Community Corrections Partnership (CCP)

Meeting Minutes
Friday, June 2, 2017
10:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Santa Ynez Marriott
555 McMurray Rd., Buellton

Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee Members in Attendance:
Brown, Bill, Sheriff
Kelly, Patricia, Presiding Judge
Gleghorn, Alice, PhD., Director, Behavioral Wellness
Taylor, Beverly, Acting Chief Probation Officer

Community Corrections Partnership General Members in Attendance:
McDonald, Ray, Executive Director, Workforce Development Board (WDB)
Nielson, Daniel, Director, Department of Social Services (DSS)
Wolf, Janet, 2nd District Supervisor

Members Absent:
Cirone, Bill, Superintendent of County Schools
Cué, Eduardo, Director, Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA)
Dudley, Joyce, District Attorney (DA)
Macuga, Tracy, Public Defender (PD)
Wales, Alison, Program Director, North County Rape Crisis Center
Walsh, Pat, Lompoc Police Chief

Staff and Other Attendees:
Ballard, SE, Deputy Public Defender, PD
Bozanich, Dennis, Deputy CEO
Czuleger, Jerry, County Counsel
Dixon, Roger, Probation Manager
Fletcher, Damon, Administrative Deputy Director, Probation Department
Heitman, Tanja, Deputy Chief Probation Officer
Manolas, Celeste, Capital Projects Manager, General Services
McFarlin, Matthew, Sergeant, Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Office (SBSO)
Milligan, Karyn, Probation Research Manager
Miyasato, Mona, County Executive Officer
Nicola, Mag, Chief Deputy District Attorney
O’Gorman, Mary, 2nd District Office
Olmstead, Brian, Lieutenant, SBSO
Plastino, Bob, Lieutenant, SBSO
Powel, Charles, Custody Commander, SBSO
Shean, Kim, Probation Manager
Talaugon, Sylvia, Probation Manager
Wasilewski, Vincent, Chief Custody Deputy, SBSO
Ward, Katie, Program Supervisor, SBSO
Roll Call of CCP Members

Present
Bill Brown
Alice Gleghorn
Patricia Kelly
Ray McDonald
Daniel Nielsen
Beverly Taylor
Janet Wolf

Absent
Bill Cirone
Eduardo Cué
Joyce Dudley
Tracy Macuga
Alison Wales
Pat Walsh

Roll Call of Executive Committee CCP Members

Present
Bill Brown
Patricia Kelly
Alice Gleghorn
Beverly Taylor

Absent
Joyce Dudley
Tracy Macuga
Pat Walsh

Public Comment
None

Comments from CCP members not on Agenda

• None

Approval by the CCP of the minutes from April 7, 2017, CCP meeting – All
• A motion was made by Ray McDonald and seconded by Supervisor Wolf to approve the April 7, 2017 minutes. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved with Judge Kelly abstaining.

Approval by the ECCCP of the minutes from April 7, 2017, CCP meeting – All
• A motion was made by Sheriff Brown and seconded by Chief Taylor to approve the April 7, 2017 minutes. A vote was taken and the minutes were approved with Judge Kelly abstaining.

Chief Probation Officer Comments – Chief Taylor
• At the August 11th meeting there will be a Results First presentation to the CCP and Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC).
• The Chief welcomed Sylvia Talaugon. Sylvia has recently been promoted to Probation Manager assigned to the adult division.

1. Stepping Up Initiative and Sequential Intercept Mapping (SIM) – Rob Plastino
• Lieutenant Plastino provided a review of the Stepping Up Initiative handout that was provided and the request for $21,000 conduct Intercept Mapping.
• Supervisor Wolf made a motion and Ray McDonald second to approve $21,000 of planning funds to contract with a consultant to conduct Sequential Intercept Mapping (SIM) for Santa Barbara County.
  o A roll call vote was taken of the CCP members present.
    Ayes: 6
    (Sheriff Brown, Dr. Gleghorn, Chief Taylor, Ray McDonald, Daniel Nielson, Supervisor Wolf)
    Nayes: 0
    Abstention: Judge Kelly
2. Opioid Diversion and Support Program Grant Submission – Dr. Gleghorn
   - Dr. Gleghorn stated this is a good follow up as it is related to the Stepping Up Initiative and SIM.
   - The grant that was submitted was for $400,000 over a three year period to build on to existing county resources to create a diversion program to incarceration and includes additional Sheriff personnel.
   - The grant is for a pilot program in Santa Barbara as that is where the jail is. The grant submission had a very tight turn around and this request is to reimburse Behavioral Wellness for grant writing services.
   - This item was reviewed by the CCP workgroup. However, they did not make a recommendation and deferred it to the CCP.
   - A motion was made by Supervisor Wolf and second by Daniel Nielson to allocate $14,738 in Planning Funds to the Department of Behavioral Wellness for the grant writing services of Hatcheul Tabernik and Associates Inc., regarding the Opioid Diversion and Support Program Grant.
     - A roll call vote was taken of the CCP members present.
       - Ayes: 6
         (Sheriff Brown, Dr. Gleghorn, Chief Taylor, Ray McDonald, Daniel Nielson, Supervisor Wolf)
       - Nayes: 0
       - Abstention: Judge Kelly

   - Handout was provided and reviewed with the group.

4. Mental Health Rehabilitation Center (MHC) Status Report – Dr. Gleghorn/Celeste Manolas
   - Celeste Manolas from General Services advised that the Request For Quote (RFQ) has been developed and is due on June 19th. The consultant selection committee has been established. Ten firms have pulled the RFQ information so she is optimistic we will have multiple qualified firms submit a RFQ.
   - Tanja asked what the particular feasibility study covers. Celeste advised that the RFQ is looking at the existing facility, ability to make modifications, determine the cost and if the site is feasible for the MHRC. This RFQ includes the entire campus and the need to relocate the Probation Report and Resource Center (PRRC).
   - Dr. Gleghorn stated after this feasibility review it will be necessary to bring in organizations that are familiar with MHRC requirements regarding facility needs such as door locks, toilets, licensing requirement, and etc.

5. Compliance Response Teams (CRT) Report –Kim Shean
   - Kim advised that Lieutenant Olmstead and Sergeant McFarlan are present to provide information regarding the activities of the CRT.
   - The review by JFA suggested reductions to the CRTs and the Alternative Sentencing Unit. The CCP workgroup has been discussing those recommendations but needs clarification as to the understanding of what information would be helpful for the CCP to make the necessary decisions.
   - Mary stated the suggestion to alter/reduce the CRT came from reviewing Dr. Austin’s report and there was discussions about reviewing mid-year based on the reduction of realigned offenders and questioned if the three teams were necessary.
• Lieutenant Olmstead advised that the measurables have been defined a little better over the last several months. There is no other team in the County that are focusing on this population other teams do very general work. There have been a number of weapons seized by the CRT primarily in Santa Maria.
• The Sheriff indicated realignment funds only pay for two of the three teams the additional team is paid for by funds that are approved by the County Law Enforcement Chief (CLEC). The teams do an incredible job and this partnership is different than what has been done in the past.
• Supervisor Wolf indicated she isn’t sure why the number of compliance checks being done in Santa Barbara is much lower than the number in Santa Maria. Sergeant McFarlan advised that it is due to the different dynamics of Santa Maria, there is far more time spent trying to locate offenders in Santa Maria than in Santa Barbara which results in higher number of man hours.
• Tanja advised that the workgroup needs direction as to what information the CCP needs. The CRTs have been fully funded for FY 2017-18 and are working to increase their compliance checks and further changes can be made to CRT activities if needed.
• Mary reminded the group that the reason for the review of the CRTs was due to the low contacts and the need for funding for mental health treatment.
• Tanja indicated that the MHRC does not have adequate funding and the review of the CRTs and Alternative Sentencing Unit was to determine if funding could be freed up from these programs but if the CCP wants the workgroup to look at other areas than that information needs to be provided.
• Supervisor Wolf asked to hear the Alternative Sentencing Unit Report so the group can provide direction on both items.
• Dr. Gleghorn asked if there were individuals that were undocumented that were being served by the CRTs. Tanja advised that the Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) population rarely has undocumented individuals however, there are undocumented individual in the §1170 PC and general probation population.

6. Alternative Sentencing Unit Report –Vincent Wasilewski

• The Alternative Sentencing Unit was placed under scrutiny by the JFA report. As a result in January 2017 a review of enrollment was conducted. A handout was provided to the group. The information has been reported to the CCP workgroup and the Sheriff’s Office needs additional guidance as to what information the CCP is requesting.
• This is a voluntary program and in the past those placed on electronic monitoring (EM) were not very successful. There will be a change in the jail combining the programs unit, classification unit and the alternative sentencing unit to enable there to be more of a case plan for individuals released on EM.
• A recent snapshot indicates that of those currently in the jail, 63% are unsentence which make them ineligible for alternative sentencing. There is roughly 31% of sentenced population that are difficult to place out on this program. There are currently 44 individuals in custody that are AB109 offenders making the pool of candidates eligible for the program very limited. The pool of candidates eligible for the program is less than in years past which is resulting in a change to the program.
• The Sheriff indicated those in the jail are being evaluated to determine their risk to reoffend. A higher number of those in custody screened as more likely to reoffend, as such they are not eligible for Alternative Sentencing. The Sheriff indicated that they are in the process of looking at a pretrial release program so he does not want to make changes until we can determine how those changes effect the eligible population.
• In closing the Sheriff’s Office is looking at ways to reduce recidivism because we can do it better and cheaper than the State which is the premise of Realignment but funding is
not limited to those individuals. This is an opportunity to reduce the number of individuals in jail.

- Supervisors Wolf stated the number of realigned offenders in the jail is very low making the pool of realigned offenders eligible for alternative sentencing even smaller. Could this funding be better utilized and get more bang for our buck by using it elsewhere?
- The Sheriff advised that this is a small unit tasked with trying to get people out of the jail. What is driving the suggestions to reduce this program is trying to fund the MHRC and even if all items proposed for reduction it wouldn't fund the MHRC entirely. There needs to be an additional funding stream located for the MHRC not to dismantle these programs in the criminal justice system.
- Mary asked about the pretrial program and if the plan was for Probation Officers to oversee those individuals. Tanja confirmed that it would be Probation Officers supervising those individuals released through pretrial. Those individuals in jail that have a sentenced case and a pretrial case are currently also being discussed to determine how they will be handled.
- The group had a discussion regarding information that would be needed from the CRT and Alternative Sentencing Unit to give the CCP workgroup more information.
- Sheriff advised that the third CRT team funding will no longer be available next FY for the Probation Officer and the funding for the Lompoc Police Officer is not in the budget for next FY, there could be some rollover that could carry it for a little while.
- Mona stated that we need to make hard choices. The goals of the Board of Supervisors is we cannot do everything but focus on what is most important. The County budget is going to be more difficult over the next several years. We need to be clear what the focus of the funding is and make the best choice as a member of the CCP.
- It was suggested to bring the item back to the October meeting and perhaps at that time we can have more information from the feasibility study and task the workgroup to get more information regarding alternative sentencing unit and CRTs. The workgroup can provide multiple recommendations as to how to move forward.
- Damon advised that we will be getting growth funding but we do not project growth. We wait until the actual allocation is posted. Of note FY 2017-18 budget includes one-time funding and growth.
- Celeste estimated that the feasibility study would likely not be completed in October and maybe not until December as it is uncertain if there will be any additional testing that will be necessary through the feasibility study.
- It was determined to bring the CRT and Alternative Sentencing back to the October CCP meeting to provide updated numbers and what the impact would be if one or both were reduced or eliminated.

7. Public Safety Realignment Local Plan Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 -17 – Damon Fletcher

- Damon reviewed the handout with the group.
- Dr. Gleghorn asked if the goal of the County is to not incarcerate people, what things can be done that are cost effective for the mentally ill and those with substance abuse to assist clients to do better in the long run? She requested that the items that are not mental health treatment be removed from that line item so there is an accurate picture of funding for those services. Realignment is not currently funding residential drug treatment which is a cheaper option. It isn’t necessary to wait we could fund those residential drug treatment now as the $300,000 for housing is typically underspent which is another area the CCP workgroup could review.
- Probation is contracting for residential treatment program in Santa Barbara with Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA) next year FY.
• Kim advised Probation is looking at alternative approaches that Behavioral Wellness is utilizing and we have expanded the housing options.
• It was suggested to have a subcommittee of the CCP workgroup to review creative options for housing.

8. Criminal Justice Data Committee – Dennis Bozanich
   • Dennis provided a review of the handout to the group.

Next Meeting: August 11, 2017 – Santa Ynez Marriott

Respectfully submitted by Melanie Davis, Executive Secretary