



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Department Name: Probation Department
Department No.: 022
For Agenda Of: June 15, 2021
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, 805-882-3652
Director(s)
Contact Info: Holly Benton, Deputy Chief Probation Officer, 805-803-8588

SUBJECT: Agreements for Juvenile Probation Program Services Fiscal Years (FY) 2021-22
and 2021-23

County Counsel Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Other Concurrence: Risk Management

As to form: Yes

Auditor-Controller Concurrence

As to form: Yes

Recommended Actions:

That the Board of Supervisors:

- A. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Family Services Agency (FSA) (a local vendor) to provide the Strengthening Families program to youth under Probation supervision and their families, in the Santa Maria and Lompoc geographic areas, with a total contract amount not to exceed \$142,310 from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023 (“Agreement”);
- B. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with The Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (CADA) (a local vendor) to provide Multidimensional Family Therapy (MDFT) to youth, and Seeking Safety to female youth, under probation supervision in the Santa Barbara region with a total contract amount not to exceed \$51,487 from July 20, 2021 to June 30, 2022 (“Agreement”);

- C. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Community Action Commission (CAC) (a local vendor dba CommUnify) to provide Seeking Safety and the El Joven Noble curriculum to male youth under probation supervision in the Santa Barbara, Lompoc and Santa Maria regions, and the Los Prietos Boys Camp (LPBC) and Santa Maria Juvenile Hall (SMJH), and mentoring and case management services for youth under probation supervision in the Santa Barbara, Lompoc and Santa Maria regions, with a total contract amount not to exceed \$444,547 from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023 (“Agreement”);
- D. Approve and authorize the Chair to execute the Agreement for Services of Independent Contractor with Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley (FBSMV) (a local vendor) to provide specified targeted interventions and case management services for youth under probation supervision in the Santa Maria region, and Cannabis Education classes to youth with a qualifying citation in the Santa Barbara, Lompoc, and Santa Maria regions, with a total contract amount not to exceed \$179,119 from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 (Agreement”);
- E. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer or designee to approve subsequent line-item budget changes to Attachment B-1 of each Agreement in an amount not to exceed 10% of the stated line-item budgeted amounts for each service, as long as the total contract amount of each Agreement is not increased, and as long as the total budgeted amounts by each funding source are not exceeded;
- F. Determine that the above actions are government fiscal activities of funding mechanisms which do not involve any commitment to any specific project which may result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment, and are therefore not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15378(b)(4) of the CEQA guidelines.

Summary Text:

Through funding provided by the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) and the Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG), the attached Agreements with community-based organizations provide a variety of evidence-based services to medium and high risk youth under probation supervision and their families. The range of interventions includes county-wide family focused treatment services; gender-responsive cognitive behavioral treatment; trauma informed, culturally competent comprehensive character development programming; short-term mentoring services; education and community work service in response to low level marijuana offenses, and community-based responses to lower level offending and probation violations by supervised youth in lieu of formal proceedings and custody.

Background:

The JJCPA was created by the Crime Prevention Act of 2000 to provide a stable funding source for local juvenile justice programs aimed at curbing crime and delinquency. Counties may use the State funds to support prevention, intervention, suppression, or custody programs based on local needs, and requires that counties provide programs that have been demonstrated to be effective in reducing delinquency. The Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) reviews local programs and oversees the development of a comprehensive multiagency juvenile justice plan.

The YOBG was enacted in 2007 by Senate Bill (SB) 81 (Chapter 175, Statutes of 2007) and reassigned from State to local control the non-violent, non-serious, non-sexual offenders within California’s juvenile justice system. In 2016, further amendments were made by Assembly Bill (AB) 1998 (Chapter 880). The YOBG program realigned certain youth in California’s juvenile justice population from State to county control and prohibited counties from sending certain lower level offenders to the Division of

Juvenile Justice (DJJ). Counties may use YOBG funds to support a variety of local programs and strategies that seek to prevent involvement and escalation in the juvenile justice system and limit the use of detention for youth.

YOBG supports the concept that public safety is enhanced by keeping juvenile offenders close to their families and communities. In recognition of the increased county responsibility for supervising and rehabilitating these youthful offenders, the State provides annual funding through the YOBG program. The California Department of Finance calculates each county's allocation amount annually using its own demographic information for the juvenile population and California Department of Justice data for juvenile felony dispositions. As provided by statute, allocation from the YOBG fund may be used to enhance the capacity of county probation and to deliver appropriate rehabilitative and supervision services to youthful offenders.

Execution of the FSA Agreement will provide the Strengthening Families program, an evidence-based family skills training program designed to increase resilience and reduce risk factors for behavioral, emotional, academic, and social problems in youth age 12 to 16. This service shall be provided to medium and high risk youth under Probation supervision and their families in the Santa Maria and Lompoc geographic areas for a two year period.

Execution of the CADA Agreement will provide MDFT, an evidence-based family-based treatment system for adolescent substance use, delinquency, and related behavioral and emotional problems to medium and high risk youth age 12-21 under probation supervision, and their parents/guardians, and will provide Seeking Safety, a cognitive behavioral treatment program, to high and medium risk female youth under probation supervision in the Santa Barbara region.

Execution of the CAC (dba CommUnify) Agreement will provide Seeking Safety, a cognitive behavioral treatment program, to high and medium risk male youth, under probation supervision in the Santa Barbara, Lompoc and Santa Maria regions, and in the Santa Maria Juvenile Hall and Los Prietos Boys Camp; will provide El Joven Noble groups to high and medium risk male youth age 14-18, under probation supervision in the Santa Barbara, Lompoc and Santa Maria regions, and in the LPBC and SMJH; and will provide mentoring and case management services for high and medium risk male and female youth age 12-21 under probation supervision in the Santa Barbara, Lompoc and Santa Maria regions, including when youth are in the LPBC and SMJH, for a two year period.

Execution of the FBSMV Agreement will provide specified targeted interventions and case management services, to high and medium risk youth, under probation supervision in the Santa Maria region. Services include: Foundations for Success; the Community Resiliency Model; Trust Based Relational Interventions; and Check, Connect and Respect school-based mentoring and support program, and Cannabis Education classes and community work service for youth cited for qualifying marijuana offenses in the Santa Barbara, Lompoc, and Santa Maria regions.

Performance Measure:

All Agreements contain both standardized and program-specific performance measures. These measures will enable Probation to better assess individual program effectiveness.

Fiscal 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		\$ 522,106.00	
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ 522,106.00	\$ -

Narrative:

The attached four (4) Agreements for Juvenile Probation program services are fully funded by State funding sources, which includes JJCPA revenue in an amount of \$122,642 and YOBG revenue in an amount of \$399,464 for a combined total funding of \$522,106. Funds for these Agreements have been accounted for in the FY2021-22 proposed budget and future year’s portion of the Agreements will be included through the proposed budget. Execution of the four (4) Agreements will not increase the General Fund Contribution to the Probation Department.

Key Contract Risks:

Risk assessments have been completed and key contract risks were not identified.

Staffing Impacts:

Legal Positions:
No Effect

FTEs:
No Effect

Special Instructions: Please return one (1) fully signed original of each of the four (4) Agreements to:

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 Probation Department
 117 E. Carrillo St., Santa Barbara CA 93101

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Family Service Agency, FY 2021-2023 Agreement
- Attachment B: The Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, FY 2021-2022 Agreement
- Attachment C: Community Action Commission, FY 2021-2023 Agreement
- Attachment D: Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley, FY 2021-2022 Agreement

Authored by:

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