



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Probation



Date: January 7, 2015
Board Meeting Date: January 27, 2015
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: John T. Keene, Chief Probation Officer
Subject: Approval for Acceptance of the Proud Parenting Program Grant administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Chief Probation Officer or his designee to:

- A) Apply for and accept federal funds available for FY 2015-16 in the amount of \$119,285 through the Proud Parenting Program Grant administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections; and
- B) Provide matching funds required for this grant in the amount of \$11,928.

BACKGROUND:

The Proud Parenting Program is a grant administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) to deliver parenting curriculum to youth by strengthening parenting knowledge and skills through parent education classes supported by proven strategies. The target audience is young parents between the ages of 14 and 25 who have been involved in the justice system and/or child welfare system, and their children. Parent education classes will include the use of proven strategies that have been found to reduce recidivism, substance abuse, and anti-social behavior. Facilitators will prepare materials, create visual aids and plan group activities as well as facilitate 10 week-long sessions.

DISCUSSION:

Youth are referred by a Deputy Probation Officer. Each participant must show interest in the program and be committed to completing the program. Phase I includes 10

week-long sessions of in-class education on topics such as early childhood stages of development, CPR certification, and cognitive behavioral therapy.

Interventions that will be used are through regular visits to the participants for up to one year after completion of Phase I. The program facilitator will provide follow up case work to assist participants as they work through the challenges of parenthood and provide motivation for education or career advancement. Interactions will occur through the telephone and in-person visits.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the Resolution and Amendment as to form.

Acceptance of these funds contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Safe Neighborhood by providing parenting knowledge and skills through proven strategies to help young parents reduce recidivism, substance abuse, and anti-social behavior.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2015-16 Projected
Percentage of Proud Parent Program participants who increase knowledge of positive parenting strategies	85%
Percentage of Proud Parent Program participants who increase knowledge of stress and anger management strategies	85%
Percentage of Proud Parent Program participants who increase knowledge of stages of early childhood development	85%
Percentage of Proud Parent Program participants who increase education and career development awareness	85%

FISCAL IMPACT:

In order to secure the federal funding in the amount of \$119,285, the County is required to provide \$11,928 in matching funds. These funds are Net County Cost and will be included in the FY 2015-16 Budget.