

STANISLAUS COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

Meeting Minutes

Friday – September 20, 2013

Stanislaus County Probation Department – Training Room

MEMBERS/DESIGNEES PRESENT

JILL SILVA, Chief Probation Officer, Chair
ADAM CHRISTIANSON, Sheriff
BIRGIT FLADAGER, District Attorney
SONNY SANDHU for Timothy P. Bazar, Public Defender
CAPT. JOEL BROUMAN, for Galen Carrol, Chief of Police, Modesto Police Department
MADELYN SCHLAEPFER, Director, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
WILLIAM O'BRIEN, Board of Supervisors
TERRY WITHROW, Board of Supervisors
STEPHANIE KENNEDY for Rebecca Fleming, Superior Court
KRISTIE SANTOS for Kathryn Harwell, Director, Community Services Agency
STAN RISEN, CEO
MIKE HAMASAKI, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department
STEVE JACKSON, Division Director, Probation Department
KAREN CURCI, Administrative Services Manager, Probation Department
DEBRA BUCKLES, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
GAY MCDANIEL, District Attorney's Office
ALAN CASSIDY, District Attorney's Office
DAN WIRTZ, Sheriff's Department
LT. RON LLOYD, Sheriff's Department
DAVE CHAPMAN, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
MARC ROGERS, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
MARK FERRIERA, Supervising Probation Manager, Probation Department
ERIC MCLOUGHLIN, IT Manager, Probation Department

MEMBERS ABSENT

CINDY DUENAS, Director, Center for Human Services
JEFF ROWE, Alliance WorkNet
THOMAS CHAGNON, Stanislaus County Office of Education

GUESTS PRESENT

DANE HELDING, Nirvana
JULIE BAKER, Second Chances
PAUL DELGADO, El Concilio
DPO DEANNA DEANDA, Probation Department
JOSE L., PRCS Probationer
YAMILET VALLADOLID, El Concilio
STEVEN RAMIRO, El Concilio
KEVIN CARROLL, Modesto Gospel Mission
PHAL OU, Case Worker, BHRS

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m. by Chief Probation Officer Jill Silva. Members of the group introduced themselves. Representatives from Nirvana (Dane Holding), El Concilio, (Yamilet Valladolid, Steven Ramior and Paul Delgado), Second Chances (Julie Baker) and Modesto Gospel Mission (Kevin Carroll). DPO Deanna DeAnda, BHRS Caseworker Phal Ou, and PRCS probationer Jose L. were also present.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No members of the public were present.

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 8, 2013 MEETING**

MOTION: Sheriff Adam Christianson. SECOND: Capt. Joel Broumas. The minutes of the August 8, 2013 meeting were approved unanimously.

4. **REALIGNMENT CASE PRESENTATION**

Chief Silva noted that at the last CCP meeting the request was made to bring in a client of the PRCS units to present their case. PRCS DPO Deanna DeAnda, who works with the Integrated Forensics Team (IFT), outlined the services provided by the IFT and noted that this is a voluntary program for those released from the CDCR. DPO DeAnda introduced BHRS caseworker Phal Ou and Mr. Jose L., a PRCS client. Jose was released from the CDCR system in August 2012 and has successfully completed the program in August 2013 with no new law violations and no flash incarcerations. Jose relayed his story to the group noting that Probation helped him obtain the services he needed and he participated in the IFT program because of mental health issues. He started taking medication, regularly sees the IFT physician, and works closely with his caseworker. He expressed gratitude to the Probation Department, IFT program, and his caseworker Phal Ou. He explained how difficult it was to be away from his family while incarcerated and, after his release, he wanted to change his drug habits and crime involvement. Jose proudly proclaimed he has been clean from drugs since March 7, 2011. He will continue to receive services from BHRS and will begin searching for a job when he feels he is able to properly perform the required job duties. He emphasized that because of the help he has received, he views police officers and probation officers very differently and with appreciation. Chief Silva thanked Jose for sharing his story and the committee applauded him for his efforts and continued success.

5. **CCP PROGRAMS UPDATE**

The following is an update on the CCP programs:

A. **Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) and Intensive Supervision Unit (ISU):**

Marci Rogers, Supervising Probation Officer, reported that the contracts with Nirvana and El Concilio are in effect. The "Thinking for a Change" class has been completed and one of the graduates will be invited to the next CCP meeting. Chief Silva advised that the statistical report for these units was sent by e-mail to the group and will be disbursed that way in the future. Dave Chapman, Supervising Probation Officer, noted that the number of cases received continues to increase and there has been no decrease in numbers for over ten months. In evaluating the demographics, there are no disproportionate groups except one category. The population of the PRCS units mirrors that of Stanislaus County as to race, ethnicity, and male/female, except for the African American population—in this area, the county reports 2.9% of the population and in the PRCS units this race accounts for 10-14% of the population.

B. **Day Reporting Center (DRC):** Mark Ferriera, Supervising Probation Officer, reviewed graphs that were distributed (attached to original copy of minutes) regarding the trends being seen in the mandatory supervision cases and the number of offenders in DRC programming:

1. **Mandatory Supervision Releases and Mandatory Supervision Violations Submitted to the Court:** This graph depicts the trends that have been seen in the number of mandatory supervision cases where the offenders have satisfied their jail commitment and have been released for mandatory supervision for the period January 2013 to August 2013. The number of cases has nearly tripled in that time period. Also shown is the number of violations of mandatory supervision for this same time period and there has been a significant increase in the number of violations. As a result, more violations have had to be written and submitted to the Courts.
2. **Number of Offenders in the DRC Programming for 2013:** This graph shows the increase in the numbers of participants in the DRC programming from January 2013 to August 2013. Because of this increase, eight new classes have been added and the existing drug and alcohol class has been split into two new class groups. There have been a number of graduates from the programs and some of these graduates will be invited to address the CCP at future meetings.

SPO Ferriera noted that some of the offenders are taking multiple classes depending on their needs. An evidence-based assessment tool is utilized for predicting their needs and based on this assessment, the probationer is enrolled in classes at the DRC. Motivational interviewing techniques are utilized by the DPO's in order to get the clients engaged in the classes.

- C. **Jail Report:** Lt. Ron Lloyd, Sheriff's Department, reported that as of today, there were 81 1170(h) offenders in custody which accounts for two-thirds of the sentenced population. Early releases are at 80%. The grand opening for unit two occurred last week, but has not yet been occupied. As soon as this unit opens within the next two weeks, the number of early releases should decrease and offenders should be detained for longer periods of time and receive in-custody programming.
- D. **Integrated Forensics Team:** Debra Buckles, BHRS, reported the following statistics:
- 59 individuals are enrolled in the IFT and mental health treatment court programs not funded by CCP.
 - The IFT funded by CCP has 48 individuals in the program.
 - The mental health detention team is servicing 29 individuals in custody.
 - Adult Drug Court has 46 participants.
 - Day Reporting Center: 18
 - Two drug and alcohol programs are offered. One with AWP with 11 individuals enrolled and one assigned to in-custody with 7 enrolled.
- E. **CSA:** Kristie Santos reported that CSA staff is preparing for healthcare reform open enrollment on October 1st. On Monday, September 23rd, a half-day conference is being offered at the Sutter Gould Medical Foundation Health Education Center regarding healthcare reform and the impact on clients served. Ms. Santos reported on the linkage with AB720 and having to enroll incarcerated individuals within 72 hours. Meetings are being held regarding the impact of this legislation. Many changes are anticipated by January 2014.
- F. **District Attorney's Office:** DA Fladager reported that a new Victim Advocate will start on Monday, September 23rd.
- G. **Nirvana:** Michael Bagley reported that four clients have been referred to the program. Two of these referrals were no-shows. One client was in the program for eleven days until he was randomly drug tested with positive results and left the program. The other referral should be arriving on September 27th.
- H. **El Concilio:** Yamilet Valladolid introduced Paul Delgado and Steven Ramiro, the case managers for the Stanislaus County program. A sub-committee has been formed to meet with the various agencies to offer programs. A presentation has been made to the Probation Department and another presentation is scheduled for next week to the PRCS units regarding referrals.
- I. **Second Chances:** Chief Silva explained that modifications have been made to the referral process for the Second Chances program. Previously offenders had to complete their AWP commitment and then be referred by Probation. Now the referrals will come from the Sheriff's Office and the offenders will be identified sooner for this program. Julie Baker reported that they are teaching a class to in-custody offenders (AWP and home detention) to prepare the individuals before they are released which has been a key component to the recovery process. Ms. Baker noted that a graduate of this program applied to Amazon.com for a job and was turned down. A coalition has been formed by Second Chances, El Concilio and Nirvana to work together to contact large corporations to have an agreement with them to hire individuals with a criminal background. The coalition will meet monthly to learn about the different services provided by the organizations in order to serve the PRCS clientele more efficiently.

6. FISCAL UPDATE

Karen Curci, Probation Department, advised that there has been a delay in making payments because the CCP plan did not go to the Board of Supervisors for approval until July and contracts are now getting finalized. She noted that more providers are involved in Phase 3, and it is important to invoice for CCP funds according to what was outlined in the CCP plan.

Chief Silva reported that the RAC has developed a revised funding formula for determining the growth funds for each County. An increase of \$800,000 has been recommended for Stanislaus County in an attempt to close the gap between counties receiving larger amount of CCP funding. Data has been gathered and charts developed, and Supervisor Chiesa contacted Diane Cummins from the Department of Finance (DOF), and a meeting has been scheduled for Monday, September 23rd to attempt to discuss the funding differences. Chief Silva outlined the allocation in comparison with the average daily population at the year-four rollout. The DOF anticipated that numbers would stabilize in year four of realignment. The DOF projected 1,000 ADP and actually, the number is at 1,500. The allocation per ADP with the new revise only gained \$833 per ADP. The growth funding formula will not fix the discrepancy in the CCP funding formula. She noted that having a prison in the county and the number of adults in the population were factors used to determine the amount of CCP funds allocated to counties.

7. COMMENTS

Sheriff Christianson reported on a success story that was relayed during the Salvation Army Advisory Board meeting. An offender who has been in and out of the prison system with a family history of substance abuse, successfully completed the ARC program in Stockton and has obtained employment. Chief Silva noted there is a realignment report available looking at risk assessment factors statewide to determine the needs of AB109 offenders.

Chief Silva reported that dialogue has been initiated with parole regarding the utilization of their unused treatment beds. Dane Holding, from Nirvana, noted that offenders on parole are eligible for treatment beds through NSG funding, but that the funding stops when the offender is referred to PRCS or Probation.

DA Fladager mentioned a Stanford Law School survey sent to DA's throughout the State for information of how their offices charge and how they plea bargain certain cases. She completed the survey and contacted the professor regarding the format of the survey.

Chief Silva advised that the Crime Analyst has left the department and recruitment for a new Crime Analyst has begun.

8. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE

The next CCP meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, October 22, 2013, at 11:30 a.m. in the Probation Department.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.