

CITY OF OAKLAND

AGENDA REPORT

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
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To: Office of the City Administrator
Attn: Deborah Edgerly
From: Police Department
Date: June 27, 2006

Re: **A Report and Proposed Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator on Behalf of the City of Oakland to Accept and Appropriate Grant Funds in an Amount Not to Exceed Twenty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-Three Dollars (\$23,753) from the State of California, Corrections Standard Authority, Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) Program, and Authorizing a Funding Agreement in an Amount Not to Exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) with the Donald P. McCullum Youth Court for Continued Program Implementation of the Oakland Youth Court, Interface Project, and Appropriate Said Funds to the Police Department**

SUMMARY

A resolution has been prepared authorizing the City Administrator, on behalf of the City of Oakland, to accept and appropriate grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$23,753 from the State of California, Corrections Standard Authority, Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) Program, and authorizing a Funding Agreement with the Donald P. McCullum Youth Court in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for continued program implementation of the Oakland Youth Court, Interface Project.

FISCAL IMPACT

It is anticipated that the State of California, Corrections Standard Authority, will approve the Police Department's Oakland Youth Court, Interface Project application and award the City of Oakland \$23,753 in state grant funds. Revenues and appropriations will be allocated in the State of California, Corrections Standard Authority Grant fund: 2152; Campus Life and School Safety (CLASS) Org.: 105530; Special Operations Program: PS13, in a Project Account to be determined. The program will be managed by the CLASS Section Commander, and the program liquidation period is 90 days following the program end date. The funding agency requires a minimum ten percent (10%) in-kind match component. Matching funds/services shall be provided by the Donald P. McCullum Youth Court. Proposed expense allocations are as follows:

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Description and Use of Funds	Amount
Donald P. McCullum Youth Court (Funding Agreement)	\$20,000
Contract Assessment Fee (3%)	600
Office Supplies and Duplicating Costs	1,128
Overtime for Administrative/ Accountancy Personnel	1,720
Central Services Overhead (17.77%)	305
Subtotal	23,753
Matching MYC Funds	28,500
TOTAL	\$52,253

BACKGROUND

For the sixth year consecutive year, the Police Department is sponsoring the Donald P. McCullum (MYC) Youth Court program. MYC's mission is to change young lives and impact communities by providing empowering opportunities for youth through collaborative peer justice; with the aim of increasing the well-being and sense of self-efficacy of youth who are at risk of entering the juvenile justice system.

The Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) program is designed to promote greater accountability among those juveniles involved in the juvenile justice system by providing financial and programmatic support to improve juvenile justice system infrastructure and operations at the State and local levels. The Police Department works with MYC to hold juvenile offenders accountable for their criminal actions using a peer driven adjudication process whereby youth attorneys prosecute and defend youth clients, and youth juries sentence offenders. *The binding sentences are rehabilitative and restorative.* After completing their sentence, youth then have the opportunity to volunteer as jurors and attorneys, with potential eligibility for additional training, paid internships, and participation as positive role models for other youth. By diverting these youth, providing support services, and re-integrating them as program volunteers, MYC helps youth to redefine themselves in the legal system and their community.

KEY ISSUES AND IMPACTS

The Interface Project represents MYC's efforts to amplify and fortify key elements of the Youth Court as part of the Oakland Police Department's Delinquency Prevention Plan (DPP). In its DPP, the Department established a set of needs, goals, and strategies with which MYC goals and strategies mesh. These goals and associated strategies include:

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1. Targeted delinquency prevention and diversion services directed toward youths at highest risk for delinquency and psychosocial programs that serve high-risk youths.
2. Coordination of juvenile crime delinquency prevention efforts to ensure that agencies and partners serve targeted populations to prevent juveniles from committing repeated acts of delinquency or becoming chronic offenders.
3. Increase in the effectiveness and efficiency of delinquency prevention programs to ensure that program success is proportional to program costs, and that program measurements include reliable, valid and consistent data.
4. The establishment of programs which provide young people with emotionally and physically safe environments, opportunities to build healthy, positive relationships with adults and peers, meaningful leadership roles, opportunities for community involvement, and the chance to build practical life skills.

Core Program Components

The Interface Project is comprised of three core program components:

- **Apprentice Program:** Providing experiential learning and leadership development for youth offenders.

The Apprentice Program serves as least 20 youth offenders, ages 14-17+, by targeting the youths when they tend to be most open to new experiences, and when there is an incentive to participate as a community service option towards sentence completion.

- **Novice Program:** Broadening MYC's programmatic continuum to better serve youth.

The Novice Program serves 200 middle school students each year, including at least 15 who will become Novices in the Youth Law Program. Similar to the Apprentice Program, the Novice Program provides youth offenders with a means to fulfill mandatory community service hours towards sentence completion, while simultaneously transitioning into a youth development program while they still have support of MYC peers, a case manager, and other various services.

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- **Law and Justice Leadership Program:** Expanding MYC's formal youth leadership structure.

A third component of the Interface Project is the planned increase in leadership opportunities. The Law and Justice Summer Institute, offered as an overnight college campus experience, involves leadership training and advance skill building workshops.

Additional services to be provided by MYC throughout the program term include:

- Youth referred by the Oakland Police Department will have hearings at MYC.
- 100% of participating offenders and their families will receive appropriate referrals to counseling, prevention, and treatment services.
- All offenders will participate in a mandatory conflict resolution workshop, with 100% of the youth entering the program participating in gender-specific programming.
- 90% of all youth will complete their sentences, resulting in an estimated total of 3,000 annual hours of community service.
- 80% of offender parents/primary caregivers will complete a mandatory, three-part program (Parent Education Workshop), where parents are involved in the complete sentencing process, including evaluation and referral services when appropriate).
- Oakland youths will participate in the Court as volunteer attorneys and jurors.

SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

Economic

MYC is located in Oakland, providing services to clients from Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda. Ten Oakland youth will be provided paid internships. Regular staff positions adhere to the provisions of Oakland's Living Wage Ordinance.

Environmental

MYC sentences some youth to community service projects as part of the adjudication process. The primary focus of the community service projects is the promotion of community and environmental awareness. Many projects offer environmental opportunities, such as clean-up projects at Sausal Creek, growing vegetables at the Community Garden at Lakeside Park for donation to local food banks, and participating in workday clean-up projects in various Oakland neighborhoods. Participating youth learn to respect their surroundings while making measurable improvements in the quality of their own environments.

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Social Equity

Using an extensive network of community organizations, MYC provides enhanced services for Oakland youth aged 9-17+ in the following areas: Physical and emotional safety, relationship building, youth participation, community involvement, and skill building. MYC also operates law clubs on Oakland high school campuses, further extending the benefits of the program to high-risk students who have not entered the juvenile justice system as first-time offenders.


DISABILITY AND SENIOR CITIZEN ACCESS

MYC provides outreach and services to a diverse youth population. MYC administrative offices, the pre-hearing room at OPD, and courtrooms at the Alameda County administration building are all wheelchair accessible. No senior citizen access issues are noted.

RECOMMENDATION

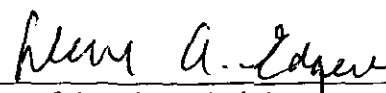
The Oakland Police Department recommends that the City Council authorize the City Administrator to accept and appropriate the grant in an amount not to exceed \$23,753 from the State of California, Corrections Standard Authority, and authorize a Funding Agreement in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 with the Donald P. McCullum Youth Court for implementation of the Oakland Youth Court, Interface Project.

Respectfully submitted,


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APPROVED AND FORWARDED TO THE
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:


Office of the City Administrator

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

City Attorney

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
OAKLAND**RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.**

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE GRANT FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$23,753) FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CORRECTIONS STANDARD AUTHORITY, JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY BLOCK GRANT (JABG) PROGRAM, AND AUTHORIZING A FUNDING AGREEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000) WITH THE DONALD P. MCCULLM YOUTH COURT FOR CONTINUED PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION OF THE OAKLAND YOUTH COURT, INTERFACE PROJECT, AND APPROPRIATE SAID FUNDS TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the Police Department will receive grant funds totaling up to \$23,753 from the State of California, Corrections Standard Authority, for the Police Department's Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) program for the implementation of the Oakland Youth Court, Interface Project, administered by the Donald P. McCullum Youth Court (MYC); and

WHEREAS, the Department desires to enter into a Funding Agreement with MYC for an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for the implementation of the Interface project, to be funded by the grant; and

WHEREAS, MYC will provide the cash match required by the grantor, in the amount of twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars (\$28,500); and

WHEREAS, the services provided pursuant to the agreement with MYC authorized hereunder are of a professional, scientific or technical nature and are temporary in nature; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the agreement with MYC shall not result in a loss of employment or salary by any person having permanent status in the competitive service; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously authorized acceptance of similar grant funds by Resolution No. 76588 C.M.S. dated July 17, 2001, Resolution No. 77357 C.M.S. dated July 30, 2002, Resolution No. 78135 C.M.S. dated October 21, 2003, Resolution No. 78723 C.M.S. dated July 20, 2004, and Resolution No. 79346 C.M.S. dated July 19, 2005; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator or her designee to accept and appropriate a grant in an amount not to exceed \$23,753 from the State of California, Corrections Standard Authority. Revenues and appropriation shall be allocated to the State of California, Corrections Standard Authority Grant Fund: 2152, Campus Life and School Safety (CLASS) Org.: 105530; Special Operations Program: PS13, in a Project Account to be determined; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator or her designee is hereby authorized to enter into a Funding Agreement with MYC in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for the implementation of the Oakland Youth Court, Interface Project, to be funded by the grant, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That grant funds received for the Oakland Youth Court, Interface Project shall not be used to supplant expenditures controlled by the City of Oakland; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby appoints the City Administrator as agent of the City to conduct all negotiations, applications, agreements, and related actions which may be necessary for the completion of the aforementioned grant and professional services agreements; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the City Administrator is authorized to modify, extend, or amend said agreement, provided that no additional funds will be allocated without prior City Council approval; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Attorney shall review and approve said agreement with MYC as to form and legality and a copy of the fully executed agreement shall be placed on file with the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, _____, 20_____

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE

NOES-

ABSENT-

ABSTENTION-

ATTEST: _____
LaTonda Simmons
City Clerk and Clerk of the
Council of the City of Oakland, California