



PROBATION DEPARTMENT



Kalisa Rochester
Chief Probation Officer

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

July 27, 2023, at 9:00 AM
2222 M Street, Merced CA 95340
Basement Conference Center, Los Banos/Livingston Room

CCP Committee Members & Guests Present

- Joel Daffron, Deputy Chief Probation Officer (Chair)
Sarah Marsh, Director of Administrative Services
Sharlee Fragulia, Staff Services Analyst
Beatriz Ramirez, Program Coordinator
Frank Leyva, Peer Support Specialist
Jason Garcia, Supervising Probation Officer
Don Caballero, Associate Director
Holly Newlon, Director
Amber Phillips, Management Analyst
Stacy Turi, Staff Services Analyst
Paula Torres, Office Assistant
Humberto Sanchez, Central California Regional Manager
Krystal DeAlba, Lead Case Manager
Jennifer Fialho, Program Manager
David Carr, Chief Operating Officer
Monika Grasley, Executive Director
John Hendon, Regulation Compliance Officer
Brandon Thomas, Lieutenant
Brittany Howell, Program Manager
Justin Melden, Commander
Leticia Servin, Program Manager
Probation Department
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Probation Department
Probation Department
Probation Department
Probation Department
ACE Overcomers
Merced County Office of Education
Merced County CEO Office
Workforce Investment
Workforce Investment
BI/GEO
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Merced Rescue Mission
Lifeline CDC
Merced County Sheriff
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Los Banos Police Department
Behavioral Health & Recovery Services

Absent

- Amanda Toste, Court Executive Officer
Vincent Andrade, Public Defender
Nicole Silveira, District Attorney
Yvonnia Brown, Director
Kelly Turner, President
Merced Superior Court
Public Defender
District Attorney
Human Services Agency
Symple Equazion

Introduction

Deputy Chief Joel Daffron called the meeting to order at 9: 00 a.m. Roundtable introductions were made.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes May 11, 2023

The May 11, 2023, meeting minutes were reviewed. Deputy Chief Joel Daffron asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Director Holly Newlon motioned, and Monika Grassley seconded. There being no abstentions or opposition, the minutes were approved.

2022-2023 Annual AB 109 Data Review

Staff Service Analyst Sharlee Fragulia reported the following annual data:

- ACE Overcomers
- Day Reporting Center
- INKOFF.ME – The public can utilize the service.
- Leadership for Life
- Lifeline Community Development Corporation – PACT meetings and Lifeline are really the first contact parole and probation clients have. No one leaves a meeting without having at least one of their needs addressed. Monika said they've been able to have computers out and they had six people sign up for Worknet.
- Phoenix Project - 31% completed and graduated the program last year and 39% this year. Keep in mind the programming is quite long. These are long term 6 months depending on what type of career clients select. Holly adds, there was a significant increase in numbers from fiscal years 19/20 to 22/23. They added incentives to help encourage completion of the workshops, enrollment, and progress and completion in career/tech education. Participants have benchmarks to meet which have been helpful. When they finish their first set of workshops, they receive \$100. This year, of the ones who completed/graduated a program or received a certification, of those 34 who graduated, 29 are employed. Of the budget, about 70% is directly paid to participants. (tuition is paid to the school). Funds cover supportive services, clothing, and supplies, and incentives are paid to clients. It takes at least \$10k per person to send them to 3–6-month of schooling.
- Symple Equazion – Symple Soul Food Truck
- Transitional Housing
- K9 Sage
- Bail Reviews
- AB109 Drug Tests & Statement of Admission
- Incentives and Sanctions
- AB109 Assessment
- AB109 Home Visits & Office Visits
- AB109 Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS)
- 1170(H)(5)(B) Mandatory Supervision
- Jail Reentry and Alternatives to Incarceration Program
- ASAM Assessments at the Jail
- AB109 Operational Expenditure Tracking – Director of Administrative Services Sarah

Marsh reported the year ended with spending \$10.245M. A lot of the cost that wasn't expended were one-time. They haven't expended anything for the Department of Public Works (DPW), which was the sheriff's JBCT project, Probation's pre-trial construction, and the modular at the jail and juvenile hall. She anticipates that some of those funds will be expended this fiscal year. Those amounts have been re-budgeted. For allocation for fiscal year 23/24, they didn't have that many requests, it was mainly for Probation. Probation is going to be moving into an adult program center sometime in the fall or early winter. This center is located on M Street, the new adult building they're leasing is located at 600 W. Olive, and they anticipate occupying that building at the beginning of September. They will move Intake and the Court units to Trident, the Trident Center will move to the Adult Services building, and the remainder of the adult services staff will move to 600 W. Olive. Probation will then vacate the 3191 M St. property. They're focusing on adult program and want to have a dedicated center. There was an additional request from the Public Defender for a Legal Process Clerk. INKOFF.ME and the Day Reporting Center had increases also. The total in overall requests was \$769k. That brings the budget, including one-time costs, to \$21M.

The Executive Committee met last week and recommended going forward with the strategies. They will be sent out sometime within the next week or two for approval.

Don mentioned they had to move some of their class dates. The next recidivism date in Los Banos is on 8/7/23. Here in Merced, it starts on 8/9/23. They hadn't had any referrals or sign-ups until yesterday. He doesn't know how many or which location yet.

Jennifer Fialho announced that GEO is having their Jail Re-Entry graduation on 8/3/23 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the jail. The Day Reporting graduation is on 8/9/23 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

Minutes by Priscilla Martin, Secretary III