

CITY OF SANTA ROSA  
CITY COUNCIL

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
FROM: CALUHA BARNES, DIRECTOR  
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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MOU WITH COUNTY OF SONOMA, PROBATION  
FOR EXTENSION OF THE SANTA ROSA VIOLENCE  
PREVENTION PARTNERSHIP'S GUIDING PEOPLE  
SUCCESSFULLY PROGRAM

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by the Office of Community Engagement that the Council, by resolution, approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with County of Sonoma, Probation for extension of the Santa Rosa Violence Prevention Partnership's Guiding People Successfully Program, beginning July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019, and authorize the City Manager or designee to approve and execute any amendments thereto, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Guiding People Successfully Program (GPS), administered by the Office of Community Engagement's Violence Prevention Partnership (The Partnership), provides a coordinated approach to identifying youth who are at risk of gang involvement, and connecting them to a network of services designed to identify alternatives and redirect behavior.

Initially funded by the Board of State & Community Corrections' (BSCC) from January 2015, the grant supported a Limited Term Community Outreach Specialist (Wraparound Coordinator) until the grant ended in December 2017. With support of the Measure O Citizen Oversight Committee, on August 8, 2017 the Council approved use of Measure O funds to support the position from January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018 to allow time for staff to identify an alternative funding source.

The County of Sonoma's Department of Probation has been an active member of The Partnership's Operational Team and Multi-Disciplinary Assessment and Referral Team (MDART), and experienced firsthand the value of the GPS program and have committed

to fund the current program model and staffing level for the period July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. That agreement has been formalized in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in the amount of \$187,559 that is before Council today. This MOU will provide full funding for the Wraparound Coordinator's salary and benefits, including travel and training, as well as fund the subscription cost of the Apricot data-sharing software for a 15-month term of the agreement.

This item supports City Council Goal Six, to provide for community safety, valued City services, and open government.

### BACKGROUND

The BSCC' California Gang Reduction, Intervention, and Prevention (CalGRIP) grant moved the Partnership forward by introducing an integrated Positive Youth Justice (PYJ) developmental framework called GPS. The Partnership instituted a model referred to as "wraparound" service delivery – an approach that combines case management, mental health counseling, work readiness, paid internships, as well as a multidisciplinary team approach for intense case reviews of all incoming referrals from law enforcement, school districts and community-based organizations.

The core elements of the GPS program are (1) centralized intake (2) referrals to community-based organizations, including all Measure O Community Helping Our Indispensable Children Excel (CHOICE) Grantees, who provide a variety of prevention and intervention services; (3) case management through a monthly meeting of the MDART; and (4) use of Apricot's data management system to track outcomes and facilitate shared assessments.

### PRIOR CITY COUNCIL REVIEW

Not Applicable

### ANALYSIS

The County of Sonoma's Department of Probation has executed an MOU to providing funding to the Office of Community Engagement in the amount of \$187,559, beginning July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019, based on the following budget:

- Salary and benefits for 1.0 Wraparound Coordinator - \$126,813
- Conferences and trainings - \$3,000
- Apricot user agreement - \$57,746

### FISCAL IMPACT

Execution of this Memorandum of Understanding will provide reimbursement revenue of \$187,559 to offset the cost of continuing the GPS program through September 2019.

### ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

This action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it is not a project which has a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, pursuant to CEQA Guideline section 15378.

### BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not applicable

### NOTIFICATION

Not applicable

### ATTACHMENTS

- Resolution/Exhibit A (Memorandum of Understanding Between County of Sonoma Probation Department And City of Santa Rosa Regarding Guiding People Successfully Program)

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