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NAPA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Letter

TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Leanne Link for Nancy Watt - County Executive Officer
County Executive Office
REPORT BY: Liz Habkirk, PRINCIPAL MANAGEMENT ANALYST - 253-4826
SUBJECT: Approval and Authorization for the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant Program

RECOMMENDATION

County Executive Officer and Chief Probation Officer request:

1. Authorization for the Chairman 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 participating in the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant program; and
2. Direction to the Community Corrections Partnership to establish minimum requirements, funding criteria, grant award limits, and procedures for the County to award grants to nongovernmental entities within the guidelines provided by the BSCC.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Under provisions of the Budget Act of 2014, Napa County is eligible to receive \$50,000 in Community Recidivism Reduction grant funding to allocate to nongovernmental agencies providing community recidivism and crime reduction services. Today's action will authorize the Chairman to sign a letter notifying the BSCC of our intent to participate in the program and direct the County's CCP to develop the program's minimum requirements, funding criteria, grant award limits, and procedures for award.

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 allocates \$8 million to the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) for the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant program. Counties are 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 is eligible to receive up to \$50,000 to distribute to nongovernmental entities with a maximum award of \$10,000 to each entity.

Participating counties are required to collect and submit data to the BSCC on grants awarded including information on the number of individuals served and the types of services provided. The funds are required to be spent within four years. Additionally, the County may retain up to 5% of the funding for reimbursement of administrative costs.

Today's action will satisfy the requirement to notify the BSCC of the County's intent to participate and direct the County's Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) to develop a competitive grant program that meets the guidelines established by the BSCC. The CCP will draft a Request for Proposals and 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 are 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 funding could be disbursed to qualifying programs in early 2015.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

A . Notification Letter

CEO Recommendation: Approve

Reviewed By: Karen Collins