

**MEMORANDUM
PROBATION DEPARTMENT
COUNTY OF PLACER**

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Marshall Hopper, Chief Probation Officer *MH FOR*

DATE: June 18, 2013

SUBJECT: **Approve and sign the attached renewal contract for bed space rental with the County of Yuba for court ordered placement of juvenile wards at the Maxine Singer Youth Guidance Center on a space available basis from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2016, in an amount not to exceed \$3,700 per bed per month.**

ACTION REQUESTED

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BACKGROUND

The Placer County Probation Department has historically used a variety of facilities to meet the placement needs of the juvenile wards of this County. One of the resources used is Yuba County's Maxine Singer Youth Guidance Center. The Singer Facility offers a boot camp/ranch type program unavailable within Placer County. The use of this facility allows the Probation Department to attempt rehabilitation of minors with parental/guardian involvement whenever possible. The Probation Department has maintained a contract with Yuba County for this service since 2004. It is the intent of this Department to continue a contractual relationship with Yuba County that permits Placer County to use Yuba County's facility on a space available basis (\$3,700 per bed per month a 5.7% increase over our prior contract) when requested by Placer County. During the current fiscal year, Probation has spent approximately \$15,000 per month on bed space at this facility. At the proposed rate of \$3700 per bed per month, an increase from the previous rate of \$3500 per bed per month, the department expects our average monthly expense to increase to \$15,600 per month (based on an average of three minors per month housed with Yuba County). This would be used as one of several facilities in which Placer might place at risk minors (This currently includes facilities in Humboldt, El Dorado and Del Norte counties).

The signing of the contract does not obligate Placer County to place minors with Yuba County.

FISCAL IMPACT

The placement of a minor into the Yuba County facility is at the discretion of the Court and once ordered, the Probation Department is bound to act accordingly. The Probation Department proposes using State Youthful Offender Block Grant funds budgeted for in the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2013-14, under the Support and Care of Minors, to cover the cost of these Court ordered placements. There is no local or General Fund impact related to this contract.

The contract is on file with the Clerk of the Board for your review.

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