



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Probation



Date: May 26, 2016
Board Meeting Date: July 12, 2016
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: John T. Keene, Chief Probation Officer

Subject: Agreement with National Council on Crime and Delinquency to provide the platform for the risk assessment tools for both juvenile and adult offenders.

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution waiving the Request for Proposal process and authorizing the President of the Board to execute an agreement with the National Council on Crime and Delinquency (NCCD) to provide the platform for the risk assessment tools for both juvenile and adult offenders for the term of July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$407,212.90.

BACKGROUND:

The NCCD is the nation's premier developer of actuarial risk assessment for use in both adult and juvenile corrections namely the Corrections Assessment and Intervention System (CAIS) for adults and the Juvenile Assessment and Intervention System (JAIS) for juveniles. These evidence based risk assessment tools have been validated by NCCD with a similar offender population. Also, they have been proven to be effective in providing criminal justice agencies with critical tools for maximizing efficient use of resources and the possibility of positive outcomes for adult and juvenile offenders living in the community.

Since 2008, NCCD has been providing the Probation Department's Adult Services Division, including Realignment and Reentry with CAIS. The tool assists Deputy Probation Officers (DPOs) identify important issues the client might have during supervision. In November 2014, the Juvenile Services Division went live with JAIS to ensure consistency in the tools administered within both divisions. It is beneficial for the department to use just one system for both of its divisions, given the impending conversion onto the new Probation Information Management System (PIMS) scheduled to go-live later this year.

DISCUSSION:

Through this agreement, the Probation Department will have continued access to CAIS and JAIS, which are validated, evidence based risk assessments tools. These tools will assist in the Department's focus on risk based supervision to ensure that both juvenile and adult offenders will be placed in the appropriate supervision unit. The consistent use and administration of both the JAIS and CAIS tool for offender supervision also supports the Department's commitment to implementing evidence-based tools and enhancing its Evidence Based Organization status.

On 04-24-16, the County's Contract Compliance Committee granted a 3-year waiver request to the Probation Department for this agreement.

The Probation Department is also seeking a waiver of the Request for Proposals process in order to execute this contract. It is in the County's and the Department's best interest to execute this agreement with the Contractor to ensure that it continues its business model of providing risk-based supervision to its clients.

Probation Departments in neighboring counties also utilize NCCD's CAIS and JAIS assessment to supervise their own offenders. Santa Clara County issued a Request for Proposals for a risk assessment tool in 2010 and awarded the contract to NCCD for both their CAIS and JAIS tools.

To date, Santa Clara County continues to contract with NCCD for these tools, with the most recent amendment issued in July 2015. Similarly, Contra Costa County has also been utilizing the CAIS and JAIS tools with their population and has been in contract with NCCD since their RFP was issued in 2009.

The contractor has assured compliance with the County's Contractor Employee Jury Service Ordinance, as well as all other contract provisions that are required by County ordinance and administrative memoranda, including but not limited to insurance, hold harmless, non-discrimination and equal benefits.

The Probation Department requests that the Chief Probation Officer or his designee be granted 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.

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2020. The Agreement and Resolution have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel.

This Agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Healthy Community by helping youth reduce destructive and criminal behavior. With proper mentoring, the at-risk youth can better participate in their education and contribute positively to their communities.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	<i>FY 2015-16</i> Target	<i>FY 2016-17</i> Target	<i>FY 2017-18</i> Target	<i>FY 2018-19</i> Target	<i>FY 2019-20</i> Target
Percent of Offenders being supervised based on risk level, using an evidence-based assessment	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The term of the agreement is July 1, 2016 to September 30, 2020. The total obligation is \$407,212.90, funded 100% with net county costs. The funds have been included in the FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17 Adopted Budgets and will be included in the FY 2017-18, FY 2018-19 and FY 2019-20 Recommended Budgets.