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Cyndi Lee
Clerk of the Board

**COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
CALIFORNIA**

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For the Agenda of:
September 23, 2014

To: Board of Supervisors

From: County Executive's Office

Subject: Authorization To Seek Funding Through The Board Of State And Community Corrections In The Amount Of \$250,000 For 2014-15 Recidivism Reduction Funding In Conjunction With The Community Corrections Partnership

Supervisorial:
District(s) All

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Overview

The County Executive's Office (CEO) is requesting authorization to seek funding through the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) in the amount of \$250,000 for 2014-15 Recidivism Reduction Funding in conjunction with the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP). The county will receive 5% of the total funding for the payment of administrative costs. The remainder will be awarded to selected non-government organizations (NGOs) for completion of recidivism reduction programs based on a competitive process.

Recommendation

Approve the attached Resolution authorizing the County Executive Office to seek funding through the Board of State and Community Corrections.

Measures/Evaluation

The county will collect data and outcome measures on a monthly or quarterly basis, as determined by the BSCC. These reports will be provided to the BSCC per Section 1233.10 (a) of AB 1468.

Fiscal Impact

The total funding request of \$250,000 includes a 5% administration fee for the county, with the remainder awarded to selected NGOs. There is no match requirement for this funding. Administrative fee funding for the county will be used to administer the program, to include developing an RFP, reviewing, rating, and selecting qualified NGOs as part of a committee, and devising a tracking mechanism to measure program outcomes and report them to the BSCC. It is not entirely clear at this point whether the \$12,500 will be sufficient to cover the cost of administering the program.

BACKGROUND

In September 2013, the Governor and the Legislature arrived at a negotiated agreement on how to manage the state's compliance with the federal court order regarding prison overcrowding. SB

105 codified the elements of that agreement, which included a specification that any unexpended portion of the \$315 million authorized for in and out-of state beds would be dedicated to a Recidivism Reduction Fund. The total amount available for the Fund in 2014-15 is just over \$90 million.

AB 1468 -- SEC.21 relates to the Community Recidivism Reduction Grant, which includes \$8 million in one-time funding, dispersed among Counties based on population, to provide small grants to nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) engaged in a broad scope of recidivism reduction efforts in the community. Under the trailer bill, Boards of Supervisors in collaboration with the local Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) are required to administer a competitive grant program for the NGOs. The County of Sacramento has been allotted \$250,000 for this purpose, with a one-year time period to award the funds and four-year maximum time span to expend the funds, after which they will revert back to the state General Fund. Awards to individual NGOs are capped at \$50,000, so the County will need to select at least five service providers.

DISCUSSION

There are a variety of potential uses for the funds, but qualifying nongovernmental entities must have a demonstrated history of providing recidivism and crime reduction services for the immediately preceding five year period. Some of the allowed uses include, but are not limited to, delinquency prevention, homelessness prevention, and reentry services. Boards of Supervisors, in collaboration with the CCP, must establish minimum requirements and funding criteria and must transmit to BSCC data collected by the service providers. Prior to beginning the process of developing an RFP and soliciting proposals, the county must alert the State of its intent to participate in the program. The CCP has discussed this grant program, and recommends that the county participate. However, it was noted at the CCP meeting that there will be particular challenges associated with utilizing this grant program given the relatively small amount provided to the County overall, the one-time nature of the funds and the cap on how much money can be provided to individual grant recipients. Most funding aimed at reducing offender recidivism involves on-going operating programs or services, not capital or other one-time expenses. And, in the case of grant funding for operating programs, it is necessary to consider how the services will be sustained once the grant funding ends.

In the case of this grant program, unless appropriate one-time uses can be identified, it would probably not be prudent to spend the full \$250,000 (\$50,000 per service provider) in one year because it is would likely not be sustainable. Instead, we would more likely be looking at annual expenditures of approximately \$62,000, with no more than \$12,000 per service provider. Taking into account the limited amount of annual resources that would be provided to each service provider and the costs of administering a competitive grant program, it will be important to consider allocating these funds in a way that most cost-effectively achieves the County's objectives. If the Board of Supervisors decides to participate in this program, the CCP will develop goals, objectives and strategies for the use of these funds and identify the process of selecting providers and awarding the grants. Staff would then begin the RFP and selection process, and return to the CCP and Board for approval of awards to specific NGOs.

MEASURES/EVALUATION

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FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

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Respectfully submitted,

BRADLEY J. HUDSON
County Executive

Attachment: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-0632

Authorization To Seek Funding Through The Board Of State And Community Corrections In The Amount Of \$250,000 For 2014-15 Recidivism Reduction Funding In Conjunction With The Community Corrections Partnership

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Sacramento County Criminal Corrections Partnership, or his designee is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, a political subdivision of the State of California, to seek Board of State and Community Corrections grant funding in the amount of \$250,000, for the period ending October 2018, to provide recidivism reduction programs, and to do and perform everything necessary to carry out the purpose of this Resolution including any necessary changes, modifications, or amendments.

On a motion by Supervisor Yee, seconded by Supervisor Serna, the foregoing Resolution was passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sacramento, State of California, this 23rd day of September 2014, by the following vote, to wit:

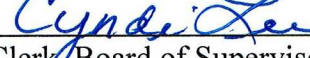
AYES: Supervisors, MacGlashan, Nottoli, Serna, Yee
NOES: Supervisors, None
ABSENT: Supervisors, Peters
ABSTAIN: Supervisors, None



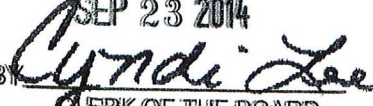
Chair of the Board of Supervisors
of Sacramento County, California

In accordance with Section 25103 of the Government Code of the State of California a copy of the document has been delivered to the Chair of the Board of Supervisors, County of Sacramento on 9/23/14

By: 
Deputy Clerk, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: 
Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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