

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024**

**MINUTE ORDER NO. 18**

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATIONS FOR INTERIM HOUSING AND REGIONAL MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIANS SERVICES (DISTRICTS: ALL)**

**OVERVIEW**

The County of San Diego Probation Department (Probation) provides a comprehensive array of programs and services to Probation clients and their families throughout the County in Probation facilities and in the community. These services are delivered through County-operated programs, as well as through contracted services.

Adults and youth supervised by Probation may be at-risk of homelessness and in need of housing assistance upon their release from custody. Probation provides interim (short-term) housing solutions to assist clients, ages 18 and above, as part of community reentry assistance using contracts with nine housing service providers. Using these contracts, probation officers link clients to stable, sober, and drug-free housing to support their successful reentry into the community.

Youth supervised by Probation may receive behavioral health assessments by clinicians utilizing standardized screening tools. Based on the results of the assessments, clinicians can refer youth to behavioral health programs such as substance use disorder or other ancillary services such as educational, housing, or social services.

Today's actions request the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors to authorize two competitive solicitations for contracts to continue providing interim housing programs and regional mental health clinician services. These programs support Probation's mission of fulfilling clients' needs, using evidence-based and best practices in the continuum of care, fostering positive outcomes for Probation clients, and promoting enhanced public safety.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

1. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a competitive solicitation for interim housing services, and upon successful negotiation and determination of fair and reasonable price, award contracts for an initial term of one (1) year with up to four (4) one-year options and an additional six months if needed, subject to the availability of funds and a need for the services, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to the approval of the Chief Probation Officer.
2. In accordance with Section 401, Article XXIII of the County Administrative Code, authorize the Director, Department of Purchasing and Contracting, to issue a competitive solicitation for regional mental health clinician services, and upon successful negotiation and determination of fair and reasonable price, award contracts for an initial term of one (1) year with up to four (4) one-year options and an additional six months if needed, subject to the availability of funds and a need for the services, and to amend the contract as needed to reflect changes to services and funding, subject to the approval of the Chief Probation Officer.

## **EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's requested actions will provide services to County of San Diego Probation (Probation) clients at risk of experiencing homelessness, and or those with behavioral health conditions. Probation's Interim Housing program supports justice-involved clients' successful re-entry into the community by providing residential facilities, social benefits enrollment assistance, and assistance towards permanent housing. Probation's regional mental health clinicians support justice-involved clients and their families by providing mental health and trauma informed services.

## **SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

Today's proposed actions contributes to the County of San Diego's (County's) Sustainability Goals of improving the quality of life of clients through mental health support provided by clinicians and support equitable access to interim and permanent housing. These services will strengthen individual resiliency, promote client self-sufficiency, and improve client health and well-being. These actions will serve to strengthen the County's efforts to maximize sustainability practices and have a long-term, positive impact in the lives of justice-involved clients and the community.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact for today's request. Funds for this request are included in FY 2024-25 Operational Plan for Probation Department based on Community Corrections Sub-Account and Community Corrections Performance Incentives Act. After evaluating the proposals submitted, the County of San Diego Probation Department will return to the Board, if needed, with any recommendations for additional appropriations prior to contract award. There will be no change in net General Fund costs and no additional staff years.

## **BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

## **ACTION:**

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

AYES: Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Montgomery Steppe, Desmond

ABSENT: Vargas

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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



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