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Board Report

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RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY:

The State's Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has approved a continuation grant award in the amount of \$250,000 for the period October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 to sustain the existing evidence-based DUI Treatment Court.

The Superior Court of California, County of Monterey serves as the lead agency for the collaboration, which includes four county agencies: Probation, District Attorney, Public Defender and Health Department-Behavioral Health Bureau.

DISCUSSION:

The Superior Court of California, County of Monterey was initially awarded a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety in the amount of \$350,000 for the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016 to initiate an evidence-based DUI Court program. The program received continuation funding in the amount of \$449,000 for the period October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017, and funding in the amount of \$600,000 for the period October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018, to sustain and develop the existing program.

Funding was reduced to \$250,000 for the period October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 and has been awarded to continue the program.

The DUI Treatment Court program focuses on high-risk multiple DUI offenders, holding them accountable for their actions and instituting a protocol to facilitate lasting behavioral changes, which

include regular testing for substance use, participation in self-help meetings or court-approved treatment programs, and close supervision by Probation and Behavioral Health staff and other service providers.

The DUI Treatment Court program addresses the challenge of repeat-offense drunk drivers through a program based on the Drug Court model. The target population has been identified as clients convicted of two or more DUIs who have a chemical addiction, but are not charged as felons. The Court's first priority is to provide chemically addicted offenders with treatment and supervision.

Operation of the DUI Treatment Court program includes the collaborative services of 2.0 FTE Probation Officer II positions in Probation and 1.0 FTE Case Manager, and a part-time Psychiatric Social Worker in Behavioral Health. Of those, the grant funds support the salary and benefits for .75 FTE of a full-time position Probation Officer II to provide supervision and monitoring, as well as monitoring and testing supplies, and salary and benefits for .75 FTE of a full-time position Case Manager and .15 FTE Psychiatric Social Worker to provide assessments, referrals and case management. The balance of cost for the positions is supported by AB109 funding for the remainder of FY18-19.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Court's application for the OTS Grant was developed in consultation with the involved County agencies. The District Attorney, Public Defender, the Health Director and the Chief Probation Officer have all reviewed the MOU and recommend its approval. County Counsel has approved the MOU as for legal form.

FINANCING:

Probation and Health Department- Behavioral Health have been allocated the total grant funding in the amount of \$250,000 for the one year and specifically: \$147,872 to Probation and \$102,128 to Behavioral Health Bureau.

The services of the Public Defender and Deputy District Attorneys are not reimbursable under the OTS Grant. There is no additional County General Fund Contribution (GFC) associated with the current recommended action. There is no additional cost for this program in FY18-19.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

This recommendation to provide services to veteran offenders supports key objectives of: 1) Health and Human Services by providing access to County and community-based services that offer treatment and support service, and 2) Public Safety by encouraging self-sustainability, a stable environment, and successful reintegration into the community.

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Attachments: DUI Grant MOU 10/01/18 to 09/30/19