

STANISLAUS COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

Meeting Minutes

Thursday – February 21, 2019

Stanislaus County Probation Department – Training Room

MEMBERS/STAFF PRESENT

MIKE HAMASAKI, Chief Probation Officer, Chair
LETICIA RUANO, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department
JEFF DIRKSE, Sheriff
BIRGIT FLADAGER, District Attorney
MARISELA OLIVA, Victim's Advocate, District Attorney's Office
LAURA ARNOLD, Public Defender
MAUREEN KELLER, Public Defender's Office
TERRY WITHROW, Board of Supervisors
DORIS FOSTER, Workforce Development
RICHARD DEGETTE, Director, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
DEBRA BUCKLES, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
CHANDRA CAMPBELL, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
KATHRYN HARWELL, Director, Community Services Agency
CHRISTINE HUBER, Director, Community Services Agency
JODY HAYES, CEO
ANGELICA RAMOS, CEO's Office
TINA ROCHA, CEO's Office
DORIS FOSTER, Workforce Development
SGT. PEDRO BELTRAN, Sheriff's Office
LT. SCOTT HOUSTON, Sheriff's Office
DEPUTY CODY MADEROS, Sheriff's Office
DEPUTY STEVEN ROSALES, Sheriff's Office
TRISHA BIRCHARD, Modesto Police Department
CLINT FARIA, State Parole
KANDY RAKONCZA, State Parole
EMILY HERRERA, Division Director, Realignment Manager, Probation Department
JANICE CREE, Data Research Manager, Probation Department
MARTHA CHIODINI, Crime Analyst, Probation Department
ERIC MCLOUGHLIN, IT Manager, Probation Department
VICKI MARTIN, Administrative Services Manager, Probation Department
BELINDA PUTNAM, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
JOHN BETTENCOURT, Deputy Probation Officer III, Probation Department
MARIANA RUANO, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
MARC ROGERS, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
DAVID COSTA, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department

MEMBERS ABSENT

STEPHANIE KENNEDY, Superior Court
CINDY DUENAS, Director, Center for Human Services
GALEN CARROLL, Chief of Police, Modesto Police Department
SCOTT KUYKENDALL, Stanislaus County Office of Education

GUESTS PRESENT

DANE HELDING, Nirvana
KAREN BLADES, Friends Outside
JOSH CRUZ, Learning Quest

MICHAEL BAGLEY, Nirvana
KARA WASHINGTON, Learning Quest

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The meeting was called to order at 11:40 a.m. by Chief Probation Officer Mike Hamasaki. Members of the group introduced themselves. Representatives from Friends Outside (Karen Blades), Nirvana (Michael Bagley and Dane Holding) and Learning Quest (Kara Washington and Josh Cruz) were present.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment received.

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 2, 2018 MEETING**

MOTION: DA Birgit Fladager. SECOND: Sheriff Jeff Dirkse. The minutes of the November 2, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously.

4. **DAY REPORTING CENTER (DRC) CLASS REVIEW CONCLUSION**

Crime & Intelligence Analyst Trisha Birchard presented the following Class Review Conclusion information (The Day Reporting Center Class Study and Class Review Conclusion report and presentation attached to original of minutes):

- Overview of Report: The purpose of this report was to establish a baseline of the classes at the DRC. The timeframe studied was January 2013 through December 2017. The number of referrals was 5,478; 2,918 individuals received referrals and 2,362 individuals participated in at least one class. The BSCC definition of recidivism was used with a slight modification to three years from end of class.
- Key Findings found programming works, however, participation is a challenge.
- Referral Outcomes: 17.8% of the referrals completed; 28.2% of those who were referred to a class never attended; and 54.1% terminated. Court-mandated classes had the highest participation rate.
- Recidivism by Referral Outcome: 45.3% of individuals who did not complete class (terminated or never attended) recidivated within the first three months.
- Completed Recidivism Outcome: 79.4% of participants who completed class did NOT recidivate.
- Completed and Recidivism by Risk: Regardless of risk level, 79.7% of the individuals who completed did NOT recidivate. Commitment to complete class(es) reduced the risk of re-offending to approximately 20%.
- Challenges in Report: There was a data limitation for classes with less than one year duration. For long-term and open-ended classes, an above average termination rate and a below average completion rate was found. The all or nothing approach does not provide an accurate measure of class' merit or participation progress.
- Recommendations:
 - Survey participants to identify obstacles to attendance and strategies to remove those obstacles.
 - Modify classes and supervision strategies during the first 90 days for individuals who do not complete class.
 - Strengthen family ties and involvement in the rehabilitation process.
 - Work in partnership with courts, community, and government entities to identify strategies which encourage participation, positively impact behavior, and increase the individual's potential to succeed.

ACPO Leticia Ruano commented that court-mandated classes are ordered depending on the charges. Certain charges mandate attendance at class as dictated by the penal code, such as the domestic violence class. CPO Hamasaki advised the Probation Department and partner agencies are working with Dr. LaTessa and his team from the University of Cincinnati to determine how to have better participation rates.

5. **COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP BYLAWS**

Chief Hamasaki advised Realignment Manager Mark Ferreira was transferred to the Juvenile Institutions and Emily Herrera, the former Adult Field Services Division Director, will be the new Realignment Manager. Prior to this transfer, Mr. Ferreira created a bylaws document, which was reviewed and adopted by the CCP Executive Committee on January 15, 2019.

6. REVIEW FY2019-2020 CCP PLAN

Chief Hamasaki reported the CCP Executive Committee met on January 15, 2019 and February 7, 2019 to review, and subsequently approved, the following proposals for the FY2019-2020 CCP Plan:

- a. Public Defender's Office: Proposed to fund increases for two contracted CSA Social Worker positions. The amounts for these two positions will be funded at the rate specified in their Memorandum of Understanding from FY2018-2019 to the conclusion of their current MOU. In addition, a request for \$50,000 to cover the Lead Social Worker contract currently in the Public Defender's Office for FY2019-2020 was proposed.
- b. Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS): Proposed to add a Behavioral Health Coordinator position, in the amount of \$119,732, to oversee the BHRS Specialists in the CCP program.

Chief Hamasaki advised the FY2019-2020 CCP Plan will be presented to the Board of Supervisors at the April 2, 2019 meeting. The Annual Report is being completed and will be sent to the CCP Executive Committee for review and will then be forwarded to the CCP Committee.

7. REPORTS: PROGRAM UPDATES

Probation Department: ACPO Leticia Ruano reported the Probation Department is working with the University of Cincinnati staff who have been training the substance abuse providers and Nirvana has already implemented this programming. In the next week they will be providing a CBT-type training to internal staff as well as juvenile and adult programming providers. The University of Cincinnati is also working on an evidence-based domestic violence class, which is the 52-week program and will be the first in the State to be offered.

Realignment Manager Emily Herrera reported the CCP Executive Committee approved programming provided by community-based organizations through the RFP process for a two-year contract cycle in place of the one-year contract previously utilized.

Victim Services: Marisela Oliva, District Attorney's Office, reported the following for November 2, 2018 to February 21, 2019:

- 52 new restitution cases were received.
- 27 victim restitution requests were submitted.
- Nirvana's Women of Hope class had 53 attendees. This is a victim restitution education class and four presentations were given from November 2018 to February 2019.
- Victim restitution education classes were provided to CCILS class, starting on January 21, 2019 with six attendees.
- 128 CCP clients received restitution education.
- Probation Orientation Meeting – 69 clients served.
- Probation Information requests: 47 Criminal Protective Order requests from November 2018 to current.

Learning Quest: Josh Cruz reported there were 156 participants in the College Readiness class with 84 completions. The Career Readiness class had 103 completions and the Money Management class had 91 completions.

Jail: Sgt. Beltran reported the following:

- For the last calendar year, a total of 528 inmates completed at least one course while they were in custody.
- A 12-week session is currently being held at the REACT facility from January 15, 2019 to April 19, 2019. At the present time, there is a limit on the number of inmates who can attend class and 114 are presently in programming. The population at REACT is 148 which is 47% of capacity.
- The military veterans program is available to those in custody which will complement services offered at Veterans Court when out of custody.

- Vocational programming is being revamped with a new landscape deputy revising this program. Modesto City Schools is using the same site to offer a welding program and offenders will be connected to continue this program upon their release.
- Contract has been signed with Animal Services for the FETCH program (Facilitating Education Training and Corrections Through Honest Work). This program will start with five females from REACT.

Friends Outside: Karen Blades reported there were 62 enrollees in the program. Twelve individuals were placed in permanent positions with an additional 12 in a holding place in jobs and assessing engagement. There were 16 rollover enrollees from last year with 16 placed in jobs. There is a low recidivism rate because of the guidelines in place of following clients for one year.

Community Services Agency (CSA): Kathryn Harwell, Director, reported the Family Services Specialist located at the Day Reporting Center had 128 applicants from June to December 2018 for general assistance, CalFresh and MediCal. She stressed how important it is to link class participants to these services while they are at the DRC.

Workforce Development: Doris Foster reported Workforce Development currently has a contract with Friends Outside for \$300,000 and yesterday they signed a contract with the State for \$19,000 in programming dollars to evaluate how to operate differently. They also submitted \$700,000 for the next two years. Ms. Foster noted she would like to collaborate with the Probation Department and Parole to discuss how to connect with offenders and assist them with finding jobs. She advised Workforce Development has specific funding for veterans, who are a main priority, and a veterans committee has been formed among their board members.

Nirvana: Michael Bagley noted Nirvana is beginning their second class since the opening of the REACT Center. There are three facilitators going to this facility and he complimented REACT on the process of getting into and out of the facility and the classroom setup available.

BHRS: Chondra Campbell reported BHRS is also working closely with the Probation Department and the University of Cincinnati in implementing the CBI programming at the DRC. They are considering revamping the Drug Court curriculum. For last fiscal year, the IOT Substance Abuse program at the DRC served 109 clients and the Mental Health program served 229 clients. An encouraging fact shared was that 65% of the clients served by the IOT programming last year stayed in treatment for at least 28 days.

8. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting date will be set for May 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.