

Agenda: November 20, 2012



## ALAMEDA COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

November 7, 2012

**LADONNA HARRIS**  
Acting Chief Probation Officer

Honorable Board of Supervisors  
Administration Building  
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Board Members:

**SUBJECT: FUNDING PROBATION STAFF FROM PUBLIC SAFETY REALIGNMENT FUNDS TO SUPPORT REALIGNMENT ACTIVITIES**

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the funding of ten (10) Deputy Probation Officers (DPO) and supporting staff from the 2012-13 Public Safety Realignment Funds;

Approve and authorize the Auditor Controller to make budget adjustments as per the attached Financial Recommendation.

### **SUMMARY & DISCUSSION:**

On June 22, 2012, your board approved \$1.7 million for the Probation Department to fund up to ten Deputy Probation Officers and various support positions. These positions are required for the support of Public Safety Realignment activities.

The Public Safety Realignment Act transferred supervision of designated parolees from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to Probation. Those released from state prison, known as Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) offenders, are supervised by the Probation Department. DPOs assigned to the PRCS unit hold offenders accountable to the terms of their supervision and refer offenders to services in an effort to reduce recidivism. The offenders are supervised under a community-based supervision approach that relies on partnerships between the Department, other County agencies, and local community-based providers.

PRCS deputies are responsible for developing and executing a detailed Individual Achievement Plan (IAP) with each client on their caseload. The IAP addresses various domains of a client's potential need. DPOs focus their efforts on those areas of need which, when improved, are associated with reduced recidivism in the population. The IAP serves as the case plan for the offender and details the services and goals necessary for successful

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completion of supervision. PRCS deputies conduct regular office visits, home visits, occasional searches, and random drug testing of offenders. In order to effectively provide the intensive supervision required for the PRCS population, Probation requires ten additional DPOs and support staff to maintain effective monitoring and service provision to the population.

**FINANCING:**

Costs are to be funded out of the Realignment Implementation Funding, which comes as a direct payment from the State to the County for the purpose of funding realigned activities.

Very truly yours,



LaDonna Harris  
Acting Chief Probation Officer

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cc: County Administrator  
Auditor-Controller  
Administrative/Financial Services, Probation

**FINANCIAL RECOMMENDATION**

**AGENDA DATE:** 11/20/2012

**Subject of Board Letter:** Funding Probation Staff from Public Safety Realignment  
Funds to Support Realignment Activities

**BY:** 2013

**FUND:** 10000

The use of Designations, as follows:

NAME OF DESIGNATION	ORG	AMOUNT

The increase (decrease) in anticipated revenue, as follows:

*Informational*

ORG	ACCT	PROG	PROJ/GR	AMOUNT
310200	451135	00000	Realignment	\$1,700,000
<b>ORG TOTAL</b>				\$1,700,000

*Informational*

ORG	ACCT	PROG	PROJ/GR	AMOUNT
<b>ORG TOTAL</b>				\$0

**GRAND TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUE** \$1,700,000

The increase (decrease) in appropriations, as follows:

*Informational*

ORG	ACCT	PROG	PROJ/GR	AMOUNT
250250	600000	00000		\$1,690,948
250250	610000	00000		\$9,052
<b>ORG TOTAL</b>				\$1,700,000

*Informational*

ORG	ACCT	PROG	PROJ/GR	AMOUNT
<b>ORG TOTAL</b>				\$0

**GRAND TOTAL APPROPRIATION** \$1,700,000