

STANISLAUS COUNTY

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes Monday – December 01, 2025 Stanislaus County Probation Department

MEMBERS/DESIGNEES PRESENT

MARK FERRIERA, Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department
BROOKE FREEMAN FOR JEFF DIRKSE, Sheriff, Sheriff's Department
JEFF LAUGERO, District Attorney, District Attorney's Office
JENNIFER JENNISON, Public Defender, Public Defender's Office
BRANDON GILLESPIE, Chief, Modesto Police Department

GUESTS:

Tracie Martin, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department
Vicki Martin, Administrative Services Manager, Probation Department
Raul Dominguez, Division Director, Probation Department
Ryan Maxwell, Sheriff's Office

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 p.m. by Chief Probation Officer Mark Ferriera. Members of the group present at the meeting were identified.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were present.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM JUNE 24, 2025, MEETING

MOTION: Brandon Gillespie. SECOND: Jeff Laugero. The June 24, 2025, meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

4. PUBLIC DEFENDER HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES/HUB PROGRAM

The Public Defender's Office has opened the "Hub" as a community-based resource center to help fill the service gaps left by the Homeboy Industries Program. It functions as a one-stop shop for individuals affected by the system, operating with limited staff and grant funding. Due to the inactive status of the Homeboy Industries Program, the CCP Executive Committee discussed Public Defender Jennifer Jennison's request to reallocate approximately \$215,000 from the Homeboy Industries program's budget to maintain funding for the existing .25 Manager, 1 Client Support Specialist, and to allocate funds for a new Legal Clerk I/II/III position.

There is concern that, given the program's uncertain future and limited resources, continuing CCP funding for Homeboy Industries may not be the best use of funds and that the allocation might be better directed toward other CCP budget priorities.

MOTION: Jeff Laugero Second: Brandon Gillespie. To reallocate approximately \$215,000 of the Public Defender's former Homeboy Industries Project funds to support the Public Defender's Hub Program, funding three positions: a Client Support Specialist, a .25 Manager, and a Legal Clerk I/II/III, was approved unanimously.

5. SHERIFF'S REQUEST TO TRANSFER FUNDING INTO THE RECREATIONAL YARD PROJECT

The Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) Adult Title 15 Regulations now require 10 hours of weekly out-of-cell time for each incarcerated individual, up from the standard 3 hours, which the Sheriff's Office's current setup cannot meet. To address this, a request was discussed to reallocate \$224,870 from the Corrections Treatment Team budget to the Recreation Yards Construction Project as a one-time transfer for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026. The recreation yard expansion, scheduled to start in January 2026, is a \$10 million project, with approximately \$3.1 million in CCP funding already approved by the CCP Executive Committee.

Discussion about the ongoing funding for the Corrections Treatment Team, which is currently inactive, will be forthcoming.

MOTION: Brandon Gillespie Second: Jennifer Jennison. To allow the Sheriff's Office to reallocate \$224,870 from the Corrections Treatment Team budget to the Recreation Yards Construction Project as a one-time transfer for FY 2026.

6. FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2026 FIRST QUARTER CCP SPENDING

Current spending trends show that in FY 2025, approximately \$4.6 million was drawn from the fund balance, below the projected \$11 million but still significant. Spending reached 83% of the CCP budget, and at this pace, the fund balance may be depleted by FY 2029. CCP revenues, driven by state sales tax, are expected to remain flat.

The CCP Executive Committee noted that actual salary increases exceed the 3% budgeted escalators, indicating the need to adjust salary costs.

Concerns about long-term financial sustainability persist, leading to increased caution around new proposals and anticipation of difficult budget decisions if funding continues to decline.

The Executive Committee will reconvene on March 12, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. for a more detailed budget review and consideration of new funding requests.

The upcoming proposal window for the year runs from January 1 to February 14.

The meeting adjourned at 10:54 a.m.