

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
BOARD ACTION SUMMARY**

DEPT: Probation

BOARD AGENDA: 5.B.2
AGENDA DATE: June 5, 2018

SUBJECT:

Approval to Award Community Corrections Partnership Funding to Community Based Organizations for Fiscal Year 2018-2019

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-0254

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor Olsen
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: Olsen, Chiesa, Withrow, Monteith, and Chairman DeMartini

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

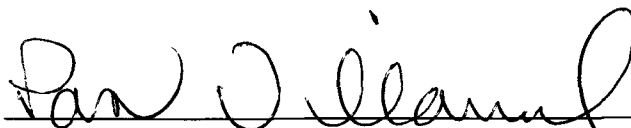
1) Approved as recommended

2) Denied

3) Approved as amended

4) Other:

MOTION:



ATTEST: PAM VILLARREAL, Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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CONSENT:

CEO CONCURRENCE: YES

4/5 Vote Required: No

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STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve funding from the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) to fund Leaders in Community Alternatives, Inc., Learning Quest, Nirvana Drug and Alcohol Treatment Institute and Sierra Vista Child and Family Services for Fiscal Year 2018-2019.
2. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer, as Chair of the CCP, to negotiate and sign contracts with the funded service providers.

DISCUSSION:

Annually, the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) recommends a local plan to the County Board of Supervisors for the implementation of 2011 Public Safety Realignment. The CCP Plan is required to be voted on by the CCP Executive Committee. On April 24, 2018, the Budget Year 2018-2019 CCP Plan was approved by the Board of Supervisors.

The CCP Plan set aside \$1,000,000 for Budget Year 2018-2019 to be awarded through 12-month service contracts to Community Based Organizations (CBOs) using a formal Request for Proposal (RFP) process. The RFP process was initiated in an effort to contract with CBOs for services designed to address crime and recidivism through offender treatment, programming and services. This marks the second occasion that the CCP has initiated the RFP process to select the CBOs for these service contracts.

On November 29, 2017, the General Services Agency released an RFP. The RFP was sent to 56 local agencies and eight proposals were received. The eight proposals came from the following organizations: Leaders in Community Alternatives, Inc.; Learning Quest; Nirvana Drug and Alcohol Treatment Institute; Sierra Vista Child and Family Services; the Family Justice Center; the Boys and Girls Club; Cambridge Academies; and El Concilio. An evaluation committee was convened that included staff from the Probation Department, the Sheriff's Office and the Center for Human Services. The evaluation committee determined four proposals met the goals and priorities of the CCP: Leaders in Community Alternatives, Inc.; Learning Quest; Nirvana Drug and Alcohol Treatment Institute; and Sierra Vista Child and Family Services.

During the appeal period, one agency filed a formal protest. In the protest, the agency requested assistance in understanding the RFP scoring results and asked the County to reconsider its award decision. On March 13, 2018, the General Services Agency (GSA) responded to the protest and released aspects of the scoring results. GSA determined the protest was without merit. The deadline to file any subsequent appeals/protests expired on March 27, 2018, and no additional appeals/protests were received.

The Executive Committee of the CCP reviewed the recommendations of the evaluation committee and recommends approval of the following four proposals:

Leaders in Community Alternatives (LCA), Inc. – This program will facilitate successful re-entry and rehabilitation for current and formerly incarcerated individuals by assisting them in achieving sustainable employment leading to career paths and increased self-sufficiency. Services include case management, barrier removal, job readiness, job search, job placement assistance, retention support and robust vocational training opportunities. For the first time, LCA will also offer housing assistance for program participants in need of housing support. Participants will work with an Employment Services Specialist to create an agreement for a housing subsidy as part of their Individual Employment Plan. The subsidy will be connected to the participant's commitment to employment retention and increased self-sufficiency. The provider has requested \$543,436 for Budget Year 2018-2019.

Learning Quest – This fully customizable program is designed to provide current and formerly incarcerated individuals with the knowledge and skills needed to successfully reintegrate into the workplace and community, while also seeking to reduce the potential for recidivism. The materials are designed to support diverse adult learners with various learning levels and skill sets using real-life instruction, practice activities and relevant examples and scenarios. The courses in the program are separated into the following modules: money management and skills; problem solving and decision-making; values, clarification, goal setting and achieving; job placement assistance; and employment skills. Other transitional services include the following on an individual basis: resume building assistance; mock interviews; employment application assistance; trade school application assistance; goal setting; and referrals to outside agencies. The provider has requested \$184,389 for Budget Year 2018-2019.

Nirvana Drug and Alcohol Treatment Institute – This program will provide in-patient residential treatment services and sober living housing for those formerly incarcerated. Successfully Transitioning back Into the Community (STIC) courses will educate those in-custody and those freshly released on issues such as: separating from negative influences; making decisions; trust; boundaries; asking for help; self-awareness; self-sabotage; short/long-term goals; self-esteem; relationships; staying humble; and utilizing county resources. A 13-week Nurturing Fathers Parenting Program will assist those incarcerated by introducing new techniques, concepts and broadening the perspective of the overall parenting experience as a father. Participants will learn healthy alternatives to corporal punishment, age appropriate expectations of their children, fostering appropriate social interaction, and identifying parent emotions. The program will offer six residential treatment beds, three weekly STIC courses, one clean and sober living bed and one weekly Nurturing Fathers Parenting Program. The provider has requested \$162,520 for Budget Year 2018-2019.

Sierra Vista Child and Family Services – This program will provide domestic violence/batterer’s treatment to current and formerly incarcerated individuals. The aim will be to mitigate violence and provide new skills to batterers to prevent repeat violence/recidivism. Individuals will learn tools that help them resolve problems appropriately, master concepts and skills needed to stop their destructive behavior and maintain an abuse-free lifestyle.

In addition, the program will offer parenting classes and counseling for incarcerated individuals. Instruction will be based on psychoeducational and cognitive-behavioral approaches to learning and will focus on "re-parenting," or helping parents learn new patterns of parenting to replace their existing, learned, abusive patterns. Participants will develop awareness, knowledge, and skills in the following areas: age-appropriate expectations; empathy, bonding, and attachment; nonviolent nurturing discipline; self-awareness and self-worth; and empowerment, autonomy, and healthy independence. The provider has requested \$109,655 for Budget Year 2018-2019.

The following outlines the recommended service providers for a total amount of \$1,000,000 for Budget Year 2018-2019:

Leaders in Community Alternatives, Inc.	\$543,436
Learning Quest	\$184,389
Nirvana Drug and Alcohol Treatment Institute	\$162,520
<u>Sierra Vista Child and Family Services</u>	<u>\$109,655</u>
Total:	\$1,000,000

The Probation Department and the Sheriff’s Office will ensure services are progressing and being performed in compliance with the contracts.

POLICY ISSUE:

County policy requires Board of Supervisors authorization for all contracts and transactions exceeding \$100,000.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Probation Department is requesting approval to award service contracts in the amount of \$1,000,000 in Budget Year 2018-2019. The \$1,000,000 set-aside funds are included in the approved CCP plan for Budget Year 2018-2019. Estimated revenue and appropriations will be included in the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Proposed Budget.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS’ PRIORITY:

The recommended actions are consistent with the Board’s priority of *Supporting Strong and Safe Neighborhoods* by ensuring the most effective programs and services to reduce recidivism are being funded and implemented.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Contract administration related to the recommended actions will be covered by existing Probation staffing.

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