



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Agenda Number:

Submitted on:
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Department Name: Sheriff-Coroner
Department No.: 032
Agenda Date: March 10, 2026
Placement: Administrative Agenda
Estimated Time:
Continued Item: No
If Yes, date from: N/A
Vote Required: Majority

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Department Director: Bill Brown, Sheriff-Coroner
Contact: Alice Perez, Programs Manager
SUBJECT: Agreement for Services of Good Samaritan Shelter for Reentry Planning Services at the Santa Barbara County Jails

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: County Health

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, ratify, and authorize the Chair to execute a Fifth Amendment to the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor, Good Samaritan Shelter Services, a local non-profit organization, to provide reentry planning services to individuals incarcerated at the Santa Barbara County jails, for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, in the total amount not to exceed \$111,800; and
- b) Determine that the activity is not a "Project" subject to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review per CEQA Guideline Section 125378(b)(5), since the activity is an organizational or administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

Summary Text:

This item is before the Board requesting approval of a Fifth Amendment to the Agreement with Good Samaritan Shelter (Good Sam) to provide a contracted lead reentry care manager to augment services offered by the Sheriff's Office for coordination of reentry services in FY 2025-26 for individuals being released from County jails.

Discussion:

This contracted lead reentry care manager will coordinate with the Sheriff's Office reentry care managers and County Health to provide clients in custody with opportunities to plan resources for a greater likelihood of successful reintegration into the community upon release from custody. The goal is to reduce recidivism through effective programming and pre-release services, thereby increasing public safety. This contract position is currently supervised by the Sheriff's Office's Programs Manager. However, with recent developments related to the California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal Justice-Involved Initiative (CalAIM JI) program, County Health will assume supervision and management of this agreement in subsequent fiscal years. During this fiscal year, the Sheriff's Office and County Health will work together to prepare to transition this agreement and the supervision of this contracted position as well as other discharge planning personnel and processes to create more robust discharge planning services for individuals leaving jail facilities.

Efforts to improve reentry services in the County jails are supported through the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP), the local planning and oversight body tasked with determining how to effectively allocate AB 109 Public Safety Realignment Act funds through the County. Currently, Realignment funds support evidence-based reentry planning services as part of a continuum of care in reentry and in partnership with County Health, the Public Defender's Office, Probation, Behavioral Wellness, and the Sheriff's Office.

Based at the Santa Barbara Main Jail, the contracted lead reentry care manager position assists with coordinating the efforts of a team of five reentry care managers (both contract and County employees) working inside both jail facilities. The contracted lead reentry care manager position also collaborates with the County's multi-disciplinary team on developing reentry policies, processes, and protocols to align with California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal Justice Involved Initiative CalAIM JI reentry requirements, as well as the *Murray* Case Stipulated Judgment and Remedial Plan. County Health, the Sheriff's Office, and other entities involved in discharge planning are regularly collaborating to clarify the roles and responsibilities of the discharge planning team and each of its members. Over the next few months, County Health and the Sheriff's Office will return to your Board to provide information regarding the steps each agency has taken or plans to take to transition reentry services to County Health to better align with CalAIM.

Background:

The Sheriff's Office has contracted with Good Sam for one reentry care manager to assist with providing discharge planning services to incarcerated persons leaving jail and returning to the community from FY 2014-15. In consultation with Probation, County Health, and the other County departments involved with discharge planning, the Sheriff's Office determined that elevating the role of this discharge planner to lead reentry care manager would improve operations and supervision and increase efficiency within reentry services. Therefore, the Sheriff's Office worked with Good Sam to upgrade this existing discharge planner to a lead discharge planner to provide enhanced supervision of reentry services.

Performance Measure:

The applicable goals in the 2025 Realignment Plan addressed by the Sheriff's Office Agreement with Good Sam include enhancing public safety by reducing recidivism and providing for the equitable and successful reentry of justice-involved individuals back into the community.

Data tracking reentry services addressing these specific Realignment Plan goals will be provided in quarterly reports presented to the CCP Workgroup. Reports provide quarterly summaries of total jail releases with completed reentry plans aligned to both CalAIM and *Murray* Case required reentry criteria.

Contract Renewals:

The most recent Agreement and subsequent amendments have been funded by the CCP under Fiscal Year 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 and 2024-25 Realignment Plans. As noted above, the Sheriff's Office has been contracting with Good Sam since FY 2014-15, although the most recent Agreement began in FY 2018-19. Below is a summary of subsequent amendments to the original Agreement.

Original Agreement (FY 2018-19)

- Funded one Discharge Planner within the jail in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.

First Amendment (FY 2019-20)

- Extended the term of the original Agreement for one year with no change to the annual not-to-exceed amount of \$95,000.

Second Amendment (FY 2020-21)

- Extended the term of the original Agreement for one year but did not include additional budgeted amounts as it was inadvertently left out of the Agreement.

Third Amendment (FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23)

- Extended the term of the original Agreement for two years with no change to the annual not to exceed amount of \$95,000. This Agreement also authorized an expenditure in FY 2020-21 of an additional \$10,000 as the Second Amendment did not include payment to the Contractor for FY 2020-21 exceeding the original \$95,000 (which was exhausted over the two-year period of FY 2019-20 through FY 2020-21).

Fourth Amendment (FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25)

- Extended the term of the original Agreement for two years with no change to the annual not to exceed amount of \$95,000.

Fifth Amendment (FY 2025-26)

- To elevate former Discharge Planner position to Lead Reentry Care Manager to address the need to provide coordination and guidance to increased reentry staff at SB County jail. The amendment extends the agreement by a year, and the not-to-exceed amount was increased to \$111,800.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:

Budgeted: Yes

Fiscal Analysis:

Funding for this Agreement is provided by the CCP in the FY 2025-26 Realignment Plan for the period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$111,800 and is included within the Sheriff's Office FY 2025-26 Adopted Budget. Execution of this Agreement will not increase the General Fund Contribution to the Sheriff's Office.

Funding Source	FY 2025-26	Total
General Fund		
State	\$111,800.00	\$111,800.00
Federal		
Fees		
Total	\$111,800.00	\$111,800.00

Staffing Impacts:

There are no County staffing impacts associated with this Agreement.

Special Instructions:

Clerk of the Board: Please send two (2) copies of the Minute Order to:
 Selim Celmeta, Commander, Custody Support Division; and
 Hope Vasquez, Chief Financial Officer, Santa Barbara County Sheriff’s Office

Attachments:

Attachment A – 5th Amendment of Agreement for Services with Good Samaritan Shelter for Reentry Planning Services

Attachment B – 4th Amendment of Agreement for Services with Good Samaritan Shelter for Reentry Planning Services

Attachment C – 3rd Amendment of Agreement for Services with Good Samaritan Shelter for Reentry Planning Services

Attachment D – 2nd Amendment of Agreement for Services with Good Samaritan Shelter for Reentry Planning Services

Attachment E – 1st Amendment of Agreement for Services with Good Samaritan Shelter for Reentry Planning Services

Attachment F – Original Agreement for Services with Good Samaritan Shelter for Reentry Planning Services

Attachment G – Current FY Certificates of Liability Insurance, Good Samaritan Shelter

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