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Ovitt votes to make San Bernardino County National Leader in GPS Monitoring of High-Risk Offenders

San Bernardino- San Bernardino County Supervisors voted in favor of a Request for Proposals (RFP) to implement the use of Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) tracking devices on individuals who are currently on probation from county detention facilities. The GPS system was a project Supervisor Ovitt had been working with County Probation to implement. The RFP passed on a unanimous vote.

The vote to create this program reaffirms Supervisor Ovitt's campaign pledge that he would make public safety his top priority for the residents of the 4th District.

"This RFP will start the process by which, at virtually no cost to the county, we will be able to track some of our high risk criminals in "real-time," stated Ovitt. "It should also be said that by implementing this technology, San Bernardino County is a State and National leader in "High-Tech" approaches to Public Safety."

Today's vote will allow County Probation to accept bids from vendors wishing to provide the technology to the County. Probation expects to make a decision regarding a vendor and start the program in late spring.

"By taking advantage of the newest technology available to law enforcement, we are better able to protect our communities," said Ovitt. "I'm proud of the work we've done thus far, I'm proud of our "High-Tech" solutions, and I look forward to implementing this system."

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