

COUNTY OF SAN MATEO Inter-Departmental Correspondence Probation Department



DATE: May 1, 2014 BOARD MEETING DATE: August 5, 2014 SPECIAL NOTICE/HEARING: None VOTE REQUIRED: Majority

- **TO:** Honorable Board of Supervisors
- FROM: John T. Keene, Chief Probation Officer
- **SUBJECT:** Second Amendment to the Agreements with StarVista and Fresh Lifelines for Youth, Inc.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing amendments to the agreements with StarVista and Fresh Lifelines for Youth, Inc. to provide services to at-risk and system involved youth, extending the term through June 30, 2015 and increasing the aggregate amount by \$249,600 to \$915,605.

BACKGROUND:

In 2000, the State allocated \$2.6 million to San Mateo County for the implementation of a Comprehensive Multi-agency Juvenile Justice Plan (CMJJP) to address gaps in the County's umbrella of services to at-risk youth. The Plan was developed by the County's Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) Council, of which the Chief Probation Officer served as Chair. The Board of Supervisors approved the application by Resolution #064445.

In 2009, because funds for JJCPA were shifted from the State General Fund to State Vehicle Licensing Fees, the Board approved a Resolution #070325 to combine the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Planning Council and the JJCPA Council into one larger oversight body, the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC).

In January of 2011 a new Local Action Plan (LAP) was developed. The LAP planning process resulted in the identification of a core set of strategies to address needs of youth and their families including: an emphasis on early intervention; addressing the needs of both youth and their families; use practices that are recognized evidence-based models; understand and address system barriers; address the needs of underserved groups or groups over-represented in the Juvenile Justice system; and set clear outcomes for funded programs/strategies and plan for their assessment. A Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued to establish contracts to provide these services.

In April of 2011, StarVista and Fresh Lifelines for Youth, Inc. were two (2) of the three (3) programs selected through the RFP process to provide services to youth in San Mateo County between July1, 2011 and June 30, 2014 with funding through the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA).

On December 13, 2011, by Resolution #71756, the Board of Supervisors approved agreements with StarVista and Fresh Lifelines for Youth Inc. to provide behavioral treatment as well as leadership training and intensive case management to at-risk and system involved youth for an amount not to exceed \$331,400 and \$168,000 respectively for the term of July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014. Due to the expected shortfall in state funding for JJCPA programs, the contracts were funded at only 66% of the original award amount for FY 2011-12. In October 2012, by Resolution #72203, the Board of Supervisors amended the contract was to increase the funding allocation to \$441,600 and \$224,000 respectively to reflect additional State funding.

In September 2013, the JJCC was presented with part I of the recidivism study. The study aimed to estimate the number of re-entries into the juvenile justice system and to use this data to discuss and agree on common definitions of recidivism for the County. The scope of the study was from July 2010 to December 2011. The JJCC decided that more information was needed in order to yield a better baseline for future program outcome measures. Because of this, the JJCC recommended a contract extension for StarVista and Fresh Lifelines for Youth, Inc. for a term July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015 to provide a wider scope for part II of the recidivism study and to also allow for a better review of the Local Action Plan (LAP), which is in place until the end of 2015.

DISCUSSION:

This amendment would extend the term of the agreement through June 2015 and increase the funding by \$165,600.00 to an amount not to exceed \$607,200.00 for the duration of the contract for StarVista and allow continued behavioral treatment for youth in Redwood City in the form of the Insights Adolescent Program based on the "Seeking Safety" model of cognitive behavioral treatment.

This amendment will extend the term of the agreement through June 2015 and increase the funding by \$84,405.00 to an amount not to exceed \$308,405.00 for the duration of the contract for Fresh Lifelines for Youth, Inc. and allow continued Leadership Training Program in the community where the youth will be provided with intensive case management to assist them with setting and achieving goals in regards to education, vocation and health.

This amendment also gives the Chief Probation Officer or his designee the authorization 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 Resolution and Amendment as to form.

Approval of this Amendment contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of Safe

Neighborhoods by helping youth reduce destructive and criminal behavior. With support youth can better participate in their education and contribute to their communities.

Performance Measure(s):

Measure	FY 2013-14 Actual	FY 2014-15 Target
Youth served will report that counseling helped them make positive choices for themselves	70%	70%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of each agreement is extended for one year through June 30, 2015. The total aggregate amount of the agreements is \$915,605. The agreements are fully funded by the California State JJCPA Funds and have been included in the tentatively Adopted Budget for FY 2014-15. There is no Net County Cost.