

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM: 3.12**  
**(ID # 13585)**

**MEETING DATE:**

Tuesday, September 21, 2021

**FROM :** PROBATION:

**SUBJECT:** PROBATION DEPARTMENT: Authorize the Riverside County Probation Department's request for Bus Passes from the Riverside Transit Agency, for five years, All Districts. [\$500,000; State Funds 100%]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent to issue a purchase order with the Riverside Transit Agency for the Purchase of bus passes for annual amount not to exceed \$100,000, and an aggregate amount of \$500,000 for five years; and
2. Authorize the Purchasing Agent, in accordance with Ordinance No. 459, based on the availability of fiscal funding, to authorize changes to the purchase order that do not change the substantive terms, including the compensation provision that does not exceed 10% of the purchase order amount.

**ACTION:Policy**

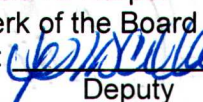
  
Ronald L. Miller, Chief Probation Officer 9/2/2021

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: September 21, 2021  
xc: Probation

Kecia R. Harper  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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<b>FINANCIAL DATA</b>	<b>Current Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Next Fiscal Year:</b>	<b>Total Cost:</b>	<b>Ongoing Cost</b>
<b>COST</b>	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 100,000
<b>NET COUNTY COST</b>	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS: State Funds 100%</b>			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b>	No
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b>	21/22-25/26

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** Approve

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

The Riverside County Probation Department (Probation) provides a variety of available and/or court-ordered programs countywide for clients. To maximize access to these programs, Probation provides bus passes to clients needing transportation assistance or as part of an incentive program for compliance with conditions of supervision where the goals are to reduce recidivism and assist offenders in successful re-entry through providing needed evidence-based services. Available programs for which bus passes have been distributed include, but are not limited to, the Riverside and Temecula Day Reporting Centers, counseling, and job interviews.

Riverside Transit Agency (RTA) is the agency which provides bus services within the five Supervisorial Districts of Riverside County, except the routes covered by Sunline Transit in District 4. There are other private companies that may be able to provide transportation services i.e. taxi companies and Uber. Taxi and Uber services can become extremely costly as cost is associated with every 1/10<sup>th</sup> of a mile driven with taxis and Uber calculates fares using the following equation: Base Fare + (Cost per minute x time in ride) + (Cost per mile x ride distance) + Safe Rides Fee = The Fare. Uber services are available through a smart phone application requiring registration per user and a credit card on file to process payment for services, which is not a system easily utilized by Probation for their clients.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

Public Safety Realignment is a countywide challenge that requires a countywide response. Since implementation, the policy initiatives and intervention strategies articulated in the Community Corrections Partnership Public Safety Realignment and Post Release Community Supervision Implementation Plan Update report are intended to improve success rates of offenders under supervision, resulting in less victimization and increased community safety. The Probation bus pass program is one component that contributes to the initiatives and strategies to assist with offender success.

**Contract History and Price Reasonableness**

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Ordinance 459 allows for award of contracts with any federal, state, or local government agency without bidding due to the nature of collaboration and partnership of beneficial programs with government entities.

RTA fares and bus passes for Riverside County service areas are fixed route fares. The three bus pass options and pricing purchased by Probation for this service are:

- a) 1-Day Pass – designed for the occasional rider at \$5.00
- b) 7-Day Pass – provides an affordable alternative to a monthly pass at \$20.00
- c) 30-Day Pass – for passengers who travel often on the bus system at \$60.00

  
Tina Grande, Director of Purchasing and Fleet Services 9/7/2021

  
Juan C. Perez, Chief Operating Officer 9/15/2021

  
Gregory L. Priantos, Director County Counsel 9/9/2021