



# San Bernardino County

## Legislation Text

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**File #: 6144, Agenda Item #: 44**

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**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

**June 14, 2022**

**FROM**

**TRACY REECE, Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department**

**SUBJECT**

Contracts for Providing Housing Services to Adult Offenders

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

Approve contracts with the following 17 agencies to provide housing services to adult offenders for a total aggregate amount of \$16,000,000 for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027:

1. A1 Living, Inc.
2. Avector Community Group Inc.
3. Citadel Community Development Corporation
4. Family Assistance Program
5. Hope Homes LLC
6. Inland Empire Community Outreach Center
7. Inland Empire Rebound
8. Inland Valley Recovery Services
9. Integrated Transitional Resources
10. Mary's Mercy Center, Inc.
11. Molding Hearts.Org
12. Optima Transitional, Inc.
13. Restoration House of Refuge, Inc.
14. Social Science Services, Inc. dba Cedar House Life Change Center
15. Victor Valley Family Resource Center
16. VARP, Inc.
17. You Go International Network, Inc. dba House of Redemption

(Presenter: Tracy Reece, Chief Probation Officer, 387-5692)

**COUNTY AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER GOALS & OBJECTIVES**

**Create, Maintain and Grow Jobs and Economic Value in the County.**

**Provide for the Safety, Health and Social Service Needs of County Residents.**

**Pursue County Goals and Objectives by Working with Other Agencies and Stakeholders.**

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

Approval of this item will not result in the use of additional Discretionary General Funding (Net County Cost). Costs for the provision of housing services to adult offenders over the five-year period will be fully funded by State Realignment funding received under Assembly Bill (AB) 109. Adequate appropriation and revenue has

been included in the Probation Department's (Department) 2022-23 budget and will be included in future recommended budgets.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

On April 4, 2011, the Governor of California signed AB 109, the Public Safety Realignment Act (Realignment). The bill created a provision for the adjudication of parole violations at the local level, rather than returning these offenders to the state prison system. Essentially, Realignment displaced responsibility for supervision of these offenders from the state to the local level.

Parolees are titled "Post Release Community Supervision" or PRCS offenders, after their current offense is determined to be non-serious, non-violent, and nonsex related. Realignment dictates that these individuals be released for supervision to the local county where they were originally sentenced. The legislation also requires that best practices be utilized for treatment and rehabilitation.

Since 2013, the County has been contracting with vendors to provide housing services to adult offenders under supervision of the Department. Approval of this item would establish new contracts for housing services and allow these contractors to provide service for a five-year period effective July 1, 2022. These contracts may be terminated by either party upon 30 days' written notice.

The Department is demonstrating its commitment to continue to provide housing services to adult offenders having a need for this assistance. The recommended contracts will enhance the number of housing opportunities to the reentry population with overnight emergency housing and transitional housing assistance during their grants of supervision, and will allow these clients to stabilize, receive resources, and eventually exit transitional housing and remain law abiding. Providing these services helps offenders reintegrate into the community with the objective of reducing recidivism.

### **PROCUREMENT**

The Department released a Request for Proposals (RFP PROB22-PROB-4436) on January 14, 2022, to solicit proposals from interested and qualified agencies to provide housing services to adult offenders for a five-year period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027. The RFP was publicly advertised through direct mailings to 78 housing providers, community-based organizations, and other interested parties, and posted on the County Electronic Procurement Network (ePro).

Fifteen proposals were received by the established deadline. Of the 15 proposals, 14 met the minimum requirements by an initial evaluation. Based on the initial evaluation results, one agency (Irene Homes LLC) was denied because the facility was located outside of the County. The remaining 14 agencies are being recommended for contract. No written protests were received.

The Department released a second Request for Proposals (RFP PROB22-PROB-4490) on March 15, 2022, to solicit proposals from interested and qualified agencies to provide housing services to adult offenders specifically located in the West-End of the County for a five-year period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2027. The RFP was publicly advertised through direct mailings to 78 housing providers, community-based organizations, and other interested parties, and posted on the County Electronic Procurement Network (ePro).

Three proposals were received by the established deadline. All three proposals met the minimum requirements by an initial evaluation. Based on the initial evaluation results, all three agencies are being recommended for contract. No written protests were received.

### **REVIEW BY OTHERS**

This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Jamie Ryan, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5455) on April 29, 2022; Purchasing Department (Peter Geriguais, Buyer II, 387-2573) on May 18, 2022; Finance (Kathleen Gonzalez, Administrative Analyst III, 387-5285) on May 20, 2022; and County Finance and Administration

(Robert Saldana, Deputy Executive Officer, 387-5423) on May 26, 2022.