AGENDA STAFF REPORT

Control: 26001782

MEETING DATE:	11/17/2026
LEGAL ENTITY TAKING ACTION:	Board of Supervisors
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISTRICT(S):	District 2
SUBMITTING AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:	Probation
DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSON(S):	Daniel Hernandez, 714-645-7001 Jessica Johnson, 714-645-7004

SUBJECT: Approve Vocational Contract with North Orange County Regional Occupation

CEO CONCUR	**COUNTY COUNSEL REVIEW**	**CLERK OF THE BOARD**
Concur	Approve agreement to form	DISCUSSION 3 Votes Board Majority
Budgeted: Yes	**Current Year Cost:** $247,909	**Annual Cost:** FY 2027-28 $298,193 FY 2028-29 $266,741 FY 2029-30 $89,811
Staffing Impact: No **Current Fiscal Year Revenue:** N/A **Levine Act Review Completed?** Yes **Prior Board Action:** N/A	**Funding Source:** GF: 41%, State 59% (DJJ Realignment JJBRG)	**Sole Source:** No **County Audit in Last 3 years:** No

RECOMMENDED ACTION(S):
Authorize the County Procurement Officer or Deputized designee to execute contract with North Orange County Regional Occupational Program for Construction Technology Vocational Services, effective upon all signatures, for three calendar years, in an amount not to exceed $902,654 renewable for two additional one-year terms.

SUMMARY:
Approval of the North Orange County Regional Occupational Program contract will provide construction technology vocational training, vocational counseling to assist with continuance of vocational training, transportation to on-site training/instruction and employment opportunities, e.g. internships or apprenticeships, and assistance with financial aid applications to eligible youth supervised by the Orange County Probation Department.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
Senate Bill (SB) 823 (2020), also known as the "Juvenile Justice Realignment Bill" was signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom on September 30, 2020. This legislation mandated the phased closure of California's Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) and transferred to counties, the responsibility over custody, treatment, and supervision of youth adjudicated for serious and/or violent offenses under Welfare and Institutions Code § (WIC) 707(b).

On February 25, 2021, the Orange County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (OCJJCC) approved changes to its bylaws to include the creation of the OCJJCC's SB 823 Subcommittee, which was tasked with drafting a plan to address the needs of youth within the target population. On May 27, 2022, the OCJJCC approved the initial Juvenile Justice Realignment Plan (Plan) created by the SB 823 Subcommittee to provide rehabilitative housing, re-entry services and supervision support, including post-secondary and career technical education for the target population. The approved plan included an evaluation component to measure the effectiveness of SB 823 programs and services. The county's plan was reviewed, updated and approved by the OCCJCC's SB 823 Subcommittee on July 24, 2025.

In support of the Plan, on February 11, 2025, the Orange County Probation Department (Probation) released a Request for Proposals (RFP) via the County of Orange's (County) online bidding system for Vocational Services including potential programs such as Construction Technology Services, for youth under Probation supervision. Probation's intent for this RFP was to serve a large population with multiple programs. Seven proposals were received by the deadline on March 31, 2025. Three respondents did not move on to the interview due to low scores on the written evaluation; only four respondents were fully scored by the evaluation panel.

An evaluation panel consisting of five subject matter experts rated the proposals in accordance with the criteria outlined below.

Evaluation Criteria (Written)	**Maximum Points**
Knowledge and Experience	90
Staffing	120
Service Delivery	160
Service Cost	100
Compliance with the Model Contract	25
Outcomes	105
Maximum Written Points	**600**
Evaluation Criteria (Interview)	**Maximum Points**
Experience	80
Re-entry	80
Implementation Strategy	80
Staffing Plan	80
Short-Term Stays	80
Maximum Interview Points	**400**
Total Maximum Points	**1000 Points**

The table below shows the four respondents who completed both phases of the evaluation, and their final scores with the highest and lowest scores removed.

Respondent	Total Score
North Orange County Regional Occupational Program	2820
Coastline Regional Occupational Program (Coastline)	2610
Human Works Foundation	2365
PMR Associates	2155

The Orange County Preference Policy (OCPP) was applicable and incorporated into the solicitation. One of the three Respondents that did not move forward to the interview phase was an OCPP qualified Respondent. See Attachment C for the list of Respondents and the evaluation panel scores.

The panel's evaluation resulted in the North Orange County Regional Occupational Program (NOCROP) receiving the highest score, with a final score of 2820. Coastline received the second highest score from the panel, with a final score of 2610. An Intent to Award letter, naming both NOCROP and Coastline, was posted on July 11, 2025, and no protests were received. The Board approved a contract with Coastline for Medical Billing and Culinary Arts Vocational Programs in May 2026.

Probation is requesting approval from the Orange County Board of Supervisors (Board) for this contract 16 months after the intent to award was issued due to extended contract negotiations between Probation and NOCROP. The procurement process for the recommended contract was initiated and completed in accordance with the requirements of the 2024 Contract Policy Manual (CPM), including evaluation, selection and contract negotiations. Since the procurement process was substantially completed prior to adoption of the revised requirements, approval of the negotiated contracts will allow Probation to proceed without reinitiating the solicitation process while remaining consistent with the intent of the 2026 CPM.

Probation staff have conducted due diligence on the Respondent. Reference checks were satisfactory and completed with the Anaheim and Placentia-Yorba Linda school districts, and the Western States Regional Council of Carpenters Union. NOCROP currently provides vocational programs and college preparation courses to each of these organizations.

Scope of Services

The program goals are to strengthen youth skills in construction technology, tool identification and use of Occupational Safety Health and Administration (OSHA) standards, workplace behaviors and assist the youth in obtaining a construction vocational certificate or degree. Qualification for a certificate will be based on industry standards or approved course description. NOCROP will provide three cohorts per year, with each lasting 16 weeks, for a total of 160 hours of instruction per cohort and assist youth with completing Federal Student Aid forms and identifying industry employment opportunities. See Attachment D for program objectives and outcomes.

In person, on-site instruction will be provided at the locations listed below. Online courses can also be conducted on a limited basis, only when permitted by the County. If any of these spaces should become unavailable due to facility reconstruction or reorganization, Probation will execute a contract amendment with NOCROP identifying suitable facilities; chosen at Probation's discretion.

Juvenile Hall	331 The City Drive Orange, CA 92868
Youth Guidance Center	3030 N. Hesperian Way Santa Ana, CA 92706
Youth Leadership Academy	3155 W. Steiner Way Orange, CA 92868

The Respondent will also provide a vocational counselor to work directly with each youth to help create a road map of classes and/or training that each youth should complete to fulfill individual goals. These counselors will be made available prior to a youth's release and upon release to assist with continuance of their vocational training and employment opportunities such as apprenticeships.

Other youth who are not WIC § 707(b) offenders but are under the supervision of, or housed by Probation, may also be eligible for the services described in this scope of work. Probation, in its sole discretion, will determine the population to be served by this agreement.

Probation now requests Board authorization to execute a contract for three calendar years with NOCROP for construction vocational services, effective upon all signatures, in an amount not to exceed $902,654, renewable for two additional one-year periods.

Probation has verified there are no concerns that must be addressed with respect to the Respondent's ownership/name, litigation status or conflicts with County interests. This contract does not currently include subcontractors or pass through other contractors. See Attachment B for Contract Summary Form. An analysis was completed to verify the contract provides the County with persons specially trained, experienced, expert and competent to perform the special services in accordance with the law.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
Appropriations for this Contract have been included in Budget Control 057 FY 2026-27 Budget and will be included in the budgeting process for future years. The Contract includes provisions that the Contract is contingent upon the availability of funds and inclusion of sufficient funds in the budget approved by the Board for each fiscal year the Contract remains in effect or operation. In the event such funding is terminated or reduced, the County may terminate the Contract, reduce the County's maximum obligation or modify the Contract, without penalty.

STAFFING IMPACT:
N/A

REVIEWING AGENCIES/DEPARTMENTS:
N/A

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment A - Contract MA-057-27010050 with North Orange County Regional Occupational Program
Attachment B - Contract Summary
Attachment C - Final Score Summary
Attachment D - Program Outcomes and Data
Attachment E - Senate Bill 823 (2020)