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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mary Butler - Chief Probation Officer

Care of Juvenile Court Wards

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

SUBJECT: Agreement with Sonoma County for placement of Napa County Wards at Sonoma's Probation

Camp/Sierra Youth Center

RECOMMENDATION

Chief Probation Officer requests approval of and authorization for the Chair to sign the renewal of Agreement No. 6119 with the County of Sonoma at the rate of \$3,000 per ward per month on an as needed basis, and at a rate of \$1,200 per ward per month for aftercare services for the term of July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006 for court ordered placements of Napa County wards.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Sonoma County operates and maintains Probation Camp, a boys juvenile facility for placement of juveniles ages 16 to 18 and Sierra Youth Center, a facility for placement of juveniles ages 12 to 18. Placement to both of these facilities are for juveniles who are at-risk and have been ordered by the court. Sonoma County's residential treatment facilities are in compliance with the standards for juvenile camps established by the Youth Authority.

FISCAL IMPACT

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

Where is it budgeted? Care of Juvenile Court Wards

Is it Mandatory or Discretionary? Mandatory

Is the general fund affected? Yes

Future fiscal impact: This agreement is reviewed annually by the department and funding is

appropriated in the recommended budget from both the General Fund and the

TANF trust account.

Consequences if not approved: Mandatory services will not be provided. These are court ordered placements

that we are required by law to pay.

Additional Information:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no Environmental Impact for this item.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

This contract provides for services on an as needed basis. At this time, Napa County has two female juveniles who have been ordered by the court to be placed at Sierra Youth Center. Wards referred to this facility are generally considered to be too high risk to remain in the Napa County Juvenile Facility. Last year the department placed one male juvenile at Sonoma Probation Camp and two female placements at Sierra Youth for a total cost of \$46,631. Sierra Youth Center is the only facility in the area for the placement of females offenders.

This contract also includes a provision for aftercare services. Aftercare services provides weekend housing for a transition back to community. The minor is home four days a week, on a monitor for curfew violations, and returns to camp for the weekend. Secondly, this years contract includes placement at Sonoma County's Sierra Youth Center for female minors.

The price of beds for FY 2005-06 is the same as FY 2004-05. The contract is being submitted late due to the timeliness of receiving the contract from Sonoma County.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

None

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Helene Franchi