RESOLUTION - ACTION REQUESTED 2021-235

MEETING:    April 27, 2021

TO:        The Board of Supervisors

FROM:        Pete Judy, Chief Probation Officer

RE:        Accept Recommendations of Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Regarding Plan and Budget for SB 823

RECOMMENDATION AND JUSTIFICATION:
Accept Recommendations of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Sub-Committee (JCCSC) Regarding the SB 823 Local Plan and Budget For Local Justice Involved Youth as a Result of the pending closure of the California Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ).

BACKGROUND AND HISTORY OF BOARD ACTIONS:
SB 823 directs the closure of DJJ effective July 1, 2021. DJJ is reserved for the most serious and violent offenders within the juvenile justice system who are committed to the State for rehabilitation services and programs. Typically youth committed to DJJ spend several years in custody due to the severity of their offenses and behavioral health needs. SB 823 shifts the responsibility of providing DJJ type custodial and rehabilitative services of these youth to the county of commitment. SB 823 allocates funding to counties based on their average rate of commitment. Mariposa County will receive the minimum allocation of $250,000 per year.

Mariposa County has not committed a youth to DJJ in over 10 years as historically our youth involved in the justice system are not serious or violent offenders needing long term custodial programs and services. However, there is now way to predict when and if we will need DJJ type programs in the future.

As required by SB 823 the Mariposa County JCCSC has met and their first year plan and budget recommendations are attached. Membership of said group is also provided in the report.

In summary the report recommends creating a SB 823 Budget in the Probation Department and allocating funds across several line items. The funds would then be available if a DJJ type youth enters juvenile system in the 2021-22 budget years. If not then fund balance would roll over into our plan for 2022-23. By the 2022-23 budget cycle many of the issues regarding what programs and services counties will
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offer for contract counties like ours will be known and a more comprehensive plan can be explored. Having a sufficient fund balance ultimately will be beneficial should Mariposa County need one or more long term rehabilitative beds in the future.

Historically the Board of Supervisors has relied heavily on recommendations made by the professionals and community members who work with youth in our community to make decisions regarding services provided in the juvenile justice system.

ALTERNATIVES AND CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION:
The Board can refuse the recommendations and give further direction regarding alternatives to explore.

ATTACHMENTS:
SB 823 recommended plan 2021-22  (PDF)

RESULT:        ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:         Wayne Forsythe, District IV Supervisor
SECONDER:      Miles Menetrey, District V Supervisor
AYES:          Smallcombe, Sweeney, Long, Forsythe, Menetrey
Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant
Annual Plan

Date: 3/30/2021

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Background and Instructions:

Welfare & Institutions Code Section(s) 1990-1995 establish the Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant program for the purpose of providing county-based care, custody, and supervision of youth who are realigned from the state Division of Juvenile Justice or who would otherwise be eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Justice prior to its closure.

To be eligible for funding allocations associated with this grant program, counties shall create a subcommittee of the multiagency juvenile justice coordinating council to develop a plan describing the facilities, programs, placements, services, supervision and reentry strategies that are needed to provide appropriate rehabilitative services for realigned youth.

County plans are to be submitted and revised in accordance with WIC 1995, and may be posted, as submitted, to the Office of Youth and Community Restoration website.
### Part 1: Subcommittee Composition (WIC 1995 (b))
List the subcommittee members, agency affiliation where applicable, and contact information:

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**Additional Subcommittee Participants**


Part 2: Target Population (WIC 1995 (C) (1) )
Briefly describe the County's realignment target population supported by the block grant:

Targeted population would be serious juvenile offenders requiring longer term treatment and custodial care.

Demographics of identified target population, including anticipated numbers of youth served, disaggregated by factors including age, gender, race or ethnicity, and offense/offense history:

We have not had a juvenile offender in over 12 years that has fit the criterion for a Department of Juvenile Justice Commitment. We anticipate we will continue to be a low need user of long term care services. There is no record of a female juvenile offender from Mariposa ever being sent to a long term commitment facility operated by the State.

Mariposa County will continue to contract with Tuolumne County Juvenile Detention Facility for most of our lower level rehabilitation services and programs. Should a more serious offender enter the local justice system that facility would be used while the youth goes through the court process. Depending on the gravity and circumstance of the offense it may be necessary to contract with another county providing specialized detention programming. What programs and services that other counties may offer is at this time still being developed.
Part 3: Budget Discussion:

Mariposa County will receive the SB823 Block Grant minimum of $250,000 per year. It is the recommendation of the Mariposa County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Subcommittee that a budget unit be created in the Probation Department and that the funds are allocated in case there is a need for support and care of a youth needing a long term rehabilitation program during fiscal year 2021-22.