



County of Monterey

Board of Supervisors
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Board Report

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- b. Authorize the Chief Probation Officer to sign future amendments to the MOU where each amendment does not exceed ten percent (\$10,000) of the original MOU amount and does not significantly change the scope of services.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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SUMMARY:

The Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE) and the Probation Department maintain a long-standing partnership and a coordinated approach to assist and closely supervise juvenile probationers and at-risk students served by MCOE, utilizing available resources from both agencies. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) identifies mutual responsibilities and provides partial reimbursement to the Probation Department for the Salinas Community School program costs at Rancho Cielo.

DISCUSSION:

The Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE), through its Alternative Education Salinas Community School program, operates a community school for Silver Star Youth Program (SSYP) participants at Rancho Cielo. The community school serves youth who have been expelled from school districts. Probation assists in managing truancy issues, supervising wards attending the school, and providing a safe school environment.

The Probation Department will assign one Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) to the community school at Rancho Cielo to closely monitor and supervise juvenile probationers, ensure the orderly and effective operation of both community school and independent study program, and enhance the level of assistance available to the students in attendance. The DPO manages cases and enforces conditions of probation.

Staffing and operating costs for this program are estimated at \$225,279 for Fiscal Year 2022-2023; MCOE has agreed to pay approximately 44% of these costs, equal to \$100,000.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The MOU has been approved by the Office of County Counsel as to form and by the Auditor-Controller's Office as to fiscal provisions.

FINANCING:

The Salinas Community School program at Rancho Cielo is partially funded by MCOE in the amount of \$100,000, with the remaining portion funded by eligible Title IV-E Federal revenues and the County General Fund. The funds for this program are included in the Probation Department's (PRO001, Unit 8162) Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Recommended Budget. There is no additional cost to the County General Fund with the recommended action.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

The recommendation to approve the MOU with MCOE for the Salinas Community School program supports the following Board of Supervisors' Strategic Initiatives: 1) Health and Human Services by improving quality of life and providing a healthy environment for youth; and 2) Public Safety by encouraging students to achieve their potential through education, monitoring activities during and after school, and increasing safety and awareness on campus through crime prevention and close supervision.

- Economic Development
- Administration
- Health & Human Services
- Infrastructure
- Public Safety

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Attachment:

MOU between Probation and MCOE for Salinas Community School FY 22-23