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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Nikki Lundeen for Allison Haley - District Attorney

District Attorney

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SUBJECT: Approval of Agreements for Gang Violence Suppression Multi-Component Program

RECOMMENDATION

District Attorney requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the following agreements for the term July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 with three automatic one-year renewals related to performance of an ongoing Gang Violence Suppression (GVS) Multi-Component Program funded annually through 2011 Public Safety Realignment, as follows:

- 1. City of Napa, for GVS Law Enforcement Component, annual maximum amount of \$14,140;
- 2. City of St. Helena, for GVS Law Enforcement Component, annual maximum amount of \$8,484;
- 3. City of Calistoga, for GVS Law Enforcement Component, annual maximum amount of \$8,484;
- 4. On The Move, Inc., for GVS Prevention Component, annual maximum amount of \$50,904; and
- 5. Napa County Office of Education, for GVS Education Component, annual maximum amount of \$50,904.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Napa County had been awarded the Gang Violence Suppression grant administered by the California Emergency Management Agency since Fiscal Year 2001-2002, until it became an annual appropriation under the 2011 Public Safety Realignment Act. The District Attorney's Office has acted as the lead agency for the GVS Program, and each of the participating component agencies had entered into an ongoing grant operational agreement for the duration of the program. For accounting and management purposes, it was recently determined that the grant operational agreements should be replaced with County Professional Services Agreements with each of the participating agencies to be effective for the current fiscal year. The agreements are fully funded by Public Safety Realignment funds appropriated in the District Attorney's annual operating budget, with no impact to the County General Fund.

FISCAL IMPACT

Is there a Fiscal Impact? Yes
Is it currently budgeted? Yes

Where is it budgeted? District Attorney
Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: This item is discretionary in that there is no mandate to enter into agreements

for continued operation of the County's Gang Violence Suppression Multi-Component Program. However, the County receives approximately \$282,802 in annual funding dedicated to gang violence suppression activities in the County for the partnering components (prosecution, law enforcement, education, and prevention). The recommended County Professional Services

Agreements will replace a long-standing grant operational agreement between the partnering components in order to allow the District Attorney to continue to reimburse the partners for their costs associated with participation in the Gang Violence Suppression Program. The revenue and expenditure appropriations are included in the District Attorney's adopted budget for Fiscal

Year 2017-2018, with no impact to the County General Fund.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: Appropriations are included in the District Attorney's recommended budget for

Fiscal Year 2018-2019, and appropriations for future fiscal years will be

budgeted accordingly.

Consequences if not approved: If the action is not approved the County will be unable to reimburse its Gang

Violence Suppression partners for participation in this long-standing program and funds distributed to the County by the State under 2011 Public Safety Realignment will not be distributed to the multi-component partners for their

intended purpose.

Additional Information: The District Attorney is the lead agency for administration of the Gang Violence

Suppression (GVS) Program and the associated Special Revenue Fund account, where funds are reserved until drawn down for expenses actually incurred for each fiscal year, based on the amounts appropriated for each

component.

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 purpose of the Gang Violence Suppression Multi-Component Program is to reduce the level of gang violence in the community and divert potentially dangerous gang members and gang activity into more positive and constructive social behavior. A Grant Operational Agreement has been in place for the duration of the GVS Program (since Fiscal Year 2001-2002), outlining the responsibilities of each of the eight agencies to enact this program in

Napa County. The District Attorney's Office is the lead agency and receives the funds and distributes funds to the other participating agencies. The GVS Program addresses the following components:

- 1. **Prevention (community-based organization, On the Move):** On the Move focuses programming on the prevention and intervention of potentially violent gang activity through communication and mediation with gang members and at risk youth in the community and by offering counseling and providing alternative activities.
- 2. **Education (Napa County Office of Education):** NCOE focuses on the implementation of intervention services within the schools by utilizing gang experts to train students, school staff, and community members on the indicators of gang activity and appropriate responses. The main target of the in-school programs are grades 6 through 8.
- 3. Law Enforcement: This component focuses on improving specialized gang units within law enforcement agencies to assist with the identification, investigation, and apprehension of gang violence perpetrators. In addition, Calistoga Police Department and St. Helena Police Department are able to offer summer activity programs for "at risk" youth. The Napa Sheriff's Office and Napa Police Department attend specialized training. The grant provides overtime funding for assisting in probation searches and gang surveillance at community events throughout Napa County.
- 4. **Prosecution:** The District Attorney's Office focuses on the vertical prosecution of violent gang offenders by specialized prosecutors while protecting cooperating witnesses from intimidation or retribution by gang members or associates. The District Attorney's Office dedicates a Deputy District Attorney, an Investigator, administrative support and oversight to this program.
- 5. **Probation:** The Probation component focuses on the intensive supervision of identified gang members on Probation in order to ensure the enforcement of their conditions of probation. The GVS Program provides funding toward Probation Officers assigned to concentrate their efforts and resources on individuals identified as gang members.

Consistent with the County's Purchasing Policy, the recommended action will formalize agreements with five (5) non-County department GVS Program partners, under the applicable signing authority of your Board. The County receives approximately \$282,802 annually in 2011 Realignment funds for operation of the GVS multi-component Program, which shall continue to be distributed to the GVS Program participating agencies under the recommended agreements, based on services and activities performed and expenses actually incurred for the program for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. The agreements include a provision for renewal, based on ongoing Realignment funding being made available for future fiscal years, which shall continue to be appropriated in the District Attorney's annual budget, with no impact to the County General Fund.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Leigh Sharp