COUNTY OF GLENN
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL

MEETING DATE: July 17, 2012
Submitting Department(s):
Human Resource Agency

BRIEF SUBJECT/ISSUE DESCRIPTION:
Authorize the HRA Director, or designee, to recruit and fill a Public Service Employee I position to provide case management services to individuals released under AB109.

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AGENDA PLACEMENT

APPOINTMENT – Appearances by: (Specify Name & Title)
Scott Gruendl, Director, Human Resource Agency

Required 5 Minutes

☐ Business-No ☐ Consent
☐ Correspondence ☐ Reports & Notices

AFFECTED DEPARTMENT(S)

☐ Receive Concurrence

ATTACHMENTS

☐ Board Report
☐ Letter
☐ Minute Order
☐ Contract
☐ Transfer
☐ Grant App.
☐ Resolution

LEGAL/PERSOENNEL/FISCAL

☐ County Counsel
☐ Personnel
☐ Finance
☐ County Administrative Office

CLERK INSTRUCTIONS

☐ Return Minute Order to Pat Auser
☐ Return Certified Copy Of:

☐ Other:

PUBLIC HEARINGS & COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Public Hearings:
☐ Published
☐ Affidavit on File w/Clerk
☐ Affected Parties Notified

Committees:
☐ Vacancy Posted
☐ Application Attached

LEGISLATION

☐ State ☐ Federal

Bill:
☐ Latest Version of Bill
☐ Draft Letter Attached
☐ List of Supporters/Opposers
☐ Statement of Relevance to County Interests
☐ Description Attached

FUNDING SOURCE/IMPACT

☐ General Fund Impact
☐ Other: No General Fund Impact
☐ Budgeted
☐ Transfer Attached
☐ 4/5ths Vote Required
☐ Contingency Request

CONTRACTS, LEASES & AGREEMENTS

☐ New ☐ Renewal
☐ Amendment
☐ Insurance Certificate
☐ Contract Report

Date of Original Contract:
Contract No.:
Fiscal Year:

RECOMMENDED ACTION/MOTION:

This request does not require the use of County General Funds. Funding for this position is currently budgeted and will be paid using funding received under AB109.

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Scott Gruendl, Director
Department Head

Reviewed By (if applicable):

Personnel Director

Department of Finance

County Administrative Officer

CC:
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Submitted by the Human Resource Agency

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
The Glenn County Human Resource Agency’s (HRA) Community Action Division (CAD) is requesting permission to recruit a Public Service Employee to provide case management services and re-entry life skills to help prepare individuals released under AB 109 in gaining employment.

RECOMMENDATION:
Authorize the HRA Director, or designee, to recruit and fill a Public Service Employee I position to provide case management services to individuals released under AB 109.

HISTORY AND BACKGROUND:
The HRA’s Community Action Division is in need of an additional Public Service Employee to provide case management services to eligible persons who are formerly incarcerated and reentering society under provisions of law as established by AB 109. The Community Action Partnership has been contracted by the Probation Department to serve as a navigator of services, linkages to resources and development of case plans in conjunction with Probation and other local partners in the County. The PSE in this position will be providing life skills in the jail to incarcerated AB109 clients and post-release workshops to help with the transition back to the community. The PSE will develop exit plans in conjunction with the Probation Department staff and agency partners serving this population. The AB 109 case management program has served a total of 17 clients in the last 6 months and has successfully assisted these individuals in attaining self-sufficiency goals. The program follows the Community Re-Entry Work Program model, by linking AB 109 clients to job training programs and work placements, in addition to housing assistance and food access, to prevent recidivism. This program has been highlighted as a model program in the region and has been submitted to the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) for recognition and award.

FISCAL/PERSONNEL IMPACT:
This request does not require the use of county general funds. Funding for this position is currently budgeted and will be paid using funding received under AB 109.

ANALYSIS/DISCUSSION
The release of low-risk offenders from state prisons under AB 109 requires California counties to provide reentry services to this population in order to integrate them into society and help them become self-sufficient. The types of services needed by
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reentrants vary, and may include food, housing, work experience or employment, and education, among others. Intensive case management services are frequently necessary to help the AB 109 population meet these basic needs and to help start them on the road to self-sufficiency.

The full impact on the county and its citizens from the influx of persons who are formerly incarcerated remains to be seen. However, it is in the best interests of the county, its residents and the AB 109 population to provide an adequate level of case management services to help these individuals reenter society and divert them from reoffending.