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NATHAN FLETCHER

CHAIR

**SUPERVISOR, FOURTH DISTRICT
SAN DIEGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: February 23, 2021

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TO: Board of Supervisors

SUBJECT

BOARD CONFERENCE: FUTURE OF PROBATION (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

The San Diego County Probation Department is committed to reducing recidivism and protecting community safety. Changes to the criminal and juvenile justice systems at the state and national level provide an opportunity to enhance and improve the way that adults, youth, and their families are supported and served by our Probation Department. Through the expanded use of evidence-based practices and a focus on meeting the needs of each individual our system can better support clients to achieve positive outcomes and increase overall community safety.

Today's Board Conference will present an overview of successful evidence-based practices nationwide and in California, existing juvenile and adult department action plans and proposed new direction for practices in the San Diego County Probation Department.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

CHAIR NATHAN FLETCHER

1. Receive information presented in the Board Conference: Future of Probation.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT

N/A

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BACKGROUND

The San Diego County Probation Department is committed to reducing recidivism and protecting community safety. It is led by a Chief Probation Officer that oversees 1,000 sworn officers and professional staff that work in one of two divisions: Adult Reintegration and Community Supervision and Youth Development and Community Services.

Collectively, probation officers supervise approximately 9,500 adults and 800 juveniles in the community and approximately 170 youth residing in one of three juvenile facilities. Probation officers also provide judges in Criminal Court and Juvenile Court with vital background information to help them issue appropriate sentences and interventions.

The Probation Department has the opportunity to build on current practices and harness recent changes to criminal and juvenile justice systems at the state and national level to enhance and improve the way that adults, youth, and their families are supported and served. The continued use of evidence-based practices and a focus on addressing the needs of supervised individuals can both increase community safety and help youth and adult clients achieve better outcomes.

The Board Conference will feature leading practitioners in youth and adult probation services who will share their experiences and knowledge of successful evidence-based practices.

Presenters will include:

- David Muhammad, National Director of Justice Programs at the National Council on Crime and Delinquency
- Clinton Lacy, Director of the District of Columbia Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services
- Vincent Schiraldi, Senior Research Scientist at Columbia University
- Tommie Baines, Director at Los Angeles County Probation
- Scott Huizar, Executive Deputy Chief Youth Development and Community Support Services, San Diego County Probation Department
- Marc Regier, Chief of Contracts and Programs, San Diego County Probation Department
- Sandra McBrayer, CEO of the Children's Initiative
- Cesar Escuro, Executive Deputy Chief Adult Integration and Community Supervision Services, San Diego County Probation Department

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These national and state experts, along with leaders in the San Diego County Probation Department, will review recent and upcoming changes in state law which provide opportunities to improve services and outcomes. The San Diego County Probation Department will also present on current local needs, department action plans, including a new proposed direction for the department, which will inform future decisions of our Board, including selection of a new Chief Probation Officer.

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

This request supports the Living Safely Initiative of the County of San Diego's 2021-2026 Strategic Plan by helping to make San Diego the safest urban county in the nation through intensive supervision and linkage to treatment services for individuals on probation.

Respectfully submitted,

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NATHAN FLETCHER
Supervisor, Fourth District

ATTACHMENT(S)
N/A

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AGENDA ITEM INFORMATION SHEET

REQUIRES FOUR VOTES: Yes No

WRITTEN DISCLOSURE PER COUNTY CHARTER SECTION 1000.1 REQUIRED

Yes No

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOARD ACTIONS:

N/A

BOARD POLICIES APPLICABLE:

N/A

BOARD POLICY STATEMENTS:

N/A

MANDATORY COMPLIANCE:

N/A

ORACLE AWARD NUMBER(S) AND CONTRACT AND/OR REQUISITION NUMBER(S):

N/A

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