MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 85-109

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 1985-86.

FURTHER RESOLVED that such programs are certified under the premise that funding will continue through the State of California for administrative costs.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors this 23rd day of April, 1985, by the following vote:

AYES: BARRICK, DALTON, ERICKSON, RADANOVICH, TABER

NOES: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

ABSTAINED: NONE

EUGENE P. DALTON, JR., Chairman
Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

GERALD MC CARTHY, County Clerk and
Ex Officio Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFFREY G. GREEN
County Counsel
1985-1986

WORK FURLough/CRIME PREVENTION
PROGRAM

MARIPOSA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
STATUS REPORT

WORK FURLough/Crime & Delinquency Program

COUNTY JUSTICE SYSTEM ADVISORY GROUP

March 12, 1985

The Work/Education Furlough and Crime and Delinquency Prevention Program has been funded by AB90 since 1978 here in Mariposa County. The program has progressed very satisfactorily through the years.

The Work/Education portion has become a viable force in assisting participants to regain an acceptable status back into the mainstream of the community. Of offenders meeting the program guidelines, the average percentage of participants successfully completing the program is 85%. As the county grows the requests increase weekly from offenders asking to apply for the program.

Of the persons on Work Furlough, 65% went into a work program who had no prior employment. It was acquired for them by Work Furlough supervision to relieve the tax burden to the county. Participants pay a percentage of their wages back for the administrative costs, which goes back into the County General Fund. By finding these people employment while serving their time, they are able to help provide financially for themselves and their families, plus contributing while incarcerated in restitution for their offenses. Approximately one-third of the Work Furloughers were able to be placed back in prior employment to keep themselves financially solvent and emotionally strong by the reassurance that they can still help provide income, have a personal self-reliance, and also contribute to restitution for their offenses. Our participant success rate up to this time is 85%. We attribute this to extensive background investigation, on-going counseling, and reaffirming their confidence. With these elements in force, we feel that they will be able to fit back in the mainstream of our society when their time is done.

Our Crime and Delinquency Program is developing very successfully to this point. We have daily radio community service announcements in regard to aiding the general public in prevention and awareness of various aspects of public safety and crime prevention measure for adults and juveniles.

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With population on the rise in our county, we are working even more closely with our Juvenile Awareness Officer and Probation Department Crisis Programs to curb the rising juvenile crimes that are becoming more prevalent each week. We have a regular, weekly, five-minute community awareness program on our local radio station and another on the local Cable TV outlet. The program content deals with different subjects to inform the public and make them more aware of such things as recognizing potential burglaries and ways to prevent them from occurring; drug abuse, what it is, how to recognize and deter the events leading to it; ways to assist and hopefully put a stop to the abuse cycle; ways to deter juvenile crimes such as shoplifting, malicious mischief, vandalism, and burglaries; and other topics relating to criminal activities in our county. We have weekly Crime Prevention reports on similar information and educational subjects printed in the local newspaper. We have an on-going program of life safety protection programs such as First Aid and C.P.R. We have found our efforts in these public safety programs to be of special interest to all who have taken the courses, both young and old alike.

Within the geographical confines of our county, we have numerous small "rural communities" where we work with different groups in these areas to make them more aware of ways to help prevent crime and delinquency in their locales.

In the area of Crime and Delinquency Prevention we work to coordinate numerous programs with other county and state agencies to work in conjunction on preventative awareness talks, programs, etc., to impart information to both adults and juveniles. These awareness programs have proven highly successful in disseminating information toward detering crime.
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 1985-86 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.

**EVAUATION 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, make 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 each 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 of 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.
ESTIMATED 1985-1986 SHERIFF'S WF/CP CJSSP BUDGET

1. A. SALARY AND WAGES

   1. Supervisor
      *Projected COLA (at 5%)  
      $1,811 \times 12  
      $21,732.00  
      $90.55 \times 12  
      1,086.00  
      \hline
      \textbf{$22,818.60}$

      *County Cost Portion Benefits
      Uniform Allowance
      7,301.95
      400.00
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      \textbf{$30,520.55$}

2. SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

   A. TRAVEL/TRAINING

   1. Per Diem, Public Transportation, Vehicle Operation
      $1,000.00
      \hline
      $31,520.55

*Projection of County COLA and county portion of benefit costs, which must be used for a guideline only until actual COLA and county benefits are known for fiscal year 1985-1986.
MARIPOSA COUNTY

YOUTH CRISIS PROGRAM

FY 1985 - 86 CJSSP PROPOSAL
OVERVIEW

The Youth Crisis Program operates under the auspices of the Mariposa County Probation Department. It is administered by the Chief Probation Officer while crisis intervention and clinical services are provided by a "Youth Crisis Worker", an M.S.W. on contract with the county via subvention funds. As evidenced by statistics and evaluation, the program has, in the first seven months of its existence in the current form, diverted approximately forty (40) juveniles from the formal criminal justice system. Thus, these forty youth have not incurred a juvenile record, and the county has been spared the expense of having had to facilitate that process. In addition, many other community members such as natural parents, foster parents, and various agencies have benefited from the program as evidenced in the body of this proposal. The success of the program to-date is attributed to the design of the program, the services it has to offer, and to the effectiveness and expertise of personnel.

Our proposal addresses the program in its entirety and provides data to justify its various components. We seek funding for the fiscal year 1985-86.

STATEMENT OF NEED AND GOALS

The need for youth crisis intervention, crisis prevention, and thereby delinquency prevention services to the populous of Mariposa County was
ascertained via discussions with law enforcement, mental health, school, and welfare authorities. This need was then addressed by the Board via fiscal allocations for 1984 - 85. Since that time, the fact that approximately forty (40) youth have been diverted from the formal system as a result of program design and professional clinical intervention indicates that addressing the need, has, in reality, occurred. Each month for the past seven months a fairly consistent number of youth and their families have come to the attention of this program, youth whose need(s) might have been addressed in the past via the formal system at considerable expense to the taxpayer, personal expense to the youth and their families, and/or the need may have not, in the past, been addressed at all and might thereby have potentiated a more serious future delinquency.

This program's focus is upon youth who are not currently a part of any formal juvenile system, and they are, for the most part, youth who are not currently in treatment with county mental health services. They are, therefore, a unique population, and one goal of the Youth Crisis Program is to keep these youth from becoming 1) "out-of-parental control" or "incorrigible" (601 status) or from becoming 2) adjudicated "delinquent" and/or formal wards of the Court (602 status).

A second goal of this program is to assist other agencies in their work with troubled youth. By the very nature of crisis contacts, the Youth Crisis Worker has been able to identify and to intervene in potential "300 cases" with children who are in danger of being abused, abandoned, or neglected. In
addition, although the Youth Crisis Worker has been able to provide short term intensive clinical intervention of a brief and crisis oriented nature, the program has been able to identify and refer youth and families assessed to be in need of longer term therapy.

A third program goal involves the provision of shelter care for juveniles in need of temporary lodging and is discussed under the "Services Provided" section.

Therefore, and in summary, the need has been acknowledged and the program's inception has identified an "at risk" population. Furthermore, statistics and evaluation have indicated that a sizable number of youth have been diverted from the formal system, have been the recipients of short term intensive intervention, and/or may have been referred for longer term therapy.

STAFFING

The Chief Probation Officer as Program Administrator and an M.S.W. (Master's level Social Worker) as the Youth Crisis Worker comprise the staff. The latter contracts with the county, is paid via state subvention funds, and reports directly to the Chief Probation Officer.

Rationale and justification for the M.S.W. staff person has to do with the versatility of the degree which in turn broadens and enhances the scope of the program. Services offered to the client flow with maximum continuity as
crisis intervention work may include clinical intervention of a professional nature. The client can utilize help offered through several modalities, and experiences less fragmentation and disruption of treatment. Thus, efficiency and quality are built into the program.

And lastly, whereas not staff per se, licensed Marinosa County foster parents are utilized to provide short term (not more than twenty days) crisis beds to troubled youth in need of placement following a crisis or to alleviate a crisis.

SERVICES PROVIDED

1) Pre-crisis and crisis intervention services on a 24-hour basis:
   a) A 24-hour "hot line" for kids, parents, concerned relatives, neighbors or community members;
   b) Immediate availability to community agencies to accept referrals.

The Youth Crisis Worker is available at all hours and operates via a beeper system when out of immediate phone contact. The worker may be reached through the Probation Department by day, and by calling the Sheriff's Office after five and on weekends. In addition, for those who wish to avoid contact through a formal agency, the Youth Crisis Counselor's home phone is made available for direct dial.

2) An out-reach program involving direct contact with clients in their homes and/or in the school; many counseling sessions are held in family homes, and a crisis may be resolved there as well. In addition, the Youth Crisis Worker is available to the schools on an "on call" basis, and approximately
two days per week are spent on-site at Spring Hill High School.

3) Direct clinical services which include individual, family, group, and telephone therapy: the Youth Crisis Worker will work intensively, on a volunteer basis, with an individual or family for approximately six to eight weeks (if assessed necessary and/or requested), and an adolescent support group meets weekly. Provision is being made for "collateral therapy" which would involve group work with any two individuals involved in a crisis (i.e., a mother and daughter, a father and son, etc.).

4) Prevention and community education services: the Youth Crisis Worker is available for speaking engagements and/or for In-Service training to agencies, churches and groups in the community; also, the worker will coordinate with schools and is available to provide an educative component to youth and to staff upon request.

5) Active follow-up of every call received, and of every completed intervention.

6) Recruitment, maintenance, and utilization of a network of crisis placement foster homes for youth in serious individual or family conflict or dysfunction: i.e., runaways, suicidal ideation, relationship problems. Recruitment has and will continue to involve the seeking out, from within the community, individuals/couples who have the ability and desire to house youth in crisis, the orientation and training of crisis foster parents, and support and guidance of youth, foster parents, and natural parents during an actual placement.

7) Program Evaluation: methods of measurement are built into the program's operational scheme to provide continuous monitoring of effectiveness in
terms of those criteria. In addition, provision is made for periodic reassessment using data derived from agencies, data derived from population at risk, and data derived from the community.

EVALUATION METHODOLOGY

As the ultimate goal of the Youth Crisis Program is to prevent/divert at risk youth from entering the formal Juvenile Justice system, the program's success is evaluated based on its ability to accomplish that goal.

STATISTICAL DATA

During the first seven months of operation, the following statistics have been accrued for the Youth Crisis Program:

There have been forty-four formal Intakes, only four of which have necessitated involvement by the formal system. Statistically, this indicates that approximately nine percent of the youth who become involved with the program needed attention from the formal system, or, in other words, the program to-date has had a 91% success rate.

In addition to the forty-four formal Intakes, the following additional information is provided:

252  phone calls received
290  phone calls made
268  personal contacts
163 subsequent client contacts
165 Collateral contacts
107 letters written
8 formal reports
6 informal contracts
2 newspaper articles
3 speaking engagements

In regard to providing shelter care to youth in serious crisis, the program has been able to extend 177 days of crisis placement to ten (10) youth over the past 7½ months. The average length of stay per placement has been approximately thirteen (13) days; four youth have been placed more than one time.

SUMMARY

Mariposa County populous have been provided a high quality service via State subvention funds, and no youth and/or family in crisis residing here need "fall between the cracks" or have crisis needs that are unaddressed. Furthermore, the Youth Crisis Worker serves as a "gatekeeper" of youth becoming immediately aware of psychological and sociological trends in the community affecting youth and affected by youth. The Youth Crisis Worker as Independent Contractor, while directly accountable to the Probation Department, is able to work closely with all agencies in the community in the area of youth crisis, primarily as it applies to the prevention of juvenile delinquency. The very nature of the position enables various problem areas to be identified, addressed and/or referred for appropriate action. And ultimately, this program diverts youth from the formal system, thereby alleviating much personal cost
to recipients of service and monetary cost to the taxpayer and to the county and it addresses the problem of juvenile delinquency in this community.
YOUTH CRISIS PROGRAM

BUDGET REQUEST

025-100-2-161  Crisis Intervention Services  Staffing Costs  $18,000

TOTAL BUDGET REQUEST  $18,000

See Attachment 'A'
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The Youth Crisis Program will require additional funding from the county. First, it is anticipated that the number of crisis placement days for FY 1985-86 will total 200 days. Insufficient funds exist in the C.J.S.S.P. grant to cover this expense. Thus, county funding of $2,614.00 is requested to meet this need (200 x $13.07/day). Secondly, the county will need to fund the office supplies, communications, and transportation expenses involved with the program. In terms of office supplies the estimated annual expense will be $300 ($25/mo.). The communication costs should total $840 ($70/mo.). This figure includes approximated $50/month in toll calls and a $20/month paging service fee. Transportation costs are estimated at $750 (just over $60/mo.), excluding vehicle maintenance.

It is pointed out that the only new expense to Mariposa County involves the funding of crisis placement costs, as all the other categories mentioned above were funded through the Probation Department's budget in FY 1984-85. Also, in terms of accounting it is suggested that all these requested supplemental funds be included in the Probation Department's budget. Such an approach will facilitate an accurate and trouble-free audit trail.