

Merced County Community Corrections Partnership

Executive Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 3, 2016, 2:00 p.m.
Room 310
2222 STREET, MERCED, CA

- **Call to Order:** 2:05 P.M.
- **Introductions**
 - **Executive Committee Members Present:**
 - Jeff Kettering, Chair, Chief Probation Officer
 - David Elgin, Public Defender
 - Jason Goins, Undersheriff, for Sheriff Verne Warnke
 - Norm Andrade, Chief, Merced Police Department
 - Yvonna Brown, Director, Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
 - **Others Present:**
 - Stephanie Dietz, County CEO's Office
 - Scott Pettygrove, Department Head, Human Services Agency
 - Greg Sullivan, Captain, Sheriff's Department
 - Sarah Austin, Probation Administrative Division Director, Probation Department
 - Jennifer Frederick, Staff Services Analyst, Probation Department
 - Lisa Maples, Program Manager, Probation Department
 - Cynthia Shoaf, Department of Child Support Services
- **Public Comment** – None.
- **Review of Minutes**
 - January 6, 2016 – Elgin/Sullivan/Unanimous (M/S/C)
- **Review of 2016/2017 Strategies**
 - Strategies provided to all members of the CCP and publicly posted July 29, 2016.
 - Correction to page 1 of the 2016/17 Strategies. Scott Pettygrove, HSA Director, is listed under Executive Members and it should be Yvonna Brown, Mental Health Director.
- **Review and Vote on Proposed Enhancements**
 1. Update on AB109 Programs and Activities
 - Trident Center – Is up and running successfully
 - Leadership for Life – Chief Kettering attended two graduations on August 2, 2016 with 25 graduates in two different sessions.
 - Day Reporting Center – Expanded the amount of spots in Merced and Los Banos
 - Flash Incarceration – There is pending legislature that will allow for all types of violations.
 2. Re-Entry and Rehabilitation Program Expansion
 - Transitional Services – What are the needs in the community? How can we increase services? The re-entry program is missing a transition component piece. A transitional

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program will be added with GEO.

- Responses to Increased Workloads – There are 50-55 cases per Officer. Adding one additional Officer will bring the caseload to standard.
 - Supervising Probation Officer – This position will focus on training new officers as well as provide on-going training to existing staff.
 - Deputy Sheriff/Coroner – An additional Sheriff Deputy would provide beneficial services to assist in enforcement as well as prevention and is recommended to be dedicated to the Merced Area Gang/Narcotic Enforcement Team.
 - Pre-Trial – There is a national push on having risk-based assessments. An additional Deputy Probation Officer, Correctional Officer, Dual Diagnosis Specialist and Mental Health Worker is being requested to assist in providing services to the in custody population and will also provide mental health services to those clients that are released on pre-trial supervision.
 - Leadership for Life – There are currently two extra help employees running the Leadership for Life program. A full time position would allow the program to continue and expand the interaction with our clients during the program.
 - Educational/Vocational Services – MCOE will provide an assessment center for our clients and will refer the clients to needed educational services.
 - Transitional Housing – Provide housing support to clients during transition in their lives and will allow them to be stable and seek employment and/or education.
 - Data Analyst – There is a need for a dedicated position strictly for data analysis and reporting to be housed at Probation but will be a multi-agency analyst. AB109 and SB678 are increasingly tied to outcomes. Advocating and demonstrating data is important to look to receive a bigger share of the funding.
 - Body Scanner – Many of the youth we house are pending adult court charges. The same piece of equipment was approved by the Executive Group for the Sheriff's Department last year. Unsure at this time if the body scanner will be purchased for the JJCC, but wanted the approval and ability to purchase.
- **Vote on Proposed Enhancements**
 - Elgin/Brown/Unanimous (M/S/C)
 - Executive Committee Hand-count
 - Andrade – aye
 - Elgin – aye
 - Kettering – aye
 - Goins for Warnke – aye
 - Brown – aye
 - **Next Meeting:**
 - TBD
 - **Adjourn:** 2:45 P.M.