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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Lynn Perez for Mary Butler - Chief Probation Officer

Probation

REPORT BY: Lynn Perez, Staff Services Manager, 253-4126

SUBJECT: Resolution for the Juvenile Justice Plan pursuant to the Crime Prevention Act of 2000 (AB 1913)

RECOMMENDATION

Chief Probation Officer requests adoption of a resolution approving the fourth year of the comprehensive multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan and authorize submitting the plan to the State Board of Corrections for Fiscal Year 2005-2006 in the amount of \$373,117 to provide services to minors on probation.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

AB 1913 (2000) created the Crime Prevention Act of 2000 now retitled the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act. Napa County's program plan as approved by the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, the Board of Supervisors, and the State Board of Corrections established the Youth & Family Resource Network (YFRN) of Napa County. This program targeted middle school age youth who are not wards of the court on formal probation, but who are at-risk based on their behavior at home, at school, and in the community. However, due to a decrease in funding for FY 04-05 and the opening of the new Juvenile Justice Center, the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council recommended discontinuing the YFRN program and developed a new program which will now focus service delivery on wards, particularly those who will be placed in the new facility.

FISCAL IMPACT

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

Where is it budgeted? Probation

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: The State Board of Corrections has awarded the grant in the amount of

\$363,117 for Fiscal Year 2005-06. The full amount of the grant plus an

estimate of \$10,000 in interest is budgeted in the Probation Department FY 05-06 recommended budget. This allocation will fund two Probation Officer positions as well as two Social Worker positions in the Health and Human Services budget.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: Future year is dependent upon availability of grant funds.

Consequences if not approved: The grant funds would have to be returned to the State.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no Environmental Impact for this item.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

This change in focus is consistent with the departments long term goal reducing the number of youth sent to out of county placements and increasing the amount of intensive services available locally. The program will serve youth in the community who have been made wards of the court. The primary target shall be youth who have been detained in juvenile hall and to minors who are committed to the departments Court Commitment program. The name of the program has been changed to STAR (Success Through Acting Responsibly).

The new program was designed to meet the service needs of the more intensive youth that the department will be serving in the new hall. In addition to providing the youth with services, the program also has a component for parents called the Parent Project. Parent Project is a 10 week parenting program that is designed to provide at-risk youth with more effective parenting skills. These funds will primarily be used to fund two Probation Officer positions and two Social Worker positions who will provide intensive services to minors and their families.

As required, the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council has reviewed the program plan for the 2005-06 year and recommends to the Board of Supervisors that the Board adopt the necessary resolution to submit the plan to the Board of Corrections. There is no change in state funding from the current year.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A. Juvenile Justice Plan 05-06

B. Resolution

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi