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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Mary Butler - Chief Probation Officer
Probation
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SUBJECT: Community Recidivism Reduction Grant Agreements

RECOMMENDATION

Chief Probation Officer requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the following agreements for the term December 15, 2015 through June 30, 2017 totaling \$15,000 relating to the County's Community Recidivism Reduction Grant Funding:

1. Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 8328 with Puertas Abiertas to receive an additional \$5,000 for services through the LEGACY Youth program; and
2. Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 8314 with On the Move to receive an additional \$10,000 to support the VOICES Transition project and provide targeted support to Independent Living Program eligible youth transitioning from the probation system and/or currently in Juvenile Hall or the Napa County Jail.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Budget Act of 2015 will distribute \$25,000 to Napa County from the Community Recidivism Reduction grant funding to allocate to nongovernmental agencies providing recidivism and crime reduction services. On August 11, 2015 the Board of Supervisors approved to receive the additional \$25,000 in funding, and directed the County's Community Corrections Partnership to allocate the funds using the procedures that were in place with the distribution of \$50,000 received under the provisions of the Budget Act of 2014.

Today, staff is recommending the Board of Supervisors authorize the Chair to enter into agreements for this funding with Puertas Abiertas and On the Move to implement programming aimed at reducing recidivism.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact?	Yes
Is it currently budgeted?	Yes
Where is it budgeted?	2011 Public Safety Realignment
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary?	Discretionary
Discretionary Justification:	The grant funding will be used to implement programming aimed at reducing recidivism which should benefit the community through a lower number of arrests and bookings into the jail and an improved quality of life.
Is the general fund affected?	No
Future fiscal impact:	Funding may be used through June 30, 2017 and will be budgeted accordingly.
Consequences if not approved:	The County is not required to allocate the Community Recidivism Reduction grants, but if it does not, the money will revert to the Board of State and Community Corrections and the community will have lost the opportunity for beneficial programming.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The proposed action is not a project as defined by 14 California Code of Regulations 15378 (State CEQA Guidelines) and therefore CEQA is not applicable.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Budget Act of 2014 allocated \$8 million to the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) for the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant program (Program). Counties are eligible to receive funds if the Board of Supervisors, in collaboration with the county's Community Corrections Partnership, agrees to develop a competitive grant program intended to fund community recidivism and crime reduction services.

On September 9, 2014, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Chair to sign a letter of interest to the BSCC notifying them of the County's intent to participate and directed the County's Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) to develop a competitive grant program that met the guidelines established by the BSCC. The County of Napa has received \$50,000 to distribute to nongovernmental entities with a maximum award of \$10,000 to each entity per fiscal year.

The CCP issued two competitive Request for Proposals between December 2014 and March 2015 to solicit responses from entities that would provide evidence-based programs and training to meet the goals of the County's 2011 Public Safety Realignment Plan and the authorizing legislation. On May 19, 2015, the Board of Supervisors approved agreements totaling \$40,000 in funding with four agencies: The Boys & Girls Clubs of Napa Valley, On the Move, Success Through Education Program (STEP), and B.I. Incorporated. On June 2, 2015, the Board of Supervisors approved the remaining balance of the grant with an agreement with Puertas Abiertas totaling \$10,000.

The Budget Act of 2015 allocated an additional \$4million to the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC)

for the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant program. On August 8, 2015, the Board of Supervisors authorized the Chair to sign a letter of interest to the BSCC notifying them of the County's intent to participate and directed the County's Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) to award the grants under the same procedures utilized for the Program funded under the Budget Act of 2014. The CCP issued a Request for Proposal on September 8, 2015 to solicit responses from entities that would provide evidence-based programs and training to meet the goals of the County's 2011 Public Safety Realignment Plan and the authorizing legislation.

Today's action will authorize the Chair to sign two (2) agreements totaling \$15,000 for the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant funding to the following agencies:

1. Puertas Abiertas (\$5,000) - will use the grant funding to support their LEGACY Youth Program. The LEGACY program engages gang-involved or gang-associated high school students and provides a positive, healthy, safe and challenging educational space for these at-risk youth. The funding will be used specifically to for supplementing the programs three annual field trips: to various colleges and universities throughout California, the Museum of Tolerance, and Homeboy Industries in Los Angeles.
2. On the Move (\$10,000) - will use the grant to implement the VOICES Transition project to provide targeted support to Independent Living Program eligible youth transitioning from the probation system and/or currently in Juvenile Hall or the Napa County Jail. The funding will help expand life planning and case management, service connections, and leadership opportunities to youth currently residing in Juvenile Hall and the Napa County Jail. Transitional age youth are between the ages of 16 - 24.

A third agreement with B.I. Incorporated for the remaining \$10,000 of the allocated Community Recidivism Reduction Grant program will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for consideration at a future meeting.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi