



**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Administrative Office	(2) MEETING DATE 11/5/2019	(3) CONTACT/PHONE Whitney Szentesi 805-788-2778	
(4) SUBJECT Presentation from the California State Association of Counties recognizing the County of San Luis Obispo with a 2019 Challenge Award for its innovative Coastal Valley Academy program. All Districts.			
(5) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board receive and file the California State Association of Counties 2019 Challenge Award presentation.			
(6) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A	(7) CURRENT YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(8) ANNUAL FINANCIAL IMPACT \$0.00	(9) BUDGETED? N/A
(10) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. _____) <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. _____)			
(11) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Resolutions <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			
(12) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) N/A		(13) BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUIRED? BAR ID Number: N/A <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	
(14) LOCATION MAP N/A	(15) BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT? No	(16) AGENDA ITEM HISTORY <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A Date _____	
(17) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW This item was prepared by the Administrative Office.			
(18) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) All Districts.			



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TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Presentation from the California State Association of Counties recognizing the County of San Luis Obispo with a 2019 Challenge Award for its innovative Coastal Valley Academy program. All Districts.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board receive and file the California State Association of Counties 2019 Challenge Award presentation.

DISCUSSION

For the first time, California State Association of Counties' (CSAC) is recognizing the County of San Luis Obispo with a coveted Challenge Award. This annual statewide awards program honors innovation and best practices in county government, and this year CSAC received 284 entries – the second largest number in the program's history. Only 16 programs across the state were selected by an independent panel of judges to receive a 2019 Challenge Award.

CSAC will present one of its 2019 Challenge Awards to the County at the November 5 Board of Supervisors meeting, recognizing the innovative and regional approach of the County Probation Department's Coastal Valley Academy. The program has a unique approach that combines the home-like environment and intensive treatment of a group home with the structure of a camp program. The academy is an alternative model to group homes, which are costly and ineffective in addressing high-risk probation youth who cannot be safely supervised at home and require structured treatment services.

Coastal Valley Academy is a Juvenile Hall custody commitment camp program for teens who are moderate- to high-risk of reoffending and need residential treatment. Youth are ordered by the court to stay six to 12 months, during which time they receive intensive case management, treatment and educational services in collaboration with County Probation, a local treatment provider, Family Care Network, and the County Office of Education. In Fiscal Year 2017-2018, the Coastal Valley Academy reduced first-time group home placements by 91 percent and reduced the risk of recidivism by 44 percent.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT/IMPACT

The County Administrative Office coordinated award submissions on behalf of the County, and the County Probation Department wrote the summary for the Coastal Valley Academy award entry.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

There are no financial impacts to consider with the receipt of this presentation.

RESULTS

This award recognizes and promotes the County's efforts to create a community where all people – adults and children alike – have a sense of security and well-being, live in an environment that encourages respect for everyone, enjoy successful and productive lives, and benefit from results-oriented public services that are responsive to community needs and desires.