



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

KEITH CARSON
SUPERVISOR, FIFTH DISTRICT

March 19, 2015

Honorable Board of Supervisors
1221 Oak St.
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Board Members:

SUBJECT: Funding Principles for AB 109 Public Safety Realignment Base Allocation

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve a designation of fifty percent of the FY 2015/2016 AB 109 Public Safety Realignment base allocation, which includes the Transition Center, Community Capacity Fund and Innovations in Re-entry Fund, for the purpose of allocation to community based organizations that work with the re-entry population; and
2. Direct the Chief Probation Officer, as the Chair of the Community Corrections Partnership-Executive Committee, to work with other affected County departments and the Community Advisory Board to develop an implementation plan and timeline for distribution of the AB 109 Public Safety Realignment community-based organization designation to be approved by the Board of Supervisors' Public Safety Committee and then the full Board of Supervisors.
3. Authorize the County Administrative Officer and the Auditor-Controller to make the appropriate adjustments to the FY2015/2016 final budget.

DISCUSSION:

It has been four years since the implementation of AB109 and Alameda County like many of the other 57 Counties across the State of California have gone through many changes as we continue to implement the spirit of AB 109.

The AB 109 legislation dictates who serves on the Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee (CCPEC) and how it operates in all 58 Counties; we in Alameda County are still settling into an operating model. Recently, Alameda County formed the Community Advisory Board (CAB), a body made up of a mix of community representatives, each member of the Board of Supervisors appoints three members to the Community Advisory Board. The CAB is designed to act as a voice for those engaged in re-entry and re-entry related work. The CAB, our Board of Supervisors, and the Public Safety Committee all have an impact on AB 109 implementation and the re-entry program for Alameda County.

There continues to be an outcry from many in Alameda County, especially those engaged in re-entry community work who would like to see a more robust and better financed program embedded in the re-

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entry/Social Justice community. To this effort, I would like to advance a proposal that beginning in the next fiscal year starting July 1, 2015, that we take 50% of the AB 109 base allocation and direct those monies towards community based organizations working with the re-entry population.

My proposal is that 50% of next year's allocation, be made available to only CBO's in the re-entry Community doing work in Alameda County. The allocation designated for CBOs would include the funding allocated for the Transition Center, Community Capacity Building Fund (CCBF), as well as funds allocated to CBOs through the Innovations in Re-Entry program.

The Chief Probation Officer, as Chair of the Community Corrections Partnership will work with other affected County departments and the Community Advisory Board to develop and implementation plan and timeline for distribution of the AB 109 Public Safety Realignment community-based organization designation to be approved by the Board of Supervisors' Public Safety Committee and then the full Board of Supervisors.

It is again, the intent of my proposal to only have community based applicants (no County nor County related Departments, joint ventures, or sub-contracts) funded with this allocation of dollars for honest community based participation.

In this current budget cycle (2014/15) monies have been allocated by many of our departments to fund community re-entry work. If my proposal is approved by the Board of Supervisors, we will have several months to work with our departments and partners to put the structure in place in order to carry out the spirit of this proposal. I also suggest that at the completion of the fiscal year, the CAB, CCPEC and Public Safety Committee review the results of these efforts to determine if there should be changes to this program.

FINANCING:

There is no increase in net county cost.

Sincerely,



Keith Carson

Alameda County Board of Supervisors

cc: Susan Muranishi, County Administrator
Steve Manning, Auditor-Controller
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Nancy O'Malley, District Attorney
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