



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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**Department Name:** Sheriff  
**Department No.:** 032  
**For Agenda Of:** May 7, 2019  
**Placement:** Administrative  
**Estimated Tme:**  
**Continued Item:** No  
**If Yes, date from:**  
**Vote Required:** Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Sheriff's Office Bill Brown (Ext. 4290)  
Contact Info: Deirdre Smith (Ex. 4199)  
**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-2019 Good Samaritan Shelter Services Contract for Discharge Planning Services at the Santa Barbara County Jail

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: Yes

**Other Concurrence:**

Risk Management: Yes

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Approve, authorize, and ratify the Chair to execute the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Good Samaritan Shelter Services (a local vendor). The Sheriff's Discharge Planning Team's services will be supplemented by the efforts of a full-time Pre-Release Specialist assigned to assist inmates in their successful transition back into the community. Job duties will include coordination with housing providers, connection with treatment, vocational and employment services, and transportation from the jail facility.
  
- b) Find that the proposed actions do not constitute a "Project" within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to 14 CCR 15378(b)(5), in that they are government administrative activities that will not result in direct or indirect changes to the environment.

**Summary Text:** The attached agreement between Good Samaritan Shelter Services and the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office details the role and responsibilities of the Pre-Release Specialist.

**Background:**

As part of the Transition from Jail to Community (TJC) technical assistance project of the National Institute of Corrections, the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office utilizes evidence-based services targeted to address the criminogenic needs of the inmates. These services are provided in an effort to assist those incarcerated within our facilities a chance at successful reintegration into our communities

upon release from Jail. The goal is to reduce recidivism through effective programming and reentry services, thereby increasing public safety.

This recidivism reduction effort is further supported through the efforts of the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP), the executive body of criminal justice professionals tasked with determining how to allocate AB109 Criminal Justice Realignment funds throughout the county. Currently Realignment funds support evidence-based discharge planning services as part of a continuum of care at reentry and in partnership with the Public Defender's Office, Probation and Behavioral Wellness. Adding the extra assistance provided by Good Samaritan will increase the Discharge Planning team's ability to meet the needs of diverse and at risk inmates releasing from the County Jail.

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

Narrative:

Funding for this contract is provided by the Community Corrections Partnership in the FY 2018-2019 Realignment Plan

**Special Instructions:**

Clerk of the Board: Please send an official Minute Order to the Sheriff's Office, Attention Cathy Dorsey.

**Attachments:**

First Amendment for Services of Agreement with Independent Contractor

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**cc:**