# PROBATION DEPARTMENT COUNTY OF SAN MATEO



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Sheriff

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# San Mateo County Community Corrections Partnership Wednesday, November 3, 2021 3:00 p.m. Virtual Webinar

#### **MINUTES**

**Present Members:** 

John KeeneKen ColeLouise RogersEd BarberiniScott GilmanJennifer ValenciaCarlos BolanosKaren FranconeSteve WagstaffeDavid CanepaNancy Magee

**Absent Members:** 

Elisa Kuhl Neal Taniguchi

**Additional Attendees:** 

Martin Fox Jose Villegas Alen Yaghoubi Alma Zamora Ken Jones Michael León Bonnie MacAskill Melissa Wagner Melissa Larrarte Brian Barber Monica Vargas

Catherine LaCroix Noelle Vergara
Connie Juarez-Diroll Yesenia Garnica

Jordan Newell Peter Cruz

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

**II. Public Comment** 

Speakers recognized by the Chair: Mr. Martin Fox, Attorney.

**III. Old Business** 

Approval of minutes from previous meeting -2/17/21: The minutes from the February 17, 2021 meeting were approved as submitted. **M:Rogers /S:Cole**. There were no abstentions.

**IV.New Business** 

Chief Keene addressed Resolution AB361, allowing Boards and Commissions meetings to continue to be conducted virtually, per the state's COVID-19 recommendations. The resolution was adopted by the committee and will be posted to the CCP webpage. M:Bolanos/S:Francone.

## **Update on AB109 Offender Population**

John T. Keene, Chief Probation Officer

- Chief Keene reported on the AB109 population.
- The percentage of successful terminations remains high at 74 percent; there was also an increase in out of county supervisees.
- Accelerated releases from CDCR was halted due to COVID-19; at this time, communication about when releases will resume is still unclear.
- The rate of successful terminations are encouraging but the number of supervisees will likely increase again in the coming months.
- Chief Keene thanked agency partners for their support during the early prison releases due to the pandemic.

#### Questions:

Q: Does CDCR still have a process for case management, or to connect clients to services? A: Now that CDCR is based in San Jose, the day-to-day case management work is no longer being done. Service Connect still receives referrals, but the numbers have dwindled.

Chief Keene mentioned that due to legislation that was approved last year, the Local Implementation Plan (LIP) for the CCP must now be reviewed and submitted to the state on a yearly basis. However, since there are no changes to the plan, an addendum will be added, and the current plan will be submitted again for next year.

#### **Sheriff's Office**

Carlos Bolanos, Sheriff

- Sheriff Carlos Bolanos reported on in-custody and NCRIC AB109 data.
- As of November, there were 406 in custody at the Maguire facility (399 men, 7 women); At the Maple Street facility: 374 (303 men, 71 women). Total in custody: 780.
- 24 inmates have been sentenced to CDCR and are awaiting transport; 29 inmates from state hospitals have been sentenced and are awaiting transfer.
- Since March 2020, there were 145 positive COVID-19 cases among inmates; 92 recovered in the facility, while 53 were released in COVID-positive status. There were no hospitalizations due to COVID-19.
- Total inmates vaccinated: 827; of that number, 706 are fully vaccinated. The vaccination rate for new bookings is 5%; staff vaccination rate is 85%.
- Since January 2021 there have been 4,658 COVID-19 tests administered to inmates.

#### **Human Services Agency**

Jennifer Valencia, Director of Employment Services

- Jennifer Valencia reported on CalFresh, Service Connect, and housing and employment benefits.
- Referrals among the unified reentry population is at 50%; virtual intakes continue at the Maguire and Maple Street facilities.
- CalFresh benefits remains the most requested service from clients.

- The employment market is high; wages are up to \$20.93 per hour, with 46% of employment being unsubsidized.
- Workshops are being conducted in the jail (both virtual and on site); cell phones are issued to clients to provide them with an internet connection.
- Support services are lower; in-person peer support services is still offered, and several job fairs are being held outdoors throughout the county.

#### **Questions**

**Q:** Are there any ideas on ways to remove the barriers preventing client participation? A: During the pandemic, clients had trouble acquiring the documentation needed to apply for work (ID, drivers licenses, etc.). However, this has decreased in recent months.

#### **Health System**

Scott Gilman, Director of BHRS

• Scott Gilman reported for the Health System and BHRS

There was a 50 percent drop in enrollment from previous. It's believed that the decrease is due in part, to the pandemic since some buildings were closed, or access to them was limited. However, the data was re-run due to uncharacteristically low numbers. The root cause for the decrease hasn't been identified yet but is still under review. (The report will be updated and resubmitted in the coming months.)

### **Questions**

Q: Amphetamine use remains high. Is there a trend in San Mateo County of fentanyl being masked as other drugs?

**A:** Yes. Local emergency rooms have reported a significant increase in fentanyl-related drug overdoses, and a few deaths. As a preventative strategy, more testing strips will be provided to hospitals to help identify and treat fentanyl overdose.

#### V. 2022 CCP Meetings

All meetings to be held from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The meetings for 2022 will be held in May and November to allow for a budget discussion. Quarterly reports will still be sent out and posted to the website. Future CCP meetings are scheduled to be virtual until future notice.

- May 25 (budget discussion)
- November 9

Adjournment: 4:00 p.m.