



# County of San Mateo

## Inter-Departmental Correspondence

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**Department:** PROBATION

**File #:** 19-1225

Board Meeting Date: 12/10/2019

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**Special Notice / Hearing:** None  
**Vote Required:** Majority

**To:** Honorable Board of Supervisors

**From:** John T. Keene, Chief Probation Officer

**Subject:** Agreement with SCRAM of California Inc., to provide global positioning system, house arrest, and continuous alcohol monitoring services to defendants in Pretrial Services.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Adopt a resolution authorizing an agreement with SCRAM of California Inc. to provide global positioning system (GPS), house arrest, and continuous alcohol monitoring (CAM) services to defendants in Pretrial Services for the term of December 1, 2019, through June 30, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$850,000.

**BACKGROUND:**

In April 2017, the Probation Department completed a Request for Quotes (RFQ) process and selected SCRAM of California Inc. as the vendor to provide CAM services for adult probationers in the DUI Court Program.

In December 2018, the Probation Department completed a Request for Proposals (RFP) process and selected SCRAM of California Inc. as the vendor to provide the necessary electronic monitoring services (house arrest and CAM) to both adult and juvenile probationers.

The San Mateo County Probation Department has operated a Pretrial Services program since 2000. This program provides monitoring and support services to recently arrested clients released on their own recognizance pending his or her next court appearance.

In response to a Request for Applications released by the Judicial Council of California (JCC), San Mateo County convened a countywide Pretrial Services Working Group whose members included staff from the Superior Court, Probation, Sheriff's Office, District Attorney's Office, Information Services Department, County Manager's Office, and the Private Defender Panel. This collaborative worked together to submit an application to the JCC, including developing a new monitoring matrix to recommend the appropriate monitoring level for each defendant. Release conditions will aim to maximize court appearance and public safety. GPS, house arrest, and CAM would be available options for defendants on supervised own recognizance release.

In August 2019, San Mateo County was notified that it is one of the recipients of a grant award in the amount of \$6.1 million to implement enhancements to the existing Pretrial Services program, including a new monitoring matrix with appropriate release conditions for defendants on pretrial monitoring.

**DISCUSSION:**

Through this agreement, SCRAM of California Inc. will provide GPS, house arrest, and CAM services to defendants in Pretrial Services. SCRAM of California Inc. will support the department via onsite and web-based trainings, installation and maintenance of equipment, file and client management, and data reporting.

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

**PERFORMANCE MEASURES:**

<b>Theme</b>	<b>Measure</b>	<b>FY 2019-2020 Target</b>	<b>FY 2020-2021 Target</b>
<b>Performance</b>	Percent of defendants on GPS without any confirmed violations	70%	70%
<b>Performance</b>	Percent of defendants on house arrest without any confirmed violations	70%	70%
<b>Performance</b>	Percent of defendants on CAM without any confirmed violations	70%	70%

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The term of this agreement is from December 1, 2019, through June 30, 2021. The total funding is \$850,000.00, funded by the Pretrial Pilot Program Grant. Funds have been included in the FY 2019-20 Budget and FY 2020-21 Recommended Budget.