



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Probation



Date: December 14, 2015
Board Meeting Date: January 26, 2016
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: John T. Keene, Chief Probation Officer
Subject: Agreement with Applied Survey Research to Provide Evaluation and Research Services for Juvenile Programs

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the President of the Board of Supervisors to execute an agreement with Applied Survey Research to provide evaluation and research services for juvenile programs funded through the Juvenile Probation and Camps Funding and Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act programs, for the term July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017, in an amount not to exceed \$230,000.

BACKGROUND:

The State has allocated money from the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) to provide services for at-risk and justice involved youth. JJCPA requires that data be gathered 180 days after youth begin services. Data collection must include when a youth was arrested/detained in the juvenile hall, completed probation, had a probation violation, completed paying restitution, and completed community service. Local outcomes that speak to the effectiveness of each individual program are also collected.

The State has also allocated money from Juvenile Probation and Camps Funding (JPCF) to fund services and programs for prevention/early intervention through custody and in juvenile halls, camps and ranches. JPCF does not have any specific outcome requirements, however, the governing board of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, who administers these and the JJCPA funds, require data to show the effectiveness of the programs funded. As a result, youth are being evaluated using two assessment tools; the Juvenile Assessment and Intervention System™ (JAIS), a gender-specific risk assessment that is research-based as a supervision strategy model that focuses on the underlying motivation for illegal behavior and the Child & Adolescent Needs & Strengths (CANS) tool that will allow JPCF and JJCPA funded community

based organizations to remain focused on the shared vision of serving children and families.

In 2011, Applied Survey Research (ASR) was selected through the RFP process to set up data collection in compliance with the requirements for JJCPA and for specific programs through JPCF. ASR produces the required state and JJCC reports based on data collected from the programs, the Probation Department and select schools. ASR provided program research and evaluation services for all grantees funded through JJCPA and JPCF between July 1, 2011 and December 31, 2015.

In April of 2015, an RFP was issued and ASR was selected to continue providing evaluation and research services to juvenile services programs in San Mateo County between July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017 with funding through JJCPA and JPCF.

The department is submitting this contract to the Board of Supervisor's after the effective date for services due to the volume of state funded contracts being executed during the same time frame all requiring thorough review from the department, the community based organization, and county counsel.

DISCUSSION:

This agreement would allow ASR to continue to provide and assist in data collection in compliance with the requirements for JJCPA and for specific programs through JPCF. This agreement would also enable ASR to dedicate additional hours for the Local Action Plan.

The Probation Department requests that the Chief Probation Officer or his designee be approved to execute contract amendments that modify the County's maximum fiscal obligation by no more than \$25,000 (in aggregate), and/or modify the contract term and/or services so long as the modified term or services is/are within the current or revised fiscal provisions.

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

This Agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of Safe Neighborhoods by implementing and maintaining data required to secure continued funding of programs for at-risk and system involved youth.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2014-15 Actual	FY 2015-16 Projected
Percent of reports that will be submitted to Probation, the JJCC, and the Board of State Community and Corrections by the deadlines imposed.	100%	100%

FISCAL IMPACT:

This term of the agreement is effective July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017 and the total amount of \$230,000 is fully funded by the California State JJCPA Funds and has been included in the Adopted Budget for FY 2015-17. There is no net county cost.