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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS **Board Agenda Letter**

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mary Butler - Chief Probation Officer

Probation

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

SUBJECT: Funding Agreements with Napa County Office of Education

RECOMMENDATION

Chief Probation Officer requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the following agreements with the Napa County Office of Education:

- Renewal of Agreement No. 4434 for a maximum reimbursement of \$70,894 for the term July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 to fund a Deputy Probation Officer assigned to Liberty High School to provide supervision of wards; and
- Agreement for a maximum reimbursement of \$20,500 for the term July 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005 to fund a Deputy Probation Officer assigned to the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Program which will expand campus safety.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Today's action requests approval of two contracts between Napa County and the Napa County Office of Education. The first agreement provides funding for the placement of a Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) at Liberty High School and the second agreement provides funding for a DPO under the Safe Schools/Healthy Students initiative. The second agreement represents three months of a 12 month agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT

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

Where is it budgeted? Costs for services under both of these agreements are included in the

Probation Departments budget. The agreement for the SS/HS grant

represents 3 months of a 12 month agreement. We will be bringing forward in

September an agreement commencing October 1, 2005 through September

30, 2006 for the next term of the grant.

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Discretionary

Discretionary Justification: These are revenue agreements with NCOE to provide a Deputy Probation

Officer at Liberty High School and a DPO at the middle and high schools. Without this funding, the DPO positions would be a general fund expense.

Is the general fund affected? No

Future fiscal impact: These agreements are renewed on an annual basis.

Consequences if not approved: Loss of revenue for two DPO positions.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no Environmental Impact for this item.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

The Deputy Probation Officer assigned to Liberty High School supervises wards of the Juvenile Court attending the school and provides an incentive for disciplined behavior among other students at risk of becoming wards of the court. The Probation Officer will also investigate absences when requested by teachers, and if deemed necessary, will visit homes of wards and take appropriate action to ensure regular attendance at school. The DPO continues to monitor minors who attend Liberty continuously throughout the year with even when school is not in session.

Last year, NCOE received a grant through the Safe Schools/Healthy Students initiative. The grants purpose is to create safe and drug free schools and to promote pro-social skill and health childhood development in youth. This grant funds one Deputy Probation Officer assigned to expand campus safety at local middle and high schools. In order to coincide with the federal fiscal year, this agreement is for a three month period July 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005. We will be bringing forward in September an agreement commencing October 1, 2005 through September 30, 2006 for the next term of the grant.

These contracts are being submitted late due to the timeliness of reviewing the contract with the Napa County Office of Education (NCOE). NCOE had to ensure that funds were provided for in their budget. We did not have final word from the school district until the beginning of July when the state budget was complete. The original contract was combined with the Safe Start/Healthy Schools agreement. Additional delays occurred after further discussions with NCOE to separate the two agreements due to funding restraints.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi