

Memo



To: Personnel and Finance Committee
From: John Bauman, Juvenile Court Administrator
CC:
Date: October 25, 2019
Re: Juvenile Court Program budget memo

There are few changes requested to the department's budget for 2020. Of those changes, there are a couple areas that I can highlight that will address equity and sustainability.

Sustainability-In the capital budget, we are proposing to purchase a hybrid vehicle for our third Home Detention Program staff. There are already two hybrid cars for the program and the fuel savings have been beneficial. The third staff currently uses her personal vehicle and is getting mileage reimbursed. Her vehicle gets half of the 42 MPG that a hybrid will yield. Staff drive throughout the county for most of the work week visiting youth.

Equity-PP&J-C-01 sponsored by Supervisor Danner proposes to replace various gym equipment in Juvenile Detention. The new equipment will allow better access to cardio exercise opportunities for youth who are in detention. The majority of this population are youth of color, so providing improved equipment will allow for healthier youth.

Although not in the 2020 budget, planning has continued for the future Secure Residential Care Center expansion as a corrections alternative. This will bring youth who are placed in a correctional environment back to their community and closer to family. The vast majority of this population are youth of color and there will be many positive effects related to equity when this occurs. This would impact the 2021 budget process.

Thank you for your continued support and please let me know if there are any questions.