

**COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO
CALIFORNIA**

For the Agenda of:
February 7, 2023

To: Board of Supervisors

Through: Ann Edwards, County Executive
Eric Jones, Deputy County Executive
Public Safety and Justice

From: Jim Cooper, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office

Subject: Authorization To Execute An Agreement With Leaders In
Community Alternatives, Inc For Inmate Reentry Services
In The Amount Of \$3,220,200 For The Period Of March 1,
2023, Through June 30, 2026

District(s): All

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the Sheriff, or his designee, to execute an agreement with Leaders in Community Alternatives, Inc. (LCA) in the amount of \$3,220,200 for inmate reentry services for the period of March 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026, with the option to renew for two one-year periods for a total of five years and four months, including any necessary changes, modifications, or monetary amendments not to exceed the lesser of ten percent of the annual contract amount or twenty-five thousand dollars.

BACKGROUND

The Sacramento Sheriff's Office (SSO) Reentry Services Unit provides in-custody and post-release rehabilitation for male and female offenders at the Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center (RCCC) and the Sacramento County Main Jail (Main Jail). Reentry Services implements an innovative approach to rehabilitation by providing evidence-based treatment and educational and vocational programs to the justice-involved population. The program aims to ensure a successful transition from incarceration to the community by providing effective programming to participants applicable to a carefully constructed reentry plan based on assessed criminogenic needs.

The Reentry Services program is designed to assist participants through the entire reintegration process. Services are provided utilizing intensive reentry planning coupled with evidence-based treatment groups and

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followed by the delivery of broad-based aftercare services available to participants for up to one-year post-release.

Reentry Services is a multidisciplinary team consisting of SSO personnel, Reentry Specialists employed by a contracted community resource provider, and independent contractors. Reentry Services understands the importance of collaboration in successful offender rehabilitation and works with community providers to offer the best direct services available to its participants.

On January 14, 2020, the Board authorized the SSO to execute an agreement with Wellspace Health (Wellspace) for inmate reentry services (Resolution No. 2020-0031). This agreement expires on February 28, 2023.

To ensure a fair and competitive bidding process for continued services, the SSO posted Request for Proposal (RFP) 2022-RFP-0105 for offender reentry services to include case management and group facilitation via the OpenGov.com website on September 19, 2022. The SSO received three proposals; Wellspace notified the SSO of their intention to not reply to the RFP and to discontinue services following the end of their current contract.

In accordance with the criteria stated in the RFP, an evaluation committee scored the proposals based on the description of the vendor's services, experience, customer references, financial viability, and cost. Upon review, the evaluation committee scored the proposals as follows:

Rank	Vendor	RFP Score (Max 100)
1	Leaders in Community Alternatives, Inc.	90
2	WestCare California, Inc.	76.33
3	Mary Magdalene Community Services	66.33

The LCA was selected as the successful bidder to provide the specialized reentry services required by the offender population. Per RFP 2022-RFP-0105, the proposed contract term for this award is five years, which includes an initial three-year and four-month term with an option to renew for up to two additional one-year terms. All evaluation committee members and the contract signatory read and documented their understanding of and

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compliance with the County Procurement Code of Ethics. All required forms are in the RFP/contract file.

LCA currently has agreements with Sacramento County Probation to provide similar services, allowing additional benefits and continuity for participating offenders as they reenter the community.

Approval of this agreement will allow for the continuation of valuable services to offenders incarcerated and participating in the Reentry Services program at RCCC and the Main Jail.

71-J ANALYSIS

Section 71-J of the County Charter is not applicable, as employees of Sacramento County do not provide similar services.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

This agreement will not increase net County costs. This agreement in the amount of \$3,220,200 is funded through the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment grant, the Inmate Welfare Fund, and AB109 realignment funding. Funding for this agreement has been included in the SSO Fiscal Year 2022-23 Adopted Budget.

Attachments:

RES – Resolution

ATT 1 – AGR Leaders in Community Alternatives 2023-26