



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Department Name: Sheriff's Department  
Department No.: 032  
For Agenda Of: May 22, 2007  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme:  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: 4/5

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Department Sheriff William Brown  
Director(s)  
Contact Info: Chief Geoff Banks, 681-4246

**SUBJECT:** **Accept Grant Funding for Parole Re-entry Program**

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: No

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:**

As to form: No

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1) Accept a \$652,500 grant from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to coordinate providing programs and services to parolees returning to Santa Barbara County for the timeframe from February 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009, and
- 2) Approve Budget Revision 2006741 recognizing \$112,500 in grant revenues for FY2006-07 and appropriating expenditures for parolee services.

**Summary Text:** Using the grant funding from CDCR, the Sheriff's Department will contract with Good Samaritan Services, Inc in Santa Maria and various organizations in Santa Barbara to provide programs and services for qualified parolees returning to Santa Barbara County. Services include drug/alcohol counseling, counseling, life and job skills training and family reunification. The grant is a multi-year grant totaling \$652,500. This Board Letter includes a budget revision for FY2006-07. The department will use the annual budget process for revenue and expenditure authorization in future years.

**Background:**

In 2005, eight hundred seventy-nine (879) offenders were committed to State Prison from Santa Barbara County and 25 percent of those were on parole. Eight hundred eighty-two (882) were returned to Santa Barbara county with 62 percent (546) being first time parolees (*California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Report of Prisoners and Parolees, 2006*). These numbers will most likely increase

in 2006. All of these offenders pass directly through the Santa Barbara County Jail adding to the overcrowded conditions. Targeting this population of first time parolees with programs that will provide guidance, housing, counseling and job skills will assist them in successful reintegration to the community and avoid a return to prison. This not only has the potential of reducing recidivism which would relieve local and state inmate overcrowding, but it also has the ability to decrease crime in Santa Barbara County, thus enhancing the quality of life for all county residents.

**Performance Measure:**

The Sheriff’s Department will be interested in two main aspects of evaluation. The first is the affect on recidivism, and the second is the impact of change on the participant’s life. The first aspect of recidivism will be captured by the Sheriff’s Department Statistician Officer. In order to measure the second factor of impact of change on the participant’s life, the Sheriff’s Department will rely on the process that Good Samaritan Services, Inc and Transition House will implement in connection with the Santa Barbara County Re-Entry Project. The process includes an assessment of the parolee prior to entry and at the conclusion of the program. This assessment will evaluate the effectiveness of the services provided.

**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 Grant</u>
General Fund			
State	\$ 112,500.00	\$ 270,000.00	\$ 652,500.00
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ 112,500.00	\$ 270,000.00	\$ 652,500.00

Narrative:

The department will utilize the funds to hire outside agencies to provide the services to the parolees. No additional positions or costs will be incurred by the department.

**Special Instructions:**

Please send copy of minute order to Chief Deputy Geoff Banks, Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Department

**Attachments:**

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