

**Reentry Steering Committee / Quality Assurance Committee
(RSC/QA)**

September 17, 2020
MEETING MINUTES

Participation by Teleconference pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(b) was available via Zoom

RSC Members in Attendance:

Sylvia Barnard, Good Samaritan Shelter Services
Noel Gomez, designee for Paloma Arnold, Santa Barbara City College
Amy Lopez, designee for John Lewis, Santa Barbara County Department of Behavioral Wellness
Tracy Macuga, Santa Barbara County Public Defender
Carrie Paine, Community Solutions Inc.
Eddie Perez, Impact Prison Ministry
Kimberly Shean, Santa Barbara County Probation
Deirdre Smith, Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office
Vincent Wasilewski, Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Office

RSC Members Absent:

Christina Kelly, Changes Outpatient Wellness Center
Anthony Ivanich, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation
John Savrnock, Santa Barbara County District Attorney's Office

Other Attendees:

Amy Adargo, D&J's Counseling
Emily Allen, United Way
Julius Baldueza, Santa Barbara County Probation
Jennifer Barretto, Community Solutions Inc.
Erica Bottorff, Santa Barbara County Public Defender's Office
Rebecca Christian, The Salvation Army
Barton Clark, Santa Barbara County Probation
Gabriela Dodson, Family Services Agency
Diane Esparza, Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
Christina Grabowsky Viani, Sanctuary Centers
Dana Grossi, Santa Barbara County Probation
Edwin Hodges, Allan Hancock College
Dawnette Kingsley-Smith, Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley
Ginny Kuhn, Prison Yoga
Chuck Madson, Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
Karyn Milligan, Santa Barbara County Probation
Racy Ming, Racy Ming Associates
Alejandra Ochoa, Santa Barbara County Probation
Cheech Raygoza, Allan Hancock College/Beyond Incarceration Greater Education
Bret Reynolds, Good Samaritan Shelters
Sheerin Roberts, Santa Barbara County Public Defender
Roselyne Romero, Santa Barbara County Probation
Rebecca Seldin, Santa Barbara County Public Defender

I. Call to Order/Introductions

- The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. and attendees made self-introductions.

- II. **Approval of Minutes from September 19, 2019, November 21, 2019, and January 16, 2020, and July 16, 2020, RSC Meetings**
- The draft minutes of the September 19, 2019, November 21, 2019, January 16, 2020, and July 16, 2020, Reentry Steering Committee (RSC) meetings were reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Amy Lopez and seconded by Chief Vince Wasilewski. Minutes approved, via vote, as presented.
- III. **Comments from Co-Chairs – Kimberly Shean and Deirdre Smith**
- DCPO Kimberly Shean introduced herself and gave a brief overview of the reasons for changing the format of this Reentry Steering Committee meeting to allow a closer look at current reentry practices to align our efforts with the changing times. In this meeting, time will be taken to outline reentry best practices, identify our current services and programs, and to discuss what goals the RSC may have moving forward.
- IV. **Public Comment – All**
- No comments.
- V. **Reentry Best Practices – All**
- A document was shared regarding a literature review of reentry best practices. During the review the eight fundamental needs for reentry were identified: transportation, clothing/food/amenities, financial resources, documentation (IDs), housing, employment/education, health care, and support systems.
 - A collaborative discussion to identify all current services that address fundamental needs was held. See Attachment A.
- VI. **FY2021 Reentry Steering Committee Priorities – All**
- Breakout groups were tasked with identifying areas of need in our reentry practices. See Attachment B.
- VII. **Community Based Organization Updates – All**
- CSI – Zoom is being utilized for programming, it began as individual sessions and is now being used for groups. There is a push to get everyone on screen with video instead of just calling in. There has been difficulty with accountability due to not conducting testing at this time. Food distribution has increased.
 - AHC – As a reminder, the Big E group has space on campus that is available to any clients, groups like CSI may refer clients to utilize this space.
- VIII. **Calendar Approval – Voting Members**
- The draft calendar for the 2020-2021 Reentry Steering Committee meeting dates was reviewed. A motion to approve was made by Amy Lopez and seconded by Deirdre Smith. Calendar approved, via vote, as presented.
- IX. **Confirm Next Meeting, November 19, 2020, and Adjourn – Kimberly Shean**
- The next RSC meeting will be held on November 19, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom
 - The meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Lesley Stewart, Administrative Office Professional, Senior