

Staff Report

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM: Kerri Curtiss, Trial Court Administrator

DATE: April 6, 2016

RE: Request to apply for 2016-2017 Community Corrections Program

BACKGROUND

This program has secured funding through the State of Michigan since 1990. The funds are provided pursuant to Public Act 511 of 1988. Current programs include Men's Cognitive change, Women in Recovery, Mental Health (LifePlans), 5 days of Housing for eligible offenders and Drunk Driver Jail Reduction program as well as a portion of Joe Caleca's salary. The purpose of the programs is to reduce jail/prison populations and enhance public safety through different types of programming.

ALTERNATIVES

The alternative would be to cut the program completely or for the county to fund it in its entirety.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

If approval to apply for the grant is authorized and ultimately awarded, the court could continue to offer programs such as those outlined above. In addition, a portion of the wages for Joe Caleca would be covered by grant funding.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the court received \$119,812 in funding. We anticipate a similar request for the 2016-2017 year.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the board authorize the court to apply for the 2016-2017 Community Corrections program grant funding.