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## NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Mary Butler - Chief Probation Officer  
Probation

**REPORT BY:** Mary Butler, CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER - 259-8115

**SUBJECT:** Approval and Authorization for the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant Program

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

Chief Probation Officer requests the following actions regarding the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant Program (Program):

1. Authorization for the Chair to sign a letter of interest to the California Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) notifying them of the County of Napa's interest in continuing participation in the Program; and
2. Direction to the Community Corrections Partnership to award grants under the same procedures utilized for the Program funded through the Budget Act of 2014.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Under provisions of the Budget Act of 2014, Napa County received \$50,000 in Community Recidivism Reduction grant funding to allocate to nongovernmental agencies providing community recidivism and crime reduction services. Napa County has distributed those grants.

The Budget Act of 2015 will distribute to Napa County \$25,000 in Community Recidivism Reduction grant funding to allocate in a similar manner. Today's action will authorize the Chair to sign a letter notifying the BSCC of our intent to continue participating in the program and direct the County's Community Corrections Partnership to allocate the funds using the procedures that are already in place.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Is there a Fiscal Impact?                      No

### **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. Counties were 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. The County of Napa received \$50,000 to distribute to nongovernmental entities with a maximum award of \$10,000 to each entity. Napa County has awarded this funding.

The Budget Act of 2015 allocated \$4 million to the BSCC to distribute. Counties will receive half of their 2014 allocation. Napa County will receive \$25,000. All requirements of the program remain the same including the provision of collecting and submitting data to the BSCC on the grants awarded including number of individuals served and the type of services provided.

Today's action will satisfy the requirement to notify the BSCC of the County's intent to continue participation and direct the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) to utilize the same competitive grant process to solicit responses from entities that can provide evidence based programs and trainings that meet the goals of the County's 2011 Public Safety Realignment Plan and within the scope allowed by the legislation. These would include efforts that assist in recidivism reduction and crime prevention services, such as those with a focus on homelessness prevention, mental health services, and substance abuse treatment for Adult Probationers as well as efforts targeted at gang and youth violence prevention.

It is estimated that the new funding could be disbursed to qualifying programs by December 2015.

### **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

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CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi