

# STANISLAUS COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

## Meeting Minutes

Friday – July 12, 2011

Stanislaus County Probation Department – Training Room

### MEMBERS/DESIGNEES PRESENT

CHIEF JERRY POWERS, Chief Probation Officer, Chair, Probation Department  
JILL SILVA, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department  
MICHAEL TOZZI, Court Executive Officer, Superior Court of California  
SHERIFF ADAM CHRISTIANSON, Sheriff's Department  
TIMOTHY P. BAZAR, Public Defender  
BIRGIT FLADAGER, District Attorney  
MADELYN SCHLAEPFER, Director, BHRS  
CHRISTINE APPEGATE, Director, Community Services Agency  
CINDY DUENAS, Center for Human Services  
JEFF ROWE, Director, Alliance WorkNet  
MIKE HAMASAKI, Division Director, Probation Department  
LT. BRENDA SUAREZ, Sheriff's Department  
CAPT. WILLIAM DUNCAN, Sheriff's Department  
DORIS FOSTER, Chief Executive Office

### MEMBERS ABSENT

DICK MONTEITH, Chairman, Board of Supervisors  
CHIEF MICHAEL HARDEN, Modesto Police Department  
THOMAS CHANGNON, Stanislaus County Office of Education

#### 1. **INTRODUCTIONS**

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by Chief Jerry Powers. Members of the partnership introduced themselves.

#### 2. **UPDATE**

Chief Powers advised that Governor Brown had signed the State budget with trailer bills. He noted that the parole realignment is scheduled to happen effective October 1, 2011. Functionally, inmates released from State prison will become the responsibility of the County. Chief Powers discussed the impact on the County jails. He noted that the impact to the Courts has been delayed until 2013. Funding has been set aside for the Public Defender's Office and District Attorney's Office.

Chief Powers explained that this process has deadlines for the County and CCP. The County must designate a local entity responsible for the supervision of parolees and has to delegate a 7<sup>th</sup> member of the CCP Executive Committee. An agenda item is being prepared to address these issues to be presented to the Board of Supervisors at the July 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. By October 1<sup>st</sup>, a plan must be presented to the Board of Supervisors for the realignment.

#### 3. **THE NUMBERS**

Chief Powers reviewed handouts (a copy of which are attached to the original of these minutes). The first handout outlined the 2011-12 AB 109 Allocations that have been assigned to the Counties. Stanislaus County will receive approximately \$6 million for AB 109 programs and approximately \$215,000 has been allocated for DA/PD activities. A one-time allocation of approximately \$424,000 has been designated for training/retention purposes and another one-time allocation of \$150,000 has been allocated for CCP planning.

The next handout outlined the estimated impact of AB 109 – the number of persons not sent to State prison as new admissions or parole violators with new terms. Stanislaus County will average about 37 individuals per month or 402 per year. Parole violators are not expected to impact jails.

Another handout projected institution discharges to post release to counties. It is estimated that Stanislaus County will receive approximately 944 inmates during the time period of October 2011 to September 2013. The number of inmates decreases as the months pass because of fewer individuals in the State system.

Finally, Chief Powers reviewed a handout of 2010 Revocations which indicated the parole ADP (average daily population) for this county to be approximately 1,800 individuals with the post-release community supervision group estimated at 60%. The CCP will need to work with the Courts to devise a system for a post-release supervision tail on these individuals. The system developed will need a probation component of local supervision equivalent to the State side of parole. Chief Powers projected that the present system of sentencing, jails, and probation will be very different by next year. Jail time needs to be utilized only for those who deserve jail. He noted that jail as punishment will no longer be used and that jail will only be for taking the worst of the worst off the streets.

Chief Powers explained that the \$6 million appropriated to the county will be for nine months of operation. CCP must recommend appropriate out-of-custody programs to the Board of Supervisors. Chief Powers noted that Stanislaus County already has a strong infrastructure of programs in place, such as jail alternatives, the Day Reporting Center, and Drug Court, which will need to be expanded since these out-of-custody programs are more cost effective than in-custody programs.

The group discussed the concern the State has over the fire camps used to house inmates. In order to keep these camps in operation and occupied by inmates, it is possible that a contracting-back system could be put in place since these camps provide vital fire-fighting services to the State.

#### 4. **NEXT STEPS**

Chief Powers noted that CCP should approach this planning systematically, working with the numbers provided. The committee must figure out how to absorb the parole population with the appropriate expansion of present facilities and programs. He suggested that work groups be established to outline a plan of action to present to the Board of Supervisors to indicate the appropriate programs and personnel needed. A community component is necessary since re-entry is important, i.e. jobs, social services, and counseling. The physical and mental health limitations of the parolees are also issues to be considered.

The group discussed the possibility of meeting with the editorial board of the Modesto Bee to educate the public and address any citizen fears. Chief Powers expects that inmates will come out of the local system in a better position than coming out of the State system.

#### 5. **FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, at noon, in the Probation Department Training Room. The Chief asked each group to get together before this meeting to evaluate current capacity and a profile of the offenders to determine the impact of the next nine months starting on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.