

# City of Carson Report to Mayor and City Council

June 4, 2013 New Business Consent

SUBJECT: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PROBATION DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY OF CARSON TO PROVIDE GANG ALTERNATIVE PREVENTION PROGRAM SERVICES FROM JULY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014

Submitted by Raymond R. Cruz

Director of Community Services

Approved by David C. Biggs

City Manager

#### I. SUMMARY

Since 1996, the City of Carson has continuously contracted with the County of Los Angeles Probation Department to provide Gang Alternative Prevention Program (GAPP) services. This program is currently funded via the Community Oriented Policing Grants (COPS) and continues to be a vital part of the City's commitment to provide exceptional law enforcement assistance throughout the community. Staff is recommending that City Council approve the annual agreement between the City and the County of Los Angeles Probation Department to continue the services of the GAPP Deputy Probation Officer (Exhibit No. 1) for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

#### II. <u>RECOMMENDATION</u>

TAKE the following actions:

- 1. APPROVE the agreement with the County of Los Angeles Probation Department to provide Gang Alternative Prevention Program (GAPP) services to the City of Carson, in the amount of \$83,500.00, from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.
- 2. AUTHORIZE the Mayor to execute the GAPP services agreement for FY 2013/14, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

#### III. <u>ALTERNATIVES</u>

- 1. DO NOT approve the agreement to provide Gang Alternative Prevention Program (GAPP) services and eliminate this service to the City of Carson.
- 2. TAKE any other action the Council deems appropriate.

#### IV. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

Since 1996, the City of Carson has contracted to provide Deputy Probation Officers (DPOs) funded via the state and federal COPS Grants. Gang Alternative Prevention Program (GAPP) services are provided by the GAPP DPO to supervise a caseload of 75 court-ordered probationers and conduct crisis counseling in



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individual and group settings with referred juveniles and parents. The DPO works closely with the Youth Services Section to provide assistance with Teen Court, the Parent Project and other Youth Services activities. The DPO has continued to network with agencies in the City of Carson and the surrounding communities to develop resources to meet the needs of at-risk youth and adults. Through these services, the City of Carson has provided a valuable resource to enhance the safety and security of the community. Staff is recommending that the contract for the GAPP DPO be renewed.

In the past, funding for GAPP services has been appropriated via the Supplemental Law Enforcement Support Fund Grant (SLESF) and the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). In 2011, due to the decreasing amounts of state and federal grant funds, the City reduced the number of DPOs from two to one. These grants continue to experience a reduction in funding, however, there are grant funds available to fund one DPO for FY 2013/14.

#### V. FISCAL IMPACT

Funds for this program are included in the proposed FY 2013/14 State and Federal COPS grants budgets.

#### VI. EXHIBITS

1. Proposed GAPP service agreement. (pgs. 3-9)

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# PROBATION DEPARTMENT



# AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE A PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION PROGRAM (PIP) (GAPP)

CITY OF CARSON

JULY 1, 2013- JUNE 30, 2014

**GAPP** 



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## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND CITY OF CARSON

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013 by and between the City of Carson, located at 701 Carson Street, Carson, California 90745, hereinafter referred to as "CITY", and the County of Los Angeles, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY", both of whom are collectively referred to as the "PARTIES".

**WHEREAS**, CITY desires to provide probation prevention/ intervention services to assist in reducing incidents of truancy and other serious behavioral problems; and

**WHEREAS**, COUNTY Probation Department has statutory authority pursuant to Section 652 of the Welfare and Institutions Code to provide certain expertise and resources in this area:

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Probation Officer has been delegated authority by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to negotiate and sign agreements to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, COUNTY desires to participate in a joint effort with the CITY;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual benefits and subject to the conditions contained herein, the PARTIES mutually agree as follows:

#### 1. PURPOSE OF THE AGREEMENT

The purpose of this Agreement is to maintain within the CITY, the services of one (1) Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) and support staff mutually agreed upon by both parties. This DPO will provide specialized probation services for CITY. Probation services shall be provided by COUNTY through this Agreement and shall be consistent with the laws of the State of California and the guidelines of the CITY.

#### 2. STATEMENT OF WORK

- A. COUNTY shall provide, on behalf of CITY, the services of one (1) DPO and related support staff with caseload court-ordered juvenile probationers who are within the community of Carson, such caseloads to conform to the standards established for the Probation Department's (Probation) Prevention and Intervention Program (PIP). These students will be mutually agreed upon by the Chief Probation Officer or his designee and the CITY. Further, the CITY will give input towards the evaluation conducted by the DPO.
- B. CITY shall provide office space and telephone services within its boundaries for use by the assigned DPO.



- C. In addition to the duties associated with caseload supervision, the assigned DPO will:
  - 1) Supervise a caseload of 75 court-ordered probationers; and
  - 2) Conduct crisis counseling in individual and group settings with referred juveniles and parents.

#### 3. EMPLOYMENT STATUS

The assigned DPO is an employee of COUNTY and is entitled to wages and employee benefits appropriate to what is provided other COUNTY employees who are DPOs. It is additionally understood that no term or condition of this Agreement can conflict with State statute defining the status of the DPO as a Peace Officer.

#### 4. PAYMENT

CITY shall reimburse COUNTY for support services and 50% of the salary and employee benefits for one (1) Deputy Probation Officer II (DPO II) and support staff assigned by COUNTY to perform services according to Paragraph 2, <u>STATEMENT OF WORK</u> above. The billable amount is \$83,500 plus any adjustments to salary, employee benefits and/or overhead rates approved by the Board of Supervisors during the fiscal year.

COUNTY shall provide DPO services commensurate with the 50% cost of services and staff being paid by CITY. CITY agrees that the DPO services provided may include 50% of all customary employee functions such as attending mandatory training, scheduled and unscheduled time-off (e.g. sick, vacation, etc.), and/or attending to other Probation-related activities that may on occasion require the DPO to be away from the service site. CITY agrees that it is responsible for the entire billable amount of this Agreement.

CITY shall reimburse COUNTY for 100% of the salary for a DPO II, paid at one and one-half time, for all time worked beyond forty (40) hours per week. It is at the discretion of the COUNTY with the agreement of the CITY whether the DPO II works in excess of forty (40) hours per week. The current overtime rate is approximately \$53.96 per hour plus any adjustments to salary, employee benefits and/or overhead rates approved by the Board of Supervisors during the fiscal year.

Within thirty (30) days following the receipt of an invoice from Probation Business Management Office, CITY shall reimburse COUNTY for the billed amount. These invoices shall be provided to CITY within twenty (20) days following: September 30, 2013, December 31, 2013, March 31, 2014, and, June 30, 2014.



#### 5. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

This Agreement is by and between COUNTY and CITY and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association as between COUNTY and CITY. The COUNTY'S relationship to the CITY in the performance of this Agreement is that of an independent contractor. The COUNTY'S personnel performing services under this Agreement shall at all times be under the COUNTY'S exclusive direction and control and shall be employees of the COUNTY and not employees of the CITY. COUNTY shall pay all wages, salaries, worker's compensation, and other amounts due its employees in connection with this Agreement and shall be responsible for all reports and obligations respecting them.

#### 6. <u>INDEMNIFICATION</u>

CITY shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless COUNTY, and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with CITY'S acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.

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#### 7. LIMITATION OF COUNTY'S OBLIGATION DUE TO NON-APPROPRIATION

COUNTY'S obligation for its percentage of salary and employee benefits costs is payable only and solely from funds appropriated for the purpose of this Agreement subject to COUNTY'S legislative appropriation for this purpose. In the event the Board of Supervisors does not allocate sufficient funds then the affected services shall be terminated. COUNTY shall notify CITY in writing of such non-allocation at the earliest possible date.

#### 8. BUDGET REDUCTIONS

In the event that COUNTY'S Board of Supervisors adopts in any Fiscal Year a COUNTY Budget which provides for reductions in the salaries and benefits paid to the majority of COUNTY employees and imposes similar reductions with respect to COUNTY contracts, COUNTY reserves the right to reduce its services obligation correspondingly for that Fiscal Year and any subsequent Fiscal Year services. COUNTY'S notice to CITY regarding said reduction in obligation shall be provided within thirty (30) days of the Board of Supervisors approval of such actions.



#### 9. TERMINATION AND TERMINATION COSTS

In the event that CITY or COUNTY withdraws its participation in the project described in this Agreement, such withdrawal shall be preceded by thirty (30) days' written notice to the other party. Notwithstanding, CITY or COUNTY may terminate this Agreement upon the termination, suspension, discontinuation or substantial reduction in CITY or COUNTY funding for the Agreement activity. In such event, COUNTY shall be compensated for all services rendered and all necessary incurred costs performed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, which have not been previously reimbursed up to the date of said termination. Payment shall be made only upon the filing with CITY, by COUNTY, vouchers evidencing the time expended and said costs incurred. Said vouchers must be filed with CITY within thirty (30) days of said termination.

#### 10. TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION

COUNTY may, by written notice to CITY, immediately terminate the right of the CITY to proceed under this Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given by the COUNTY, either directly or through an intermediary, with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the amendment or extension of the Agreement or making of any determinations with respect to the COUNTY'S performance pursuant to the Agreement. In the event of such termination, COUNTY shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against the CITY as it could pursue in the event of default by the CITY.

CITY shall immediately report any attempt by a COUNTY officer or employee to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the COUNTY manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the COUNTY Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

#### 11. TERM

This Agreement shall be for a period of twelve (12) months commencing on July 1, 2013 and terminating on June 30, 2014.

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**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the County of Los Angeles and CITY have caused this Contract to be executed on their behalf by their authorized representatives, the day, month and year first above written. The person signing on behalf of CITY warrants that he or she is authorized to bind the CITY, and attest under penalty of perjury to the truth and authenticity of representations made and documents submitted and incorporated as part of this Contract.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES PROBATION DEPARTMENT

BY:			
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