemployed adults who are under Probation supervision in Santa Barbara County.

The grant funds will supplement and enhance the services that the supervised population already receives. It will also establish new collaborations with Community Solutions, Inc. and the Santa Barbara Contractors Association to improve employment outcomes. The program incorporates innovative best practices including Sector Strategies and Cognitive Behavioral Interventions for Offenders Seeking Employment designed to enhance and improve employment outcomes and support employment retention.

This program will serve as a first step to cement new community partnerships and improve employment outcomes for the supervised population.

Background:

The California Workforce Development Board (State Board), in partnership with the Employment Development Department (EDD), announced the availability to local Workforce Development Boards of up to \$4.3 million in Recidivism Reduction Funds to implement and support recidivism reduction workforce training and development programs targeting the supervised population. The “supervised population” as defined in Penal Code section 1234(c) includes all persons who are on probation, mandatory supervision, or post release community supervision and are supervised by, or are under the jurisdiction of, a county.

The goal of the State Board and EDD is to fund programs that expand existing, mature collaborative relationships between county probation departments and/or community corrections partnerships (probation, courts, mental health services, community colleges, etc.) and local Workforce Development Boards (local boards) in support of innovative strategies that accelerate educational attainment and reemployment for the supervised population by:

- Increasing labor market and skills outcomes through the development of strategies that fill gaps, accelerate processes, or customize services to ensure greater access to workforce services and employment opportunities.
- Implementing promising new modes and practices in workforce system delivery infrastructure and funding alignment that can be replicated across the State and tailored to regional needs.

- Leveraging State investment with commitments from industry, labor, public, and community partners.

In addition, the State Board intent is to fund programs that further advance the goals of California’s Strategic Workforce Development Plan 2013-2017 - “Shared Strategy for a Shared Prosperity” (Strategic Plan) and to prioritize regional coordination among key partners, sector-based employment strategies, skill attainment through “earn and learn” and other effective training models (including, but not limited to apprenticeship), and development of career pathways. The State Board solicited applications that will further advance the goals of its Strategic Plan and build workforce system infrastructure and capacity through:

- Collaboration among partners in development of service delivery strategies and alignment of resources to better connect the supervised population to employment.
- Innovation that creates new or adapts existing approaches or accelerates application of promising practices in workforce development and skill attainment.
- System change that utilizes the funding to incentivize adoption of proven strategies and innovations that are sustained beyond the grant period.

Performance Measure:

The primary objective of this program is to train and employ probationers.

Over the period of the 18-month grant, 150 probationers are expected to be enrolled in the program with the following expected outcomes:

Performance Measure	Goal (# of participants*)
Enrolled in occupational training	45
Enrolled in postsecondary education	40
Employed in Building and Design sector	60
Employed in other industry sector	65

*Participants may have multiple outcomes - i.e. one individual may be enrolled in training and then placed in employment after the training is complete.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding Sources	Current FY Cost:	Annualized On-going Cost:	Total One-Time Project Cost
General Fund			
State			\$ 341,374.00
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 341,374.00

Narrative:

The County of Santa Barbara Workforce Development Board will receive one-time grant funding of \$341,374.00 from the State Recidivism Reduction Funds as authorized by Assembly Bill (AB) 2060. There is no General Fund Contribution.

Legal Positions:

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FTEs:

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Special Instructions:

Please email scanned copy of minute order to:

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Attachments:

1. Attachment 1 – Grant Agreement - M6103152
2. Attachment 2 – Supervised Population Grant Notification Letter

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