

Stepping Up Initiative and Executive Committee of the Community Corrections Partnership (ECCCP)

Meeting Minutes Monday, January 25, 2021 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Zoom

Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee Members in Attendance:

Brown, Bill, Sheriff-Coroner Gleghorn, Alice, PhD., Director, Behavioral Wellness (BW) Heitman, Tanja, Chief Probation Officer Macuga, Tracy, Public Defender Parker, Darrel, Santa Barbara Superior Court

Community Corrections Partnership Members in Attendance:

Barnard, Sylvia, Good Samaritan Shelter **Carroll, Kevin,** Santa Barbara Rescue Mission

Staff and Other Attendees:

Auchincloss, Gordon, DA's Office Bertrand, Ethan, 2nd District Representative Burns, Shana, BW Byrne, Sharon Cvr. Serena Dr., BW DeJohn, J., Santa Barbara Police Department Gamboa, Ray, Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office (SBSO) Gibbs, Lynne, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Hartwig, Mark, Santa Barbara County Fire Chief Huddle, Kevin, SBSO Kaufmann, George, NAMI Lee, Cherylynn Dr., SBSO Matis, Lynn, Doctors Without Walls Nilson, Jorie Novatt, Maria, County Counsel Plastino, Rob, SBSO Raney, Erik, SBSO Sanger, Robert Savrnoch, John, District Attorney's Office Shannon, Jeff, SBSO Shean, Kim, Probation Department Strickland, Audra Wasilewski, Vincent, SBSO

Roll Call of CCP Members

PresentAbsentSylvia BarnardJoyce DudleyBill BrownGregg HartKevin CarrollRay McDonaldAlice GleghornDaniel NielsonTanja HeitmanSusan Salcido

Tracy Macuga Darrel Parker

Roll Call of Executive Committee CCP Members

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A quorum was established for a meeting of the Executive Committee and the Community Corrections Partnership.

1. Santa Barbara County Fire Chief's Public Safety Task Force Update – SB County Fire Chief Hartwig

- Fire Chiefs throughout the County established the Public Safety Task Force to address specific concerns related to fire weather restrictions and open fire restrictions with the dispersed camping, homeless encampments, and egress and ingress for trail heads and beaches. Proposals are being developed with solutions that jurisdictions can provide to their policy makers that do not negatively impact the neighboring jurisdictions.
- Sheriff Brown stated that Stepping Up is working to address individuals with co-occurring disorders which can often include homelessness. The work being done by the Task Force likely intersects some of the same individuals as Stepping Up.

2. Behavioral Wellness Update – Dr. Gleghorn

- The CREDO-47 stabilization center and co-response teams were launched, then paused due to COVID and relaunched for about a year, including the step down housing portion.
- A review of agencies utilizing the CREDO-47 stabilization center drop off services show the following: SBSO (39), Santa Barbara Police Department (65), Santa Maria Police Department (1), Lompoc Police Department (1), California Highway Patrol (1), University of California Police Department (1), Probation Department (22), Cottage Hospital (122), jail (50) and other (108).
- Of those individuals that were provided services at CREDO-47,167 individuals evaluated for 5150 and 5585 in 2020, with 17 voluntary hospitalizations, 23 were hospitalized for medical reasons, with 149 arrestable offenses, but only 11 actually arrests.
- Assembly Bill (AB) 1810 which targets felony Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) individuals
 to receive services in the community. There are three people currently enrolled, with the
 grant expectation of six per year for three years for a total of 18 served by the grant.
- Dr. Gleghorn encouraged Stepping Up to continue to support grant opportunities for these populations.
- Public Defender Tracy Macuga asked how many were referred to the AB1810 program and not accepted. Shana Burns advised since July 2020 there have been 21 referrals

- into the program with three being accepted. There are six individuals that are being considered.
- Sylvia Barnard advised that Life House opened early January and is fully staff with five beds available and the first client has moved in.
- Shana Burns advised that the grant for AB1810 requires a specific diagnosis, they must be amenable for outpatient treatment and not at high risk to be at an outpatient setting. Those that do not meet the requirements will continue to be engaged by Justice Alliance.

3. Santa Barbara County Co-Response Team Update – Dr. Lee & Dr. Gleghorn

- Dr. Lee reported in November 2020 there were 224 mental health crisis calls, 132
 handled by the co-response team, with only two resulting in arrest. For December 2020
 there were 227 mental health crisis calls, 143 handled by the co-response team, with
 only two resulting in arrest. In 2020 there was 11 arrests.
- Gun violence is a metrics of the grant. In 2020 there were 60 cases where someone was at risk of gun violence.
- The next CIT class is scheduled for March 1, 2021.
- Santa Barbara Police Department has started their co-response team in partnership with BW. The Santa Maria Police Department is looking to have their co-response team up and running shortly.

4. Hands Across Montecito – Montecito Homeless Outreach Project – Sharon Byrne

- The Montecito project is a pilot project working with the chronic longer term unsheltered population. Funds have been raised from private donors across Montecito. Hands Across Montecito volunteers work with SBSO and BW in teams.
- The partnership with SBSO, BW, and the Fire Department has been very positive in clearing two camps.
- There has been success in getting individuals into housing and working with individuals case by case to help move them in doors.
- The majority of the funding raised is going to bridge housing.

5. 3 Year Strategic Plan for Stepping Up Counties – Sheriff Brown

- There are 12 individuals who have expressed interest in participating in this workgroup.
 In consultation with County Counsel there will not be ECCCP and CCP voting members on the workgroup.
- Commander Kevin Huddle will schedule a workgroup meeting prior to the next Stepping Up meeting.

6. Public Comment

None

Next Stepping Up CCP/ECCP Meeting: March 15, 2021

Respectfully submitted by Melanie Davis Administrative Professional