



# COUNTY OF YOLO

## COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

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**To:** Community Corrections Partnership (CCP)

**From:** John Rowe, CCP Analyst

**Subject:** Consider Innovation funding proposal from the Yolo Conflict Resolution Center in the amount of \$75,000 to increase the community's understanding of and participation in Restorative Justice, with the objective of expanding the use of Restorative Justice opportunities.

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### **Background**

The Yolo Conflict Resolution Center (YCRC) provides dispute resolution services in accordance with the Dispute Resolutions Programs Act of 1986 (DRPA). They have provided these services to Yolo County since 2014-15 when they were the sole bidder for a County-issued RFP.

In the 2021-22 fiscal year, YCRC was awarded \$50,000 in Innovation funding to increase program participation over two fiscal years, however, as the year concluded YCRC had not yet drawn any of these funds down for use. At that time, staff reached out to YCRC and was informed that they would like to submit a revised scope for funding.

### **Request**

YCRC is requesting \$75,000 in Innovation funding to perform additional outreach and education within Yolo County on available Restorative Justice programs and opportunities. The proposal details their intention to provide community information sessions and create two videos detailing the Restorative Justice process and featuring testimonials from service partners and program participants. YCRC believes that greater community knowledge of Restorative Justice will result in greater interest in and usage of available programs and resources, which will further the current CCP Strategic Plan goal of expanding the use of Restorative Justice programs.

### **Staff Recommendation**

Receive a presentation from YCRC Executive Director Kara Hunter on their proposal and consider a request for \$75,000 in innovation funding to increase the community's understanding of and participation in Restorative Justice.