MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 86-120

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY The Mariposa County Board of Supervisors to certify the Work Furlough/Crime Prevention Program and the Crisis Program deemed to be viable for the County of Mariposa for fiscal year 1986-87.

FURTHER RESOLVED that such programs are certified under the premise that funding will continue through the State of California for administrative costs, and that the County of Mariposa will spend those funds for the purposes set forth in section 1806(a) of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 15th day of April, 1986, by the following vote:

AYES: Barrick, Radanovich, Dalton, Taber, Erickson

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAINED: None

BEVERLY BARRICK, Chairperson
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

GERALD MCCARTHY

GERALD MCCARTHY, County Clerk and Ex Officio Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFFREY G. GREEN
County Counsel
MARIPOSA COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

DIVERSION/YOUTH CRISIS PROGRAM

FY 1986-87 CJSSP PROPOSAL
OVERVIEW

The Youth Crisis Program has operated under the auspices of the Mariposa County Probation Department since July of 1984. It is administered by the Chief Probation Officer with crisis intervention services provided by a Youth Crisis Worker. The independent contract of the Youth Crisis Worker is paid by State grant monies. This program is specifically designed to assist law enforcement, school officials, and social service agencies in addressing the difficulties presented by predelinquent youth in crisis.

In its present form, the Youth Crisis Program has concentrated its efforts on runaways, incorrigible and minors beyond parental control. In the past 18 months, approximately 85 juveniles have been diverted from the formal court process through the Youth Crisis Program. Thus, these youths have not incurred a juvenile record and Mariposa County has been spared the expense of processing them through the Juvenile Court System.

Given the success of the Youth Crisis Program in terms of services to county residents and cost savings to Mariposa County, it is believed that the program should be expanded to include juvenile delinquent and adult offender diversion components. The expanded program would be known as the Mariposa County Probation Department Diversion and Youth Crisis Program. The following is a brief outline of the proposed program.
PROGRAM ELEMENT DESCRIPTION

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Prevent crime and delinquency by persons who are not wards of the juvenile Court or under court ordered probation supervision or serving a sentence as a result of a conviction in a court of criminal jurisdiction, and to provide outreach services to non-status youths in crisis.

NEEDS STATEMENT

The need for youth crisis intervention, crisis prevention, and thereby delinquency prevention services has been recognized and funded with State grant monies since July of 1984. To date, approximately 85 youth and their families have received services through the Youth Crisis Program. Typically, these youth are experiencing emotional, acting out, or otherwise anti-social behavior, but have not committed a criminal offense.

Recently, the Board of Supervisors, in concurrence with the Chief Probation Officer, have acknowledged the need to expand prevention services to certain first time juvenile offenders and adults eligible for diversion from the court process. Currently, many first time juvenile offenders are reprimanded by the Probation Officer and the matter dismissed without any ongoing monitoring of the minors' behavior and/or life situation. There was a total of 82 such reprimands in 1984 and 1985. In a large percentage of 82 situations, the minors should have been placed in a diversion program. However, such an approach could not be implemented given the department's
staffing level. In addition, a total of eight adult offenders were diverted from the criminal court process in 1985. The Probation Department was ordered to monitor their progress on diversion and to advise the court concerning any breach of the conditions of diversion. Unfortunately, the Probation Department has been unable to adequately perform that duty given the present staffing level.

TARGET GROUP

A) Predelinquent youth in crisis.
B) Juvenile status offenders.
C) First time delinquent or situational juvenile offenders.
D) Adult offenders eligible for diversion from the court process.

PROGRAM DESIGN

A) The extension of immediate intervention services to predelinquent youth in crisis.
B) The extension of direct casework services to status offenders diverted from the County Juvenile Justice process.
C) The extension direct casework services to first time offenders diverted from the County Juvenile Justice process.
D) Monitoring of adult offenders diverted from the criminal justice process pursuant to Penal Code Section 1000.

NOTE: The program design would provide much greater accountability for those juvenile offenders previously given reprimands and those adults diverted from the criminal justice process. It also provides maximum utilization of State grant funds provided to the county.
STAFFING/DUTIES

Changes in program design would require that the current Youth Crisis Worker position assume Deputy Probation Officer status. He would then be totally responsible for components A through D of the program design. In order to maintain 24 hour Youth Crisis Intervention Services, the Probation Officer designated as "on call" for criminal offenses would respond to all status offenders and youth crisis situations occurring beyond normal working hours.

Examples of the duties of this position would include the following:

- Maintain all existing pre-crisis and crisis intervention counseling and outreach services.

- Provide followup, counseling services to those youth in need of informal probation services who were previously given reprimands.

- Monitor compliance to a program of education, treatment, and rehabilitation in certain adult cases eligible for diversion from criminal court proceedings pursuant to Penal Code Section 1000.

EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

Appropriate records will be maintained by the program coordinator for evaluation and research purposes. The goal of the Youth Crisis/Diversion Program is to prevent/divert "at risk" youth from entering the formal juvenile justice system and monitor those adults diverted from the criminal justice system pursuant to P.C. 1000.
SUMMARY

The Mariposa County Probation Diversion and Youth Crisis Program would operate under the auspices of the Mariposa County Probation Department. Supervision of personnel involved in this program will be provided exclusively by the Chief Probation Officer of Mariposa County.

The Mariposa County Board of Supervisors has endorsed this proposal and has agreed to provide the necessary funds to certify this position, if State funds are secured to pay the salary. If the proposal is funded, a qualified Deputy Probation Officer will be hired to operate exclusively within the proposed program elements.

The provision of the specific services outlined in this proposal are unattainable without the acquisition of the State grant monies for which we are applying. The Mariposa County Probation Diversion and Youth Crisis Program is meant to enhance current delinquency prevention services to the citizens of Mariposa County and represents maximum utilization of State grant monies available to the county.
REQUESTED BUDGET

DIVERSION/YOUTH CRISIS PROGRAM FUNDING IN FY 1986-87

Services (7-1-86 to 8-31-86)
  Diversion/Crisis Services  $3,000*

Salary (9-1-86 to 6-30-87)
  Deputy Probation Officer  14,950**
  COLA Projection (.03 X 14950)  448.50

$18,398.50

*Program services will be provided by an independent contractor during July and August, 1986, as the new Deputy Probation Officer position can not be filled until the adoption of the final County budget on 8-26-86.

**Employee benefits included in county's insurance budget – Approximately 32% of gross salaries.
1986 - 1987

WORK FURLough/CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM

MARIPOSA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
STATUS REPORT
WORK FURLOUGH/CRIME & DELINQUENCY PREVENTION PROGRAM
COUNTY JUSTICE SYSTEM SUBVENTION PROGRAM

The Work Furlough and Crime Prevention Program that is funded through CJSSP Grant allocations has been in effect in Mariposa County since 1978. The program, 100% State funded and administered by the Sheriff's Department, has progressed considerably since its inception. The growth in population and resultant factors have necessitated yearly updating and revisions to meet these growth demands. The program has progressed very satisfactorily over the years and is still progressing.

The Work Furlough portion of the program has become a viable force in enabling participants to re-enter the mainstream of the community as acceptable members of our society. The average percentage of participants who meet the guidelines and successfully completed the program is 74%. Of persons approved for work furlough, 63% had no prior employment. With assistance from the program supervisor, they were able to learn employee/employer relationships, which for many has enabled them to maintain their jobs upon completion of their offender time. This, and other supervised learning techniques, has assisted in relieving the tax burden to the county. A percentage of participant wages are paid for program administrative costs. These monies are placed back into the County General Fund.

The goal of work furlough is to enable those offenders to remain financially solvent and emotionally capable to help provide income for themselves and their families and contribute to restitution for their offense. The participant success rate up to this time is 86%. This is attributed to on-going counseling, reaffirming their confidence, and extensive background investigation to ascertain direction for the offender. With these elements in force we feel confident that the person placed in a work furlough program is better able to rejoin our community when their sentence is complete.

The Crime and Delinquency Prevention Program has also proved to be a viable force and deterrent to both adult and juvenile criminal activity throughout the county. Many prevention programs have been introduced to aid the general public in awareness measures for their personal and public safety. These have been effective with both
juveniles and adults. These include pro-active programs such as the personal fingerprints for children, abuse of children awareness, Operation ID, home security, and Business and Neighborhood Watch Programs. Crime prevention articles can be placed in the local news media that deal with many different subjects which inform the public and make them more aware of methods to recognize potential burglaries and what can be done to prevent them; drug problems: how to recognize them and methods to deter events leading to the abuse; strong emphasis on shoplifting and other crimes usually associated with juveniles.

The Neighborhood Watch Programs recently implemented throughout the county have been well-received and effective. With the vast geographical outlay of the county, citizen awareness and prevention programs are proving of great value in both the deterence of illegal activities, as well as assisting in the recovery and apprehension of criminals.
WORK FURLOUGH & EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR

Program Category Number  Two
Total No. of Elements   One

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PROGRAM ELEMENT DESCRIPTION

NEED STATEMENT: On January 1, 1978, the Work Furlough and Educational Furlough Program was implemented under AB90. Since the program has been in operation, the percentage of the offenders on this program meeting guideline approval is 65%. As the county's growth is on the increase, we are receiving more requests from the offenders requesting to be put on the Work Furlough or Educational Furlough Programs. The courts are also recommending at the time of sentencing that inmates be placed on these programs.

Since the implementation of AB90, the Work Furlough and Educational Furlough Supervisor has been dealing with citizens, employers, teachers, and students on a daily basis. The citizens of Mariposa County have shown an interest in the Sheriff's Office providing public education and information regarding crime and delinquency prevention.

Due to budget constraints and the impact of Proposition 13, the Mariposa County Sheriff's Office would lack the resources to properly operate the Work Furlough and Educational Furlough Program. Also, the department has lacked funding and personnel to provide citizens with education and information regarding crime and delinquency prevention.

OVERVIEW: Mariposa County has established a Work/Educational Furlough and Crime and Delinquency Prevention Supervisor position to administer, coordinate, and supervise the Work Furlough and Crime Prevention Program. The goals and objectives of the Work Furlough, Education, and Crime Prevention Programs are that the unit will be comprised of a Work Furlough, Education, and Crime and Delinquency Prevention Supervisor who will report directly to the Sheriff.
INTENDED RESULTS: The Work Furlough and Educational Program is designed to make sentenced inmates more responsible citizens and ensure their success in the program. A resultant impact of the program should result in a successful integration of the inmate into the community. It is anticipated that there will be at least a 60% success rate of inmates assigned to the Work Furlough and Educational Program. In the 1986-87 fiscal year it is anticipated that there will be approximately 25 inmates involved in the program. The Crime and Delinquency Prevention Program will make the citizens more aware of how they can help prevent crime and be more aware of what is happening around them. The result of this program will be the decrease in juvenile and adult crime in the community.

EVALUATION METHODOLOGY: The Supervisor of the Work Furlough, Educational, and Crime Prevention Program will maintain appropriate records for evaluation and research purposes. Data collected will include age, ethnicity, charge for which the inmate is serving time, guidance to the citizens, etc. The Supervisor of the program will furnish the Sheriff with all the data. It is requested that the California Youth Authority will assess the evaluation components of this program.

DUTIES: The following describe typical duties of the Work Furlough, Educational, and Crime Prevention Supervisor:

A. Provide the Work Furlough Application to the requestor, making sure it is understood and filled out properly.

B. Contact the employer to verify employment, hours, and days off.

C. Verify transportation arrangements for the inmate to and from the County Jail.

D. After the applicant has been granted Work Furlough, the Supervisor must make regular checks to verify that the subject is abiding by the Work Furlough regulations.

E. There is a fee of $5 per day that the Work Furlough Inmate must pay to the County. It is the administrator's duty to set up a payment plan and see that regular payments are made and paid over to the county's General Fund for the purpose of administrative costs. The funds will not be comingled, nor will AB90 funds be used to supplant County funds.

F. The Supervisor or the Sheriff's designate must be present either when the subject leaves for work or returns from work in order to check for contraband and provide counseling.

G. Under the educational duties, the supervisor must arrange for a program through the school that fits the particular inmate's needs. He must see to it that the inmate receives the proper books and supplies required to complete the assigned program.
H. The Supervisor's duties would include transporting prisoners between the law library and the County Jail as required by the Penal Code.

I. To speak to juveniles in the classrooms regarding prevention of crime and what happens to people who break the law, different types of drugs and their effect, etc.

J. To counsel citizens on how to prevent criminals from breaking into their homes, cars, etc. Also, being more aware of what is happening around them and be more familiar with the kinds of drugs their children might have access to and the effects.
PROPOSED 1986-87 SHERIFF'S WORK FURLOUGH CJSSP BUDGET

1. SALARY & BENEFITS
   A. Salary & Wages
      1. Supervisor $1875 x 12 $22,500.00
      *Projected COLA (86-87) 787.50
      $23,287.50
      *County Cost Portion Benefits (At 32%) 7,452.00
      *County Cost Portion Uniforms 400.00
      SUBTOTAL $31,139.50

2. SERVICES & SUPPLIES
   A. Office/Printed Materials 95.00

3. TRAVEL/TRAINING -0-

TOTAL $31,234.50

*ONLY projection of Mariposa County COLA and Benefits costs portion from CJSSP funding allocation 100% funded grant.

Projection must be used for projected budget until actual cost of living and benefits are known for fiscal year 1986-87.

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