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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

APPROVAL OF A NON-FINANCIAL STANDARDIZED AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES AT AN ADULT DAY REPORTING CENTER (DRC)

(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT:

The County of Los Angeles Probation Department is requesting that your Board approve a standardized non-financial agreement with community-based organizations (CBOs), school districts, vocational schools and faith-based organizations (FBOs) for services that include educational and vocational skills training, and employment search assistance and job placement at an Adult Day Reporting Center (DRC).

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Approve the attached non-financial standardized agreement to utilize the services of community-based organizations (CBOs), school districts, vocational schools and faith-based organizations (FBOs) for services that include, but are not limited to, educational and vocational skills training and employment search assistance and job placement services at a Day Reporting Center (DRC).
2. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to negotiate and execute agreements with the with various service providers, upon approval as to form by County Counsel.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

The purpose of the recommended actions is to obtain approval of a standardized agreement to contract with CBOs, school districts, vocational schools and FBOs that have available funding through sources other than the DRC grant. The agreements are non-financial in nature and will be used as a vehicle to obtain services at a state grant-funded Adult Day Reporting Center that is scheduled to open in November 2008 at 5811 San Pedro Street in Los Angeles. This will provide Probation with needed resources at no cost to the Department. This will also provide the participating agencies with the opportunity to provide specific services that are not funded through Probation. The agencies will be primarily providing services that include educational and vocational skills training, employment search assistance, and job placement services. Other services that may be provided include job training and job preparation, vocational rehabilitation, career development, life skill services and supportive services (e.g., medical, dental, clothing, etc.) The recommended actions will result in a collaboration and sharing of resources with community partners.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended Board actions are consistent with the Countywide Strategic Plan Goal No. 4: Fiscal Responsibility, No. 7. Health and Mental Health, and Goal No. 8: Public Safety. Implementation of these recommendations will enable Probation to coordinate and collaborate integrated services for probation adults.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The proposed agreements will be non-financial and will not have a financial impact.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On April 1, 2008, your Board authorized the Chief Probation Officer to accept funding under the SB81 Pilot Project administered by the Corrections Standards Authority (CSA) for an Adult Day Reporting Center (DRC). CSA allocated funding for two one-time probation pilot projects. The County of Los Angeles Probation Department was selected to participate in the pilot project along with the Alameda County Probation Department. Each pilot project was funded at \$5 million and the funds were made available for expenditure for a period of three years effective August 24, 2007 through August 23, 2010. The overall purpose of the pilot projects is to test models for reducing the number of offenders sentenced to state prison. Additionally, the CSA requires that Probation provide a report and evaluation of this pilot project.

The proposed pilot project targets the emerging adult probationer population (18 to 25 year-olds), which includes probationers with known gang affiliations. The pilot project also targets probationers that live within jurisdictions in Los Angeles County that are known gang hot spots. The Probation Department is working with several public agencies as well as local law enforcement to coordinate the project and enhance services to the gang hot spots.

The proposed non-financial standardized agreement includes all contractual requirements and will be executed based on the needs of the DRC, available grant funding, and subject to approval by County Counsel as to form.

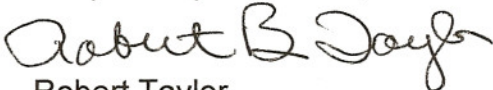
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will allow Probation to leverage funds, enhance collaborations with local CBOs, school districts, vocational schools and FBOs, and provide needed services to the County's emerging adult population.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by your Board, it is requested that the Executive Officer/Clerk of the Board send the adopted Board Letter of this action to: Probation Department, Contract Management Division, Attention: Yolanda Young, Director, 9150 E. Imperial Hwy Downey, CA 90242.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel
Chief Executive Officer