



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: PROBATION

File #: 16-654

Board Meeting Date: 10/17/2017

Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors
From: John T. Keene, Chief Probation Officer
Subject: Agreements with Urban Services c/o YMCA San Francisco and Pyramid Alternatives, Inc., through Juvenile Probation Camp Funding to provide services to at risk youth

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing the President of the Board of Supervisors to execute agreements through the Juvenile Probation Camp Funding (JPCF):

- A) An agreement with Pyramid Alternatives, Inc. to provide a comprehensive school-based program called Strengthen Our Youth (SOY) in which clinicians work with at-risk youth and provide parental engagement for the term of July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2020, in the amounts not to exceed \$700,635; and
- B) An agreement with Urban Services c/o YMCA San Francisco to provide both an on-campus violence prevention program called the School Safety Advocates Program-Middle Schools (SSA-MS) which is designed to capitalize on early intervention at the middle school level, as well as providing a Victim Impact Awareness Program (VIA) to approximately sixty (60) youth residing in San Mateo County for the term of July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2020, in the amounts not to exceed \$638,959.

BACKGROUND:

The Juvenile Probation and Camps Funding (JPCF) was developed in 2005 to fund services and programs targeting at-risk youth, juvenile offenders, and their families. Services funded through JPCF include prevention/early intervention in the community, as well as through detention in the juvenile hall and the camps.

In 2016, under the guidance of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council a five year Local Action Plan (LAP) was developed and replaced the LAP created in 2011. The planning process of the LAP included key information interviews, focus groups and a survey completed by staff at community based organizations. The new LAP identified five areas of need for the youth and their families:

- 1. Behavioral Health
- 2. Impact of Poverty on Youth

3. Cultural Sensitivity
4. Family and Community Engagement
5. Additional Programs and Services, such as gang prevention, mentoring and re-entry

In April 2017, the Probation Department completed a Request for Proposal process for Youth and Family Programs and has selected Pyramid Alternatives, Inc., and Urban Services c/o YMCA San Francisco.

DISCUSSION:

Through this agreement, Pyramid Alternatives, Inc. will provide services to youth (and their families) who attend Ben Franklin Intermediate School, Daly City; T.R. Pollicita Middle School, Daly City; Parkway Middle School, South San Francisco; Jefferson High School, Daly City; and Half Moon Bay High School, Half Moon Bay. Specific program services include Behavioral Health Assessment, Individual and Group Therapy, Alcohol and Drug Education and Prevention, Parent Engagement, Collateral Contact, Referrals, Case Management, Crisis Management and Data Collection.

Through this agreement, Urban Services c/o YMCA San Francisco will provide an on-campus violence prevention program called the School Safety Advocates Program-Middle Schools (SSA-MS). The SSA-MS is designed to capitalize on early intervention at the middle school level. A full-time SSA-MS staff will be housed in one of the five specified middle schools in South San Francisco or San Mateo that will work in tandem with school personnel to create safe environments on middle school campuses by intervening to address student crises, mediate conflicts, and identify students who need safety and mental health assessment for concerning behaviors.

The YMCA of San Francisco, Urban Services Branch, will also provide a Victim Impact Awareness (VIA) program at the YMCA South San Francisco office. VIA is trauma-informed and strengths-based seven (7)-week educational program for youth referred to YMCA by Probation. YMCA will serve 60 youth annually.

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, 2017, through June 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 providing youth and their families address their with legal services that will help them develop pro-social behavior, emotional wellbeing and strengthen their resiliency against adversities to guide them out of cycles of violence and victimization.

PERFORMANCE MEASURE:

Contractor	Performance Measures	FY 2017-18 Target	FY 2018-19 Target	FY 2019-20 Target
Pyramid Alternatives, Inc.	Percentage of students who demonstrate a decrease in needs in LIFE FUNCTION DOMAINS as outlined on the CANS Assessment (measured by pre/post-tests)	75%	75%	75%
	Percentage of students who demonstrate a decrease in RISK BEHAVIORS as outlined on the CANS Assessment (measured by pre/post-tests)	70%	70%	70%
Urban Services YMCA c/o YMCA San Francisco	SSA-MS: Percent of youth who will report an improvement in their educational outcomes as a result of participating in the program	85%	85%	85%
	VIA: Percent of youth that report an improvement in understanding the impact of their criminal behavior on victims and the community	85%	85%	85%

FISCAL IMPACT:

The Probation Department has secured \$700,635 for Pyramid Alternatives, Inc. and \$638,959 for Urban Services c/o YMCA San Francisco from Juvenile Probation and Camp Funding (JPCF) to support this Agreement for the term July 1, 2017, through December 31, 2020. The funds have been included in the FY 2017-18 Approved Recommended Budget and FY 2018-19 Preliminary Recommended Budgets. There is no Net County Cost.