



NEVADA COUNTY

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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: April 23, 2024
TO: Board of Supervisors
FROM: Jeff Goldman
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SUBJECT: Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the personal services contract between the County of Nevada and SCRAM of California, Inc. to increase the maximum amount of the contract to \$70,000 for fiscal year FY 2023-2024 and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the amendment.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the Resolution.

FUNDING: Contract in the original amount of \$40,000 and contract amendment in the amount of \$30,000, for a total of \$70,000 in fiscal year 2023-2024, is 100% funded by the Pretrial MOU with the Superior Court. No general funds are required.

BACKGROUND:

In July of 2023, the average daily participant number of clients on either electronic monitoring or continuous alcohol monitoring through SCRAM was 9. The daily average grew steadily over the course of the fiscal year at a rate of 1.6 per month. The daily monitoring fee for EM is \$4.40/day and CAM is \$7.50/day. Given the rate at which the program (mostly CAM) was being ordered for pretrial clients by the Court, the originally budgeted amount of \$40,000 was only enough to fund 275 days, or 9 months of operation. There are currently 21 open cases with SCRAM participants. Additionally, it is estimated that around 10 more clients will be placed on SCRAM before the end of the fiscal year.

The use of SCRAM Continuous Alcohol Monitoring program is a productive alternative to incarceration and adheres to our County's plan regarding use of sanctions and evidence-based practices to supervise, improve services and reduce recidivism. SCRAM automatically tests for alcohol consumption every 30 minutes around the clock by measuring any ethanol through a person's vaporous perspiration. The use of SCRAM monitoring allows for instant accountability and detection for clients with alcohol related substance use disorders and has helped pretrial officers better monitor clients in the communities of Truckee and Nevada City.

Respectfully submitted,

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Item Initiated by: Angelina Coffey, Administrative Services Officer

Approved by: Jeff Goldman, Chief Probation Officer

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