



NEVADA COUNTY

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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: August 12, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Jeff Goldman
Probation Department

SUBJECT: Resolution approving Amendment No. 1 to the Professional Services Agreement between the County of Nevada and County of Sonoma to house youth from Nevada County in Sonoma's youth facility in the amount not to exceed \$56,500 for the term July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute the Amendment.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the resolution.

FUNDING: Under this amendment, the cost of housing youth dispositioned to a state level of care at the Sonoma County Juvenile Hall will go to \$390 per day, per youth, for the contract term. Costs will only be incurred if youth are placed, and currently we have no youth who meet the criteria of this program. Under SB823, funding has been made available specifically to house and provide services to these youth. The funding is restricted, and if not needed for placements, may be used for programming and interventions for this population of youth. All expenses will be paid by Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (SB 823) funds. No general funds are required.

BACKGROUND:

In 2020 SB 823 announced the closure of the State Division of Juvenile Justice, realigning the care of certain youth from state institutions to the care of counties. On May 14, 2021, the Governor signed SB 92, creating a "Secure Youth Treatment Facilities" track for youth found to have committed serious offenses. These youth must be housed at facilities that provide a "state" level of commitment, which is a level of care that wasn't available at the Nevada County Juvenile Hall prior to closure, and isn't currently available at the Placer County Juvenile Hall. Nevada County doesn't have any youth in placement who need this level of care, and hasn't for some time. However, we must have an option available should such a case arise. Per Resolution 24-486, Nevada County Probation entered into an Agreement with Sonoma County Juvenile Hall allowing Nevada County youth who otherwise would have been placed at state institutions to be placed in the Sonoma County Juvenile Hall. Per Section 2.1 of this Agreement, prior to each fiscal year, Sonoma County will provide an updated daily bed rate in the form on an amended Agreement. This year's bed rate is \$390 per day.

SB 823 established a Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant and the funding associated was granted to counties, beginning July 2021, provided a plan was submitted. The plan was developed by a collaborative body

chaired by the Chief Probation Officer, and comprised of a representative from the Court, District Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, Social Services, Mental Health, County Office of Education (or school districts), and at least three community members who have experience as a community-based youth services provider, justice advocate, or directly involved in the system. The plan described the facilities, programs, placements, services, supervision, and re-entry strategies that are needed to provide appropriate rehabilitation. Given Nevada County no longer has a youth detention facility, the committee agreed to contract with another county for this housing requirement. After researching programs, Sonoma County's program most closely aligned with the values of Nevada County and the needs of our youth. This funding will be utilized to pay for any youth sent to Sonoma County Juvenile Hall under this amended Agreement.

Item Initiated by: Angelina Coffey, Administrative Services Officer
Approved by: Jeff Goldman, Chief Probation Officer