



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: February 6, 2018
Placement: Administrative
Estimated Time: n/a
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: n/a
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Department Tanja Heitman, Chief Probation Officer
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SUBJECT: Federal Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Contract with the University of California, Santa Barbara, for research, and data collection and analysis services under the Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparity (R.E.D.) Grant.

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 Chair to execute the attached Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) to provide research, data collection, and analysis services for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017-2018, with a total contract amount not to exceed \$75,000 (Attachment A); and
- B. Determine that the approval of the Agreement is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3), finding that this activity is 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 B).

Summary Text:

The services covered under this Agreement constitute Year Four (4) of an ongoing initiative with UCSB that seeks to identify and reduce or eliminate racial and ethnic disparities in the practices and processes of agencies serving local youth. The initiative seeks ultimately to reduce youth entry into and reliance on the juvenile justice system by examining these cross-disciplinary systems. This Agreement covers services that will be performed in three (3) parts and which will focus on the Department of Social Services, the Department of Behavioral Wellness, and the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District.

Background:

The current contract concerns Year Four (4) of an ongoing project with UCSB to address racial and ethnic disparities in the County’s youth-serving agencies. In previous years of the R.E.D. project, UCSB has produced several comprehensive reports concerning racial and ethnic disparities in the Santa Barbara Unified School District, Lompoc Unified School District, Santa Maria Joint Union High School District (SMJUHSD), Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness, and Santa Barbara County Department of Social Services. In Year Four, UCSB will use those findings, combined with R.E.D. grant priorities, to develop action plans with the Departments of Behavioral Wellness and Social Services to address policy and procedure changes to aid in the reduction of previously identified racial and ethnic disparities. UCSB will also be re-engaging the largest high school district in the County (SMJUHSD) to address disparities and improve practices for all youth who come into contact with these agencies.

Performance Measure:

- A. Identify an action plan in consultation with the Department of Behavioral Wellness, which will include policy and procedure changes that aid in reducing racial and ethnic disparities.
- B. Identify an action plan in consultation with the Department of Social Services, which will include policy and procedure changes that aid in reducing racial and ethnic disparities.
- C. Using data provided by the SMJUHSD and Probation, make recommendations to reform policy and procedure that aids in reducing racial and ethnic disparities that lead to disproportional treatment of youth of color within the SMJUHSD.

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	\$ 56,250.00		\$ 75,000.00
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 56,250.00	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00

Narrative:

The Agreement is fully funded by R.E.D grant revenue previously awarded to the Probation Department through the California Board of State and Community Corrections by the Federal Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

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:

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Special Instructions:

Please send one (1) fully executed original of the contract and one (1) Minute Order to: Michael Cameron, Probation Department, 117 E. Carrillo Street, Santa Barbara, 93101.

Return one (1) certified copy of the fully executed contract to the Auditor-Controller's Office.

Attachments:

Attachment A: UCSB Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor (two [2] originals).

Attachment B: CEQA Notice of Exemption

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CC:

University of California, Santa Barbara

Department of Social Services

Department of Behavioral Wellness

Santa Maria Joint Union High School District