



**MEMORANDUM
PROBATION**
County of Placer

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors **DATE:** June 21, 2022
FROM: Marshall Hopper, Chief Probation Officer
BY: Chris Artim, Administrative and Fiscal Operations Manager
SUBJECT: Status Update on the Placer Re-Entry Program (PREP)

ACTION REQUESTED

Receive a presentation on the completion of six years of service provided at the Placer Re-Entry Program (PREP).

BACKGROUND

In January of 2013, your Board commissioned The Criminal Justice System Master Plan which subsequently identified the absence of re-entry services as a significant system and services gap in Placer County. Your Board took early action on this recommendation in 2014 and authorized the Probation department to develop a re-entry center at the Santucci Justice Center. On January 6, 2015, your Board authorized the Placer County Facility Services Department to proceed with tenant improvements to vacant office space in Building B at the Santucci Justice complex. Your Board approved a contract with the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) in the amount of \$1,314,603 for a period of sixteen months in February of 2015.

The Probation Department has worked with the SCOE in providing evidence-based intervention services and in working with offenders, both in and out of custody, on changing their criminal thinking and behavior. These interventions include cognitive behavioral thinking classes, substance abuse education, treatment referrals, job training opportunities, employment placement, education preparation, life skills, and anger management along with relational and family skill development.

These services were initially planned to be deployed at 3 sites: In-custody services at the South Placer Adult Correctional Facility and Auburn Adult Correctional Facility; and at the PREP (Placer Re-Entry Program) Center in the Santucci Justice complex for offenders leaving custody serving the remainder of their sentences on Probation supervision. The PREP Center site was to also ultimately provide re-entry services to offenders in the Tahoe region via Skype or other electronic communication services.

Since your approval of funding in February of 2015, Probation has worked with SCOE to maximize services while minimizing expenses. Today, Probation via SCOE provides services to offenders in the Tahoe Basin at its offices in Tahoe Vista both in person and via

teleconferencing. Through a partnership with CDCR, we have also been able to open a facility in Auburn to provide the same services as those offered in Roseville.

We have further expanded to include services to youth in the last year. These services are being conducted for those housed at the Juvenile Detention Facility, as well as for youth within our community. Probation, along with SCOE, has entered a partnership with Nevada County Probation for these youth services. This partnership allows further expansion of services without significant increases in costs.

These partnerships have resulted in cost sharing agreements allowing Placer County Probation, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, and Nevada County Probation to share the costs of SCOE services between the three agencies. The Probation Department spent just over \$2 million over the last three years (through FY22) with SCOE for the Placer Re-Entry Program (PREP) for offender re-entry services in three locations (Roseville, Auburn, and Tahoe) and including services to those in-custody, as well as youth. The initial budget, if followed, would have allowed for over \$3 million dollars in expenditures solely for the Roseville location during this same period.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this item. This is a status update on previously allocated CC18001, Probation funds.

ATTACHMENTS

None.