



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
Inter-Departmental Correspondence
Sheriff's Office



Date: November 25, 2013
Board Meeting Date: January 7, 2014
Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: Sheriff Greg Munks
Subject: Agreement with the San Francisco Sheriff's Department

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a Resolution authorizing an agreement with the San Francisco Sheriff's Department for San Mateo County inmates to participate in the Five Keys Charter School Program for the term of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, in an amount not to exceed \$197,100.

BACKGROUND:

The San Francisco Sheriff's Department, in partnership with the San Francisco Unified School District, has developed the first charter high school in the nation designed for offenders serving time in the criminal justice system and upon release. Five Keys Charter School provides innovative technology-based education programs for current and former inmates in the San Francisco County jail. The average county inmate is an 18-25 year old man or woman of color with a 4th to 6th grade reading level who comes from a single-parent family, is economically disadvantaged, and has been under the jurisdiction of social services and/or law enforcement agencies since adolescence.

Established as an independent 501(c) (3) non-profit operation, Five Keys Charter School offers opportunities for students to enhance their academic performance through a combination of computer-based learning and traditional classroom instruction. By advancing their education, ex-offenders will qualify for higher paying jobs, stand a better chance of living crime-free lives, and be better equipped as parents. This project will reduce crime and its burden to taxpayers, as well as give former offenders the opportunity to contribute positively to their local community.

DISCUSSION:

The Sheriff's Program Services Manager in conjunction with the Classification Unit will review the in-custody population to determine a list of the most eligible sentenced male and female inmates to participate in the San Francisco Unified School District Five Keys Charter School Program ("SFSD-5KCSP"). Factors considered for entry into the

program will include, but not be limited to, the following: San Francisco residency; 60 days or more remaining on the sentence with no supervision conditions; voluntary agreement to transfer to San Francisco County Jail for participation in the program while in-custody and upon release as directed by SFSD-5KCSP staff; and a positive recommendation by the Classification Unit as a low to medium risk inmate. Once selections have been made for this pilot program, the Sheriff's Office will arrange to transfer 2 male inmates and 2 female inmates to ensure a total of 4 inmates participate in the pilot program for the first year (additional inmates may be added to maintain 4 ADP in the SFSD-5KCSP) in compliance with our SFSD-5KCSP contract. The Program Services Manager will monitor and track the progress of each inmate with SFSD-5KCSP staff and make adjustments and/or notifications as needed.

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

Approval of this Agreement contributes to the Shared Vision 2025 outcome of a Safe Neighborhood by reducing crime through advancing the education of offenders and ex-offenders resulting in a better chance of living crime-free lives.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE(S):

Measure	FY 2013-14 Actual	FY 2014-15 Projected
The number of SMCSO inmates who participate successfully in the SFSD Five Keys Charter School Program for the length of their custody time.	4	4

SMCSO inmates are eligible to voluntarily transfer to SFSD Five Keys Charter School if they are: 1) residents of the City and County of San Francisco; 2) have 60 or more days remaining on their sentence with no supervision conditions; 3) volunteer to participate in the program; and 4) have been recommended by the SMCSO Classification unit as a low to medium risk inmate.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The terms of the agreement include payment to the San Francisco Sheriff's Department based on a daily jail rate of \$135 per inmate per day. The maximum annual cost for this agreement assuming all bed days are occupied is \$197,100. For FY 2013-14, these costs will be paid from the Sheriff's Office existing appropriation of AB109 funding. There is no Net County Cost associated with this agreement.