

County Of Sonoma Agenda Item Summary Report

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Meeting Date **Held Until**
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Agenda Item No: **Agenda Item No:**
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Department: Health Services

4/5 Vote Not Required

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Board Date:
11/10/2009

Deadline for Board Action:

AGENDA SHORT TITLE: Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Award

REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:

Authorize the Director of Health Services to accept Sheriff Department's JAG Program funds for the provision of two substance abuse residential treatment beds (\$42,000).

Authorize the Director of Health Services to execute contracts with community-based organizations for the provision of two substance abuse residential treatment beds and any amendments that do not significantly change the scope of work (\$42,000).

Resolution amending the Departmental Allocation List, Department of Health Services, adding 1.00 FTE position effective November 10, 2009.

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT

EXPENDITURES:

ADDITIONAL FUNDS REQUIRING BOARD APPROVAL:

Estimated Cost	\$42,000	Contingencies (Fund Name:)	\$0
Amount Budgeted	\$42,000	Unanticipated Revenue (Source:)	\$0
Other Available Appropriations (Explain Below)	\$0	Other Transfers (Source:)	\$0
Additional Requested	\$0	Additional Funds Requested	\$0

Explanation (if required): Funds in the amount of \$42,000 are included in Sheriff Department's budget.

Prior Board Action: 9/22/09 – Approved 2009 JAG Program application CFDA #16.738.

Alternatives – Results of Non-Approval: JAG Award - Lost opportunity to expand treatment services to inmates serving time for alcohol or other drug related offences. DUI Position – inability to meet the demand for DUI services as stipulated by State ADP.

Background:

JAG Residential Treatment Beds

In September 2009, the Board of Supervisors approved the execution of the Sheriff Department’s Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), and authorized \$42,000 to fund two substance abuse residential treatment beds for inmates.

The Department of Health Services is requesting Board authorization to accept the JAG Program funding (\$42,000) and execute contracts with community-based organizations to provide two residential treatment beds for inmates referred from the Sonoma County Adult Detention Facilities.

Inmates will be referred to the JAG beds by the Sherriff’s Department. The Starting Point program for inmates will conduct client needs assessment to determine the residential treatment program that best fits the individual need. The length of stay in treatment will be based on this assessment. Clients will then be referred to a community facility for outpatient treatment.

The outpatient treatment regimen will be comprised of individual and group counseling sessions, weekly random testing, client-centered treatment planning and goal identification, relapse prevention interventions, family counseling, vocational counseling and aftercare/follow-up services. Counselors will be certified addiction specialists, and all programs are licensed in accordance with State standards.

DUI Position Allocation Increase

There are currently 107 classes offered to accommodate 2,200 individuals active in the DUI program. California Alcohol and Drug Program requirements stipulate that DUI program staffing be adequate to meet the level of need as indicated by the census at any given time. It is not allowable for DUI clients to be put on a waitlist until services become available. Groups are added or deleted based on enrollment.

Enrollment in the Driving Under the Influence (DUI) program has increased 22.6 % over the past three years, yet the Alcohol and Other Drug Services (AODS) Counselor I/II allocation has decreased from 5.85 FTEs to 5.30 FTEs in this same period. These counselors are supplemented by 13 extra help counselors, whose combined hours have been used to meet program demand. An addition of a 1.00 FTE AODS Counselor I/II is needed to better serve the increase in enrollments and the complex scheduling needs of the DUI program. It is requested that the Board authorize the Department to amend the Position Allocation List, adding a 1.00 FTE AODS Counselor I/II to the DUI program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Grant funds in the amount of \$42,000 are included in the Sheriff Department’s FY 09-10 budget.

The DUI program is supported by client fees. Funds currently budgeted for extra help will be used to cover the cost of the permanent position. A permanent position will provide increased continuity of services and client interventions. There is no contribution from the General Fund.

Attachments: Resolution amending the Departmental Allocation List.

On File With Clerk: None.

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Board Action (If other than “Requested”)

Vote: