



**Contra
Costa
County**

To: Board of Supervisors
From: David Twa, County Administrator
Date: July 12, 2016

Subject: Community Recidivism Reduction Grant awards and Contract Authorization

RECOMMENDATION(S):

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Administrator, or designee, to execute, on behalf of the County, a contract with Bay Area Legal Aid in an amount not to exceed \$181,250, to provide legal services for homelessness prevention, support of family connections, access to mental healthcare and alcohol and drug treatment, and public benefits programs referred to the West County Reentry Success Center for the period from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017, as recommended by the Public Protection Committee.

ACKNOWLEDGE the execution of contracts with Contra Costa Crisis Center, Bay Area Community Resources, and the RYSE Center in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$93,750 to provide community recidivism and crime reduction services for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, as recommended by the Public Protection Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT:

FY 2016/17:

Bay Area Legal Aid: \$181,250 to provide attorney services that prevent homelessness, support family connections, ensure access to mental healthcare and alcohol and drug treatment, and public benefits programs to clients referred by the West County Reentry

☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☐ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **07/12/2016** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: Candace Andersen, District II
Supervisor
Mary N. Piepho, District III
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

ABSENT: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: July 12, 2016

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: Chris Heck, Deputy

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cc:

Success Center (\$150,000 AB 109 Public Safety Realignment, \$31,250 CRRG)

FISCAL IMPACT: (CONT'D)

Bay Area Community Resources: \$31,250 to engage juveniles in East Contra Costa County in a comprehensive program utilizing employment training and leadership development (100% State Recidivism Reduction Grant)

RYSE Center: \$31,250 to continue pre-release transition planning, technical skills training, and the creation of a social media application focused on youth reentry for justice-involved youth (100% State Recidivism Reduction Grant)

FY 2015/16:

Contra Costa Crisis Center: \$31,250 to develop and implement a Reentry Resource Web-based Icon Guide for reentry services (100% State Recidivism Reduction Grant)

BACKGROUND:

In August 2014, the CAO's office was notified by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) that the Budget Act of 2014 had allocated \$8 million to the BSCC for the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant (CRRG), as described in Penal Code section 1233.10. Counties were eligible to receive funds if the Board of Supervisors, in collaboration with the CCP, agreed to develop a competitive grant program intended to fund community recidivism and crime reduction services. On September 16, 2014, the Board of Supervisors passed item C.51, confirming to the BSCC the County's interest in receiving the funding, of which \$250,000 was allocated to Contra Costa County.

Following the September 2014 action, the Public Protection Committee discussed how the \$250,000 grant should be allocated for purposes of issuing a Request for Proposals (RFP) to community based organizations. The Committee determined that \$150,000 would be allocated to adult programs and \$100,000 would be allocated to juvenile programs. In April 2015, the County Administrator's Office conducted an RFP and review panel process to make grant award recommendations for fiscal year 2015-16 funding.

At the August 10, 2015 meeting, staff notified the Public Protection Committee of a new allocation from the State of \$125,000 in CRRG funds to Contra Costa County and requested direction from the Committee on how to allocate the new funding. At the September 14, 2016 meeting, staff returned to the Committee with additional materials to continue the discussion about how to allocate the funding. The Committee approved the awarding of grants to Bay Area Legal Aid and Contra Costa Crisis Center for the adult community, and Bay Area Community Resources and RYSE Center for the juvenile community, each in the amount of \$31,250 and directed staff to forward the funding recommendations to the Board of Supervisors for consideration.

Today's action approves and authorizes the County Administrator to execute a contract with

Bay Area Legal Aid in an amount not to exceed \$181,250 for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. The contract amount is funded by a combination of the CRRG funds (\$31,250) and State AB 109 Public Safety Realignment (\$150,000). The services to be provided include legal services for homelessness prevention, support of family connections, access to mental healthcare and alcohol and drug treatment, and public benefits programs referred to the West County Reentry Success Center, as recommended by the Public Protection Committee. (17% State Public Safety Realignment; 83% State Recidivism Reduction Grant)

Today's action also acknowledges the execution of contracts with Contra Costa Crisis Center, Bay Area Community Resources, and the RYSE Center in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$93,750 to provide community recidivism and crime reduction services for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017, as recommended by the Public Protection Committee. (100% State Recidivism Reduction Grant). The grant to the Contra Costa Crisis Center in the amount of \$31,250 was added to the FY 15-16 AB 109 contract for the development of a Reentry Resource Guide to provide an icon-based internet guide and a mobile app, for a total contract amount of \$46,250.

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The contract would not be executed and the reentry population would not receive the services as recommended by the Public Protection Committee.