



Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) Realignment Planning Workgroup

Draft

Meeting Minutes
November 18, 2020

Zoom

CCP Realignment Planning Workgroup Members in Attendance:

Shana Burns for **Alice Gleghorn**, Ph.D., Director – Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness

Tracy Macuga, Public Defender – Santa Barbara County Public Defender’s Office

Ray McDonald, Executive Director – Santa Barbara County Workforce Development Board

Terri Nisich for **Bernard Melekian**, Assistant County Executive Officer (ACEO) – County of Santa Barbara County Executive Office

Mag Nicola, Chief Deputy District Attorney – Santa Barbara County District Attorney’s Office

Angela Braun for **Darrel Parker**, Court Executive Officer – Santa Barbara County Superior Court

Kimberly Shean, Deputy Chief Probation Officer – Santa Barbara County Probation Department

Charles Powell for **Vincent Wasilewski**, Chief Custody Deputy – Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Office (SBSO)

Members Absent:

Ethan Bertrand, 2nd District Representative

Staff and Other Attendees:

Baldueza, Julius – Probation Department

Bottorff, Erica – PD’s Office

Brooks, Dulce - SBSO

Budwani, Deepak – Public Defender’s Office

Cross, Spencer – Probation Department

Earl, Maureen - CLUE

Ellis, Ashton – General Services

Garcia, Eliza

Grossi, Dana – Probation Department

Grossini, Jason - SBSO

Lipman, Rachel – County Executive Office

Malesich, Todd – Probation Department

Meza, Ben – Probation Department

Milligan, Karyn – Probation Department

Ornelas, Clarissa – Holistic Defense

Papaisson, Amanda

Ribeiro, Chris – Behavioral Wellness

Riker, Megan – DA’s Office

Saafir, Emir – Probation Department

Severance, Laurence

Sibley, Christina – Probation Department

Soderman, Michael – District Attorney’s Office

Smith, Deidre – SBSO

Vasquez, Hope – SBSO

Zeitz, Laura – Behavioral Wellness

Zuroske, Patrick – General Services

I. **Call to Order**–Deputy Chief Probation Officer (DCPO) Kimberly Shean

- The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

II. **Approval of Minutes** – All

- A motion was made by Ray McDonald and seconded by Mag Nicola to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2020, Community Corrections Partnership Realignment Planning Workgroup (CCP Workgroup) meeting as submitted.
 - A roll call vote was taken of the CCP Workgroup members present.
Ayes: 8
(Shana Burns, Tracy Macuga, Ray McDonald, Terri Nisich, Mag Nicola, Angela Braun, Kimberly Shean, Charles Powell)
Nays: 0
Abstention: 0

III. **Public Comment** – All

- Maureen Earls stated that CLUE is interested in the racial justice aspect of the CCP budget. She asked if there a chart that outlines the funding north and south related to resources and how it correlates to individuals being released from prison or on probation. She was also interested if there was ability to match with the funding and the clients in need of services based on north or South County, and the percentage of the bilingual direct service staff in North and South County and how it matches up to needs.

IV. **Comments from the Chair** – Kimberly Shean

- A handout was provided to the group from the Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice titled *California's 2019 Crime Rate is the Lowest in Recorded State History*.

V. **Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Realignment Planning Process** – All

- FY 2021-22 Budget
 - Ben Meza provided a review of the FY 2021-22 Realignment status quo budget and the fund balance. When the status quo budget is compared to the funding allocation it is \$1.9 million short. Kimberly Shean advised that a budget review, including expansion requests will provided at the December/January 6th CCP Workgroup meeting. As a reminder, expansion requests need to include strategies as to how to fund the increased cost.
 - Tracy Macuga stated this year the CCP WG need to reset the focus on reentry. It is important to have Department's provide data that indicates that programming is having an effect on reentry and that funding is providing adequate services for the cost.
- Holistic Defense – Deepak Budwani & Tracy Macuga
 - A handout was provided and reviewed with the group.
- Pretrial Services – Spencer Cross
 - A handout was provided and reviewed with the group.
 - Tracy Macuga asked if there could be a more detailed review of the failures to appear. Spencer Cross advised that it is something Probation is monitoring to ensure individuals get what they need to help ensure they attend their hearings.
- Treatment & Psychiatric Services – Probation and Behavioral Wellness
 - A handout was reviewed on services provided through Probation.
 - Tracy Macuga ask how clients can be better supported as there is a rise in Domestic Violence (DV) and how the funding can better support these individuals. Kimberly Shean stated DV clients are required to be in treatment and funding is also utilized to assist indigent individuals.
 - In October Probation Officers conducted wellness checks on vulnerable victims and children and will be partnering with the DA's Office for another Operation Safe at Home event in December.
 - Tracy Macuga asked about preliminary data on Assembly Bill (AB) 372 streamlined services for DV clients. Karyn Milligan advised that we can provide descriptive data as outcome data will not be available for another year.
 - A handout was provided from Behavioral Wellness and reviewed with the group.

- Sheriff's Treatment Program –
 - A handout was provided and reviewed with the group which included the Edovo tablet program review.

VI. Mental Health Rehabilitation Center (MHRC) Update – Terri Nisich

- A handout provided and reviewed with the group regarding the planning for the MHRC building and necessary changes in building scale that has resulted in a \$2.1 million cost variance.
- Terri Nisich advised that this is not a request for funding as other options are being reviewed. This was only be provided as an update to the group.
- Kimberly Shean asked how the Lompoc MHRC will integrate with this MHRC and how the target population with AB1810, the CREDO-47 and the MHRCs will pull services together. Terri Nisich advised that the Lompoc MHRC was originally scheduled to open in October 2020 and work is being done with the Lompoc City Manager to finalize the facility opening. Laura Zeitz stated the difference with the South County MHRC is that it is a Forensic MHRC that has restoration services to help individuals get out of jail who are awaiting restoration placement. Terri Nisich advised that the team is looking at the resources, how to integrate the services, and compared to the needs of the County. Laura Zeitz advised there are currently 50 individuals placed outside of the County and the goal of the Lompoc MHRC is to return those individuals to their home County. Terri Nisich advised the County purchased 32 beds at the Lompoc MHRC.
- It is anticipated the Forensic MHRC will open in FY 2022-23.
- Tracy Macuga stated with the leadership of the CEO's Office and Behavioral Wellness Department services have greatly increased compared to several years ago. Even with what seems like an overlapping programs it does not meet the need of individuals in our County.
- Ben Meza advised Behavioral Wellness was allocated in FY 2017-18 for the capital component of the MHRC, \$2.5 million from reserves and approximately a year ago an additional \$552,000 was allocated.

VII. Review of Applications for CCP two year term members – Kimberly Shean

- The applications that were received for the two year CCP terms were reviewed by the group.
- A motion was made by Mag Nicola and seconded by Tracy Macuga to move applicants forward to the December 4, 2020, CCP meeting for consideration as they meet the statutory requirements in that they are aligned with a community-based organization with experience in successfully providing rehabilitative services to persons who have been convicted of a criminal offense or an individual who represents the interest of victims..
 - A roll call vote was taken of the CCP Workgroup members present.
 - Ayes: 5
(Shana Burns, Tracy Macuga, Mag Nicola, Kimberly Shean, Charles Powell)
 - Nays: 0
 - Abstention: 1
(Angela Braun)

VIII. FY 2020-21 Program

- **Neighborhood Courts Pilot Program – Mag Nicola**
 - Work is being done to fill the Program Director position as well as locate a space which is a key component and has proven to be more difficult due to COVID-19.

IX. Confirm Next Meeting for December 16, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. and Adjourn – DCPO Kimberly Shean

Respectfully submitted by Melanie Davis, Administrative Professional