



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

For the meeting of: 8/11/2026

File #: 26-737

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Probation

Agenda Section: Consent

Vote Requirement: Majority

SUBJECT:

Professional Services Agreement in the Amount of \$225,000 with Track Group, Inc. for Electronic Monitoring Services for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27 through 2028-29

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve, and authorize the Chair of the Board to sign, the attached professional services agreement in the amount of \$225,000 with Track Group, Inc. for electronic monitoring services for FY 2026-27 through 2028-29.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This action supports the following areas of your Board's Strategic Plan.

Area of Focus: Core Services/Other

Strategic Plan Category: 1001 -Support and sustain partnerships between public safety and partner agencies to enhance public safety in our communities

DISCUSSION:

The County of Humboldt Probation Department operates a juvenile home supervision program as required by Section 840 of the California Welfare and Institutions Code. Probation also operates a Supervised Release Program (SRP) as part of the county's AB 109 realignment plan. Both juvenile and adult probation supervision programs have historically utilized electronic monitoring (EM) as an additional form of oversight and in lieu of detention or incarceration. EM serves as a component of probation supervision to promote public safety and increase successful supervision completion outcomes.

Probation's current use of EM allows eligible juveniles to serve their detention commits at home and reduces overcrowding in Juvenile Hall. Similarly, the release of adult offenders from custody to EM assists in reducing overcrowding in the Humboldt County Correctional Facility, and increases offenders' accountability upon release from custody. Adult offenders placed on EM are more likely to comply with the terms and conditions of supervision and keep court appearances and appointments. Additionally, EM services allows Probation the ability to monitor high-risk offenders and registered sex offenders.

Under the terms of the proposed agreement, Track Group Inc. will provide EM equipment, training, and technical support to Probation. Through the enhanced capabilities of Track Group, Inc.'s EM devices and electronic monitoring services, Probation will have increased capability to: 1. Track offenders' whereabouts to ensure they appear for court or appointments; 2. Set exclusion zones for offenders with stay-away or protective orders; 3. Speak to offenders directly through the device if they fail to comply with the orders of their supervision; 4. Send reminders to offenders through the use of vibration of the ankle bracelet or an alarm sound; 5. Utilize application technology that allows victims of domestic violence to be notified if their offender is within a certain distance

from them; and 6. Deploy facial recognition software, via mobile phone, to allow for a breathalyzer to be plugged into the phone so that Probation can receive notifications of an offender's blood alcohol concentration.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

General Fund (1100-235), Community Corrections (810520)

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Expenditures (1100235; 1100294)	FY26-27	FY27-28 Projected*	FY28-29 Projected*
Budgeted Expenses	75,000	75,000	75,000
Additional Appropriation Requested			
Total Expenditures	75,000	75,000	75,000

**Projected amounts are estimates and are subject to change.*

Funding Sources (110023; 1100294)	FY26-27	FY27-28 Projected*	FY28-29 Projected*
General Fund	10,000	10,000	10,000
State/Federal Funds	65,000	65,000	65,000
Total Funding Sources	75,000	75,000	75,000

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Narrative Explanation of Financial Impact:

The attached professional services agreement with Track Group for electronic monitoring services has a maximum payable of \$225,000, with an annual maximum of \$75,000. Revenue for the agreement is available from AB 109 Public Safety Realignment in the amount of \$65,000 annually in (Public Safety Realignment budget unit 1100-294), and \$10,000 annually from the General Fund (Probation Main budget 1100-235). Expenditure appropriations have been included in the Professional Services line item (2118) for each of these budget units in the amounts above for FY 2026-27 and will be included in future budget years.

STAFFING IMPACT:

There is no staffing impact.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Track Group, Inc.

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Board may elect not to award this contract, however, this is not recommended as the devices and monitoring provided through this agreement enhances the Probation Department's ability to supervise and monitor juveniles on home supervision, eligible high-risk adult offenders, and individuals released on their own recognizance to Probation for supervision pending sentencing.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Professional Services Agreement with Track Group, Inc.

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Meeting of: 11/02/2023

File No.: 23-1207