



Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) Realignment Implementation Planning Workgroup

Meeting Minutes
June 28, 2017

Santa Barbara County Probation Department
117 E. Carrillo St.
Santa Barbara, CA

*Participation was held by Teleconference pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(b)
at the following location:*

Santa Barbara County Probation Department
2121 S. Centerpointe Parkway
Santa Maria, CA

CCP Realignment Implementation Planning Workgroup Members in Attendance:

Dennis Bozanich, designee for **Tom Alvarez**, Budget Director – County Executive Office of Santa Barbara County

Giovanni Giordani, Chief Trial Deputy – Santa Barbara County Public Defender’s Office

Alice Gleghorn, Ph.D., Director – Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness

Tanja Heitman, Deputy Chief Probation Officer – Santa Barbara County Probation Department

Mary O’Gorman, Chief of Staff – Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors, 2nd District Office

Darrel Parker, Court Executive Officer – Santa Barbara County Superior Court

Vincent Wasilewski, Chief Custody Deputy – Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Office

Members Absent:

Joe Mariani, Captain – Lompoc Police Department/County Law Enforcement Chiefs Representative

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

Mag Nicola, Chief Deputy District Attorney – Santa Barbara County Office of the District Attorney

Staff and Other Attendees:

Roger Kirk Dixon, Manager – Santa Barbara County Probation Department

Damon Fletcher, Administrative Deputy Director – Santa Barbara County Probation Department

Darin Fotheringham, Commander – Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Office

Skip Grey, Assistant Director – General Services

Naomi Kovacs, District Representative – Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors, 2nd District Office

Karyn Milligan, Manager – Santa Barbara County Probation Department

Brian Olmstead, Lieutenant – Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Office

Charles Powell, Commander – Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Office

Kimberly Shean, Manager – Santa Barbara County Probation Department

Sylvia Talaugon, Manager – Santa Barbara County Probation Department

I. Call to Order and Introductions – Deputy Chief Tanja Heitman

- The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.
- Attendees provided self-introductions.

II. Approval of Minutes – All

- A motion was made by Court Executive Officer Parker to approve the draft minutes of the May 24, 2017, Community Corrections Partnership Realignment Implementation Planning Workgroup (CCP Workgroup) meeting, as submitted, the motion was seconded, and the motion passed.

III. **Public Comment** – All

There was no public comment.

IV. **Comments from the Chair** – Deputy Chief Tanja Heitman

- Representatives from Results First (RF) will deliver a presentation to the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) and the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) on August 11th, at which time the RF model will be considered for the juvenile sector. Additionally, the RF team will be available on August 10th to present information to fiscal staff on the use of performance data and cost in making informed decisions regarding budgeting and resource allocation. Invitations to participate in the August 10th session may be extended to other counties.

V. **Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-2019 Realignment Planning Process** – All Members

- An overview was provided of the strategies historically utilized in developing Santa Barbara County's past Realignment Plans. Ideas for potential procedural approaches for the FY 2018-2019 planning process were shared and it was recognized that priority setting and articulation of specific budgetary goals for FY 2018-2019 should be accomplished by the end of October to enable effective planning.
- A suggestion was offered that the CCP Workgroup resume their review of the gaps identified in the JFA Report by evaluating the previously-established areas of priority and services shelved for future consideration, which had been memorialized by then Budget Director Tom Alvarez and submitted to the CCP in December 2016. Deputy CEO Bozanich agreed to facilitate CCP Workgroup discussion on July 26th regarding broad-based goals and areas of priority for the FY 2018-2019 Realignment budget, towards the goal of submitting the associated recommendations to the CCP for affirmation on August 11th.
- Deputy Chief Heitman added that before moving forward with the development of a budget, definitive guidance will be needed as to structuring the allocation of Realignment dollars towards non-Realigned services.
- A request was made for more definition and/or structural design around the subcommittees that were established in response to the JFA Report findings.
- There was agreement to the placement of continued emphasis on the housing needs of the Realigned population. A suggestion was made to appoint a CCP Workgroup member to serve as a liaison with existing committees that focus on housing, and for his/her involvement in the competitive application process for funding being diverted from the County's Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) allocation. Further discussion regarding housing will occur on July 26th.

VI. **Compliance Response Team (CRT) Update** – Probation Manager Kimberly Shean and Commander Darin Fotheringham

- In response to recommendations included in the JFA Report, the CCP Workgroup has focused on the CRTs. Probation staff sought information from other counties with CRT-like programs as to their methods of measuring effectiveness, only to learn that they, too, had no such matrix. A national research paper on compatible team ventures conveyed similar challenges to those experienced locally in attempting to gauge CRT impact on recidivism reduction.
- The Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) grant funding that has historically funded the third CRT was not continued in the Governor's budget and will be exhausted at the end of FY 2017-2018, at which time the program will be limited to the two (2) CRTs supported by Realignment dollars.
- Commander Fotheringham reported that although the CRTs work closely with other law enforcement agencies, there is no duplication of services in the County as no other agency performs the duties being executed by the CRTs.

- In January 2017 the County Law Enforcement Chiefs (CLEC) discussed the CRTs and shared support for the program's focus. Commander Fotheringham will secure an update from Sheriff Brown as to CLEC's current position on the CRTs.
- A CRT program operations manual is being developed and should be finalized by August. A status report will be delivered to the CCP Workgroup on July 26th.
- The CRTs performed 46 compliance checks of Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) and Post Sentence Supervision (PSS) offenders in April and 63 in May. Nine (9) gift cards were issued in May.
- Deputy Chief Heitman advised that if the CCP Workgroup elected to appeal for further direction from the CCP as to the continued use of Realignment dollars for the CRT, that the request be accompanied by a robust analytical report, inclusive of substantive background and varied options. Attendees voiced a preference for the ongoing receipt of CRT status updates at monthly CCP Workgroup meetings in advance of requesting input from the CCP. There was agreement to table further attempts to discern a method of measuring program effectiveness.

VII. **Alternative Sentencing Update and Planning** – Chief Custody Deputy Vincent Wasilewski

- The following alternative sentencing data from the first quarter of calendar year 2017 was reported:
 - average of 72 bookings onto electronic monitoring (EM) and 62 releases per month
 - average population was 86 offenders per month; of those, nine (9) were Realigned offenders
 - as of June 28, 2017, 119 offenders enrolled in the EM program; of those, 18 were Realigned offenders
 - within the period of June 14-28, 2017, 170 EM applicants were solicited and interviewed; 70 applications remain under review.
- A request was made for a report of the causative factors associated to the decline in EM participants that occurred during the past few years. Commander Powell indicated that as updated EM screening information becomes available, he will continue to modify the previously-circulated EM data spreadsheets and, upon completion, will provide the CCP Workgroup with an update.
- Jail staff have developed a method for “temporary roll-up from EM”, in which an offender must be referred to a drug treatment counselor, a mental health counselor, or some similar type of follow-up before they can be re-released on EM
- In-office visits with jail staff are being instituted for higher risk individuals who have been placed on EM.
- An attempt has been initiated to promote alternative sentencing by providing application and service information directly to the Courts and to the Office of the Public Defender.
- There was discussion regarding alternative sentencing for the un-sentenced incompetent to stand trial (IST) population of offenders. Being that the statutory authorization for the Sheriff's alternative sentencing program is for sentenced inmates, future CCP Workgroup consideration of EM for IST offenders will occur in the pretrial services component of the agenda.

VIII. **“New” FY 2017-2018 Programs**

- The following updates were provided regarding programs added to the County's FY 2017-2018 Realignment Plan:
 - A. **Mental Health Rehabilitation Center (MHRC)** – Dr. Alice Gleghorn and General Services Assistant Director Skip Grey
 - A request for quotation (RFQ) was released for the feasibility study related to the re-purposing of the former Santa Barbara Juvenile Hall for a 15-bed MHRC. There was one (1) respondent to the RFQ and the associated submission was deemed favorable. General Services will facilitate the contract and fee negotiation processes, as well as arrange a site visit. An update will be delivered to the CCP Workgroup in August.

B. Expanded Jail Programming – Chief Custody Deputy Vincent Wasilewski

- Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office (SBSO) staff have continued to work to finalize a contract for the Edovo tablets and it was anticipated that the matter will be presented to the Board of Supervisors (BOS) by July 18th. Upon receipt of BOS approval, the SBSO will move forward on Wi-Fi installation at the jail.
- The SBSO has initiated efforts to fill the positions for the two (2) counselors and the supervisor through an in-County hiring process rather than through a community based organization as previously proposed.
- A quarterly data report will be provided in October.

C. Supervised Pretrial Release – Court Executive Officer Darrel Parker or Designee

- Court staff have been trained on the Virginia Pretrial Risk Assessment Instrument. The Court is working with the Pretrial Justice Institute to arrange additional training.
- Court and Probation staff have met to better define the intensive supervision component and associated protocols. The Deputy Probation Officer positions have not been filled; however, existing staff have been informed of the pending opportunity.
- Attempts have continued to identify a software system that would appropriately manage the pretrial population who are being supervised. Information was solicited from other California counties and it was discovered that many have an in-house access database or utilize mechanisms such as Excel spreadsheets.
- Court executive staff will reengage with representatives from the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) to discuss the proposal for the program's evaluation piece.
- A quarterly data report will be provided in October.

D. Criminal Justice Data Committee – Deputy CEO Dennis Bozanich

- Deputy CEO Bozanich convened his first meeting as Chair of the Criminal Justice Data Committee on June 22nd. The Committee will continue to fall under the auspices of the County Executive Office and although it will report out to the CCP, it will not serve as an official workgroup of the CCP. It was anticipated that future Criminal Justice Data Committee meetings will be held every other month. Participation structure will be discussed at the next meeting.
- John Kuo and Bruce Thomas have continued to work on the Master Name Index (MNI) project. The pilot, in which the SBSO and Probation participated, was extremely successful and access to dashboard information may soon be offered to designated department heads. The potential of bringing in the Court as a third agency in the MNI pilot will be considered.

IX. Update on Stepping Up Initiative and Sequential Intercept Mapping (SIM) – Dr. Alice Gleghorn and Deputy Chief Tanja Heitman

- The CCP agreed to fund SIM and a planning meeting will be held at the SBSO on July 20th.

X. Update on Reentry Steering Committee's (RSC) Community Engagement Efforts – Probation Manager Kimberly Shean and Programs Supervisor Katie Ward

- Information regarding the RSC community engagement opportunity has been publicized via a press release and use of social media outlets.
- An application for RSC membership has been made available on the Probation Department's website.

XI. Realignment Operational Impact Report – Probation Manager Kimberly Shean

- Hard copies of Realignment Operational Impact reports for the months of April and May 2017 were provided. Discussion was tabled for the next CCP Workgroup meeting.

XII. Criminal Justice Funding Opportunity Submissions – Probation Managers Kimberly Shean and Karyn Milligan

- Discussion was tabled for the agenda of the next CCP Workgroup meeting, at which time the pool of money for a grant writer will be considered and a report will be provided on the status of the County’s application for Proposition 47 (Prop. 47) funding. Dr. Gleghorn will secure the related scoring information for CCP Workgroup review. A report will also be provided on second round funding prospects.
- In follow up to a Criminal Justice Funding Opportunity form submitted to the CCP Workgroup on November 30, 2016, it was announced that the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) awarded the Probation Department \$975,000 to implement the Santa Barbara Veterans Entering Treatment Services (SB-VETS) grant program in the Santa Barbara region.

XIII. Confirm Next Meeting and Adjourn – Deputy Chief Tanja Heitman

- The next CCP Workgroup meeting will be on July 26, 2017, at 9:00 a.m. at the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, 117 East Carrillo Street, Santa Barbara, California. Participation via teleconference will be available at the Santa Barbara County Probation Department, 2121 South Centerpointe Parkway, Santa Maria, California.
- The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Patti Stadler, Administrative Office Professional Senior