

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2022**

MINUTE ORDER NO. 2

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP - PROPOSITION 47 GRANT PROGRAM
IMPLEMENTATION AND SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT FOR
EVALUATION SERVICES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

OVERVIEW

Proposition 47 was a voter-approved initiative in November of 2014 that reduced certain felony drug and theft crimes to misdemeanors. It also enacted the Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Act, which designates that 65 percent of the State corrections savings from Proposition 47 shall be used to fund housing support and connections to mental health and substance abuse treatment programs to reduce recidivism of people in the justice system. On April 5, 2022 (2), the Board approved the submission of an application for the Proposition 47 Grant Program. On July 25, 2022, the California Board of State and Community Corrections awarded a total of \$6,000,000 to the County of San Diego as the Lead Agency for a three-year regional proposal.

Today's request includes the addition of a total of three staff years, (1.0) in the Public Safety Group and (2.0) in the Health and Human Services Agency for program development, implementation and coordination of the Proposition 47 Grant Program, and authorization for a single source procurement of program evaluation services. The Proposition 47 Grant Program will support a comprehensive service design including substance use disorder treatment, case management, connections to housing and employment, and supportive services for persons convicted of misdemeanor offenses. The grant program will provide and evaluate a variety of services to improve community safety and to support recovery and rehabilitation.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

1. Establish appropriations of \$658,000 in the Public Safety Group Executive Office, in Salaries & Benefits (\$168,000) and Services & Supplies (\$490,000), for program administration and evaluation services, based on Local Revenue Fund 2011, Community Corrections Subaccount (\$364,000) and the California State Treasury Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund, through the California Board of State and Community Corrections' Proposition 47 Grant Program (\$294,000).
(4 VOTES)
2. Approve and authorize the Public Safety Group Executive Office to add one (1.00) staff year to manage the Proposition 47 Grant Program, including program development and coordination of contracts and partnerships, and direct the Department of Human Resources to classify the position at the appropriate level.

3. Establish appropriations in the amount of \$809,156 in the Health and Human Services Agency, in Salaries & Benefits (\$309,156) and Services & Supplies (\$500,000), for program administration and Community Care Coordination, based on Local Revenue Fund 2011, Community Corrections Subaccount (\$309,156) and the California State Treasury Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund, through the California Board of State and Community Corrections' Proposition 47 Grant Program (\$500,000). **(4 VOTES)**
4. Approve and authorize the Health and Human Services Agency to add two (2.00) staff years to manage the Proposition 47 Grant Program, including program implementation and coordination of service provider contracts and partnerships, and direct the Department of Human Resources to classify the positions at the appropriate level.
5. In accordance with Board Policy A-87, Competitive Procurement, approve and authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting to enter into negotiations with the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), Criminal Justice Research Division, and subject to successful negotiation and determination of a fair and reasonable price, to award a contract for evaluation services for the term of October 18, 2022 through June 1, 2026, with an additional six months if needed and to amend the contract to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to the approval of the Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Public Safety Group.
6. Authorize and direct the Auditor and Controller to establish a trust fund, the "Proposition 47 Grant Program, Cohort III Trust Fund", which will be committed to the evaluation of the Proposition 47 Grant Program for the duration of the contract for evaluation services.

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Some justice-involved individuals experience barriers that impact their ability to successfully navigate systems of care and the justice system. The Proposition 47 Grant Program helps address barriers to services by supporting connections to behavioral health treatment, housing support and employment services for persons with high needs who are leaving custody and who may be at risk of returning. Nationally, social determinants lead to disproportionate crime, arrest and incarceration rates for Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) and those who are poor, struggling with mental health or substance abuse treatment needs, or who are experiencing homelessness. According to local jail data, Black individuals comprised 20 percent of the average jail population in 2021, though census data indicates that only five percent of San Diego County residents are Black. Additionally, Latinos were overrepresented in the jail population in 2021, with Latinos comprising 44 percent of the average jail population but only 34 percent of the total county population. It is anticipated that the Proposition 47 Grant Program will have a positive impact on BIPOC, women, people with disabilities, immigrants, youth, and the LGBTQ+ community by leveraging public resources and partnerships to provide mental health services, substance use disorder treatment, diversion programs and other supportive services such as housing and employment for people in the criminal justice system. By entering into an agreement with SANDAG, the County of San Diego will be able to leverage SANDAG's experience in independent evaluation and access to regional criminal justice data to ensure accountability and transparency throughout the program cycle. The addition of dedicated staff to manage and implement the Proposition 47 Grant Program will help the County of San Diego meet the complex needs of justice-involved individuals.

Community engagement is a critical component of the Proposition 47 Grant Program from the initial development of the grant proposal to the design, implementation, and evaluation of the established program. Per grant requirements, a Local Advisory Committee of diverse subject matter experts-including community members with lived experience-has been convened and will continue to host regular, public meetings to inform and evaluate the program from start to finish. Live interpretation in Spanish is available during each meeting and other languages as requested. The Local Advisory Committee meetings serve to ensure accountability and as a means for communicating and evaluating program results in real time.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The proposed actions to approve the addition of staff years for program coordination and to approve a single source procurement with SANDAG for program evaluation contribute to the County of San Diego's Sustainability Goals of engaging the community, providing equitable access for justice-involved individuals, and protecting the health and wellbeing of vulnerable individuals as they leave custody. By authorizing a single-source evaluation contract with SANDAG, this action will ensure a robust, evidence-based approach to grant program evaluation. Community Care Coordination will provide equitable access to housing, mental health and substance use treatment, peer mentoring, and connections to employment. Extensive community engagement through the Proposition 47 Local Advisory Committee, which includes persons with lived experience as well as other community stakeholders and service providers, is also a major component of the project. Services are designed to provide formerly incarcerated individuals with connections to community-including mentorship opportunities connecting program participants with other individuals with lived experience, as well as crisis stabilization services and access to housing and employment resources. SANDAG will develop a robust reporting program to ensure compliance with State requirements, analysis of outcomes, and provide opportunities for informed community engagement.

FISCAL IMPACT

Public Safety Group

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan for the Public Safety Group Executive Office. If approved, this request will result in costs and revenue of \$658,000 for the current fiscal year. The funding sources are Local Revenue Fund 2011, Community Corrections Subaccount (\$364,000) and California State Treasury Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund, through the California Board of State and Community Corrections' Proposition 47 Grant Program (\$294,000). Salaries & Benefits for the one (1.00) full-time employee will be fully funded by the Community Corrections Subaccount. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and there will be an increase of one (1.00) staff year.

Health and Human Services Agency

Funds for this request are not included in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 Operational Plan in the Health and Human Services Agency. If approved, this will result in estimated costs and revenue of \$809,156 for the current fiscal year. The funding sources are Local Revenue Fund 2011, Community Corrections Subaccount (\$309,156) and California State Treasury Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund, through the California Board of State and Community Corrections' Proposition 47 Grant Program (\$500,000). Salaries & Benefits for the two (2.00) full-time employees will be fully funded by the Community Corrections Subaccount. Remaining grant funds of \$5,700,000 will be included in future Operational Plans. There will be no change in net General Fund cost and there will be an increase of two (2.00) staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ACTION:

ON MOTION of Supervisor Desmond, seconded by Supervisor Vargas, the Board of Supervisors took action as recommended, on Consent.

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

State of California)
County of San Diego) §

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the Original entered in the Minutes of the Board of Supervisors.

ANDREW POTTER
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



Signed
by Andrew Potter