



PROBATION DEPARTMENT



Kalisa Rochester
Chief Probation Officer

Adult Services Committee of the Local Community Corrections Partnership (CCP)

Meeting Minutes

May 6, 2021 at 10:00 AM

Meeting via BlueJeans

CCP Committee Members and Guests Present

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| 1. | Christopher Henn, Deputy Chief Probation Officer (Chair) | Probation Department |
| 2. | Sarah Marsh, Director of Administrative Services | Probation Department |
| 3. | Lisa Maples, Deputy Chief Probation Officer | Probation Department |
| 4. | Joel Daffron, Program Manager | Probation Department |
| 5. | Joseph Owens, Program Manager | Probation Department |
| 6. | Shoua Her, Acting Program Manager | Probation Department |
| 7. | Dionne Loera, Supervising Probation Officer | Probation Department |
| 8. | Eddie Hazel, Supervising Probation Officer | Probation Department |
| 9. | Mariela Gutierrez, Supervising Probation Officer | Probation Department |
| 10. | Tristin Gresham, Program Specialist | Probation Department |
| 11. | Melvin McKinney, Peer Support Specialist | Probation Department |
| 12. | Jeff Coburn, Captain | Merced Sheriff's |
| 13. | Brittany Howell, Corrections Officer | Merced Sheriff's |
| 14. | John Hendon, Corrections Officer | Merced Sheriff's |
| 15. | Jessica Mazlum, Business Development Director, Western Region | BI/GEO Group |
| 16. | Humberto Sanchez, Central California Regional Manager | BI/GEO Group |
| 17. | Reno Bandoni, Supervising Case Manager | BI/GEO Group |
| 18. | Feliza Gray, Deputy Director | Human Services Agency |
| 19. | Holly Newlon, Director of Educational Services | Merced County Office of Education |
| 20. | Toula Eccles, Career Educator | Merced County Office of Education |
| 21. | David Carr, Director of Bridge to Hope | Merced Rescue Mission |
| 22. | Genevieve Valentine, Director | Behavioral Health & Recovery Services |
| 23. | Jeff Sabeau, Division Director | Behavioral Health & Recovery Services |
| 24. | Lindsey Johnson, Management Analyst | Merced County CEO's Office |
| 25. | Justin Melden, Commander | Los Banos Police Department |
| 26. | Dave Lockridge, Executive Director | ACE Overcomers |
| 27. | Monika Grasley, Executive Director | LifeLine CDC |

Meeting commenced at 10:00 AM.

- I. **Introductions**
Chris Henn introduced himself and welcomed everyone.

- II. **Public Comment**
There was no public comment.

III. **Approval of Minutes- February 4, 2021**

Holly Newlon motioned to approve/Melvin McKinney seconded/Motion carried unanimous.

IV. **Deputy Chief Henn Updates**

Chris Henn presented updates. The power point presentation will be included with the minutes. He reported on the following items:

- The Day Reporting Center has closed in Los Banos. The last day was last Friday.
- Breaking Barriers is up and running. We have staff from BHRS, WorkNet and Probation in place. The hope is to have the Phoenix Project there in June. We are working on getting ACE and PACT out in Los Banos as well. We are also working on getting all of the services provided listed on a monthly calendar. Every attempt is being made to get the services the clients need. Breaking Barriers will provide services for the entire family and not just the client. An open house will be scheduled in the near future.
- Pre-trial services will look differently due to the Humphries Act. Bail guidelines are changing drastically. We have Probation Assistants working on the Bail Reviews. BHRS will have clinicians located in our pre-trial building at Courtroom 11. We may be able to get a Probation Officer there as well. We have to make sure the clients are getting the correct court process needed.

V. **Budget FY 2020/2021**

Sarah Marsh reported on the finances for 2020-21, third quarter. We are status quo for now. We may need to look at some contracts to bring them back up to the funding previously allotted prior to the reductions. The budget for 2021-22 has been submitted to the CEO's office for review. There were no many changes. She went over some specific areas of expenditures in the budget. We will have some savings due to COVID which may allow us to increase some of the contracts and deposit some funds back into the trust.

VI. **Leadership for Life Update**

Chris Henn reported on the data received for Leadership for Life. He shared information on cohort 25. Things are going really well. We have a cohort also at Breaking Barriers. Chris went over the enrollment, graduates and success stories.

VII. **LifeLine Community Development Corporation**

The PACT Program met in February and March. He went over the attendance numbers. Monika Grasley shared a story of a client that just graduated with a bachelor's degree. She expressed how he is helping give back to the community and as well as taking ownership and helping future generations.

VIII. **Day Reporting Centers-Merced/Los Banos**

Chris Henn went over the data. We are tracking this data a little differently now. We were previously only counting graduates. Now we will be tracking neutral discharges as well. He explained the differences. Humberto Sanchez expanded on the process. This is very intensive program to complete. Positive things are happening with the program.

Chris went over a survey that was conducted. Clients participated in the survey and Reno Bandoni gave a breakdown of the specific program details and presented the related data. Clients also had the opportunity to recognize staff. There is new program for batter's intervention. He gave details on the groups, both male and female groups. They are currently taking referrals.

IX. **Other Programs/Strategies**

Chris Henn went over the information for all of the following programs.

Incentives and Sanctions

- He shared all the data and referral information. The top three (3) incentives this quarter were verbal affirmations, snacks and early GPS Removal. The top three (3) sanctions this quarter were verbal reprimands, any level two sanction and any level one sanction.

Educational and Vocational Services: Phoenix Project

- He gave the data for the Phoenix Project. There were five (5) graduates for this quarter. We have three (3) who are gainfully employed.
- He went over the recidivism data and the success stories.
- Toula Eccles explained some of the challenges with limited participation in the trucking program due to COVID. It is a four (4) to six (6)-week program but they have to be drug free, including marijuana. She always tells the clients up front this is a requirement.

Transitional Housing

- Data was given for this project. We have used 671 bed days this quarter.
- We have approximately 901 bed days left for this fiscal year.

ACE Overcomers

- He explained the two cohorts that ran. He gave all the data details and the graduate success. Dave Lockridge gave an update on the success they are having and he thanked the instructors. Hopefully we can offer this service to Los Banos clients in the near future.

Probation K-9 Sage

- Chris reported on the searches Sage conducted and gave the pertinent data from her finds. There was a lower set of numbers due to COVID.

X. **In-Custody Program Update**

Chris Henn went over the data for the following In-Custody programs:

- SRT/Day Reporting Center
- Supervised Release Team
- Pre-Trial
- Jail Re-Entry Program

John Hendon confirmed the data looks accurate and explained some of the services.

XI. **Adult Services**

Chris Henn reported on the quarterly data for the following:

- Bail reviews
- Pre-Trial assessments
- Offender Needs Assessment & Static Risk Assessments 2.0
- Home Visits and Office Visits
- Drug Tests and Statements of Admission
- Program referrals
- Revocations and 1170's

He reminded the team that some of these numbers are again low due to COVID.

XII. **ASAM Assessments at the Jail**

Chris Henn reported on the ASAM assessment data. He explained how the referrals are made based on the assessment. The assessment is helping the clients get referrals to the correct programs. This tool is critical in client care. The pre-trial clinician will assist with overflow of assessments and vacation coverage. This will provide continuous client care and continuous program referrals.

XIII. **Breaking Barriers**

Chris Henn reported on the data for Breaking Barriers. He explained the process on connecting with clients and the collaborate effort with Behavioral Health and other partners.

XIV. **Next Meeting**

There was an opportunity for questions.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40 AM.

The next meeting will be scheduled. Meeting details to follow at a later date.

Minutes scribed by Maurina Erickson, Secretary III