

STANISLAUS COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday – February 28, 2014

Stanislaus County Probation Department – Training Room

MEMBERS/DESIGNEES PRESENT

JILL SILVA, Chief Probation Officer, Chair
ADAM CHRISTIANSON, Sheriff
BIRGIT FLADAGER, District Attorney
GAY MCDANIEL, Victim's Services, District Attorney's Office
ALAN CASSIDY, District Attorney's Office
DON NICKERSON, Victim's Services, District Attorney's Office
TIMOTHY P. BAZAR, Public Defender
MADELYN SCHLAEPFER, Director, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
GALEN CARROLL, Chief of Police, Modesto Police Department
WILLIAM O'BRIEN, Board of Supervisors
TERRY WITHROW, Board of Supervisors
STEPHANIE KENNEDY for Rebecca Fleming, Superior Court
KATHRYN HARWELL, Director, Community Services Agency
DORIS FOSTER for Stan Risen, CEO
CINDY DUENAS, Director, Center for Human Services
MIKE HAMASAKI, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department
STEVE JACKSON, Division Director, Probation Department
MIKE WILSON, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
DAN WIRTZ, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services
DAVE CHAPMAN, Supervising Probation Officer, Probation Department
MARK FERRIERA, Supervising Probation Manager, Probation Department
ERIC MCLOUGHLIN, IT Manager, Probation Department
SETH ROGERS, Sheriff's Department
LETTI ORTIZ, Sheriff's Department

MEMBERS ABSENT

JEFF ROWE, Alliance WorkNet
THOMAS CHAGNON, Stanislaus County Office of Education

GUESTS PRESENT

TERESA GOMEZ, El Concilio	MICHAEL BAGLEY, Nirvana
DANE HELDING, Nirvana	KEVIN CARROLL, Modesto Gospel Mission
JULIE BAKER, Second Chances	CHRISTA SWIER, Second Chances

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

The meeting was called to order at 11:35 a.m. by Chief Probation Officer Jill Silva. Members of the group introduced themselves. Representatives from Nirvana (Michael Bagley and Dane Holding), El Concilio, (Teresa Gomez), Second Chances (Julie Baker and Christa Swier), and Modesto Gospel Mission (Kevin Carroll).

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No members of the public were present.

3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 21, 2014 MEETING**

MOTION: Sheriff Adam Christianson. SECOND: Birgit Fladager. The minutes of the January 21, 2014 meeting were approved unanimously.

4. CCP PROGRAMS UPDATE

The following is an update on the CCP programs:

- A. **Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) and Intensive Supervision Unit (ISU):** Dave Chapman, Supervising Probation Officer, discussed victim restitution collection issues and how the department can be more proactive with collections. He reported they have met with Don Nickerson, the Victim's Advocate from the DA's Office. SPO Chapman also discussed the transient population of the PRCS/ISU Units and noted that this population is probably being underserved because of the unit not being able to locate them. Effective March 1st, a Deputy Probation Officer will be assigned specifically to the transient population who will utilize various community- and faith-based organizations, food banks and the mission to reach out to this group in the field. A more proactive approach will be taken versus writing violations of probation for non-reporting.
- B. **Day Reporting Center:** Mark Ferriera, Supervising Probation Officer, reported that the DRC Unit will be sending an officer on a monthly basis to the Modesto Gospel Mission in order to connect with the transient population. SPO Ferriera also noted that he has been working with Don Nickerson from the DA's office in order to improve restitution collection. Mr. Nickerson has been attending the probation orientation meeting that is held once a month to address this issue directly with the offenders. He will also be making a presentation to the Property Crimes class at the DRC to speak with the offenders regarding the importance of restitution.

SPO Ferriera advised that the plans for the new DRC are moving forward. Proposals are being accepted by the County until March 19th for designing and building the new DRC. The anticipated completion date is August 2015, with 90 days to occupy after completion.

Chief Silva advised that almost 16% of the PRCS offenders are transient. She emphasized that these offenders are reporting that they are transient rather than just Probation not having a valid address. This is a significant number and there is a need to address this population differently in order to improve their services.

- C. **Jail Report:** Sheriff Adam Christianson noted that, as reported in the Modesto Bee, some beds were closed-- 64 in Unit One and 62 in IWQ. He advised that they will be reactivated in mid-March when officers have completed the CORE academy. He noted that AWP continues to fluctuate on a daily basis because of a number of different variables that affect the daily population. A plan is in place to offer the SCILLS classes to the female population. The following statistics were reported:
- Parolees in custody: 25
 - 15 holds only
 - 4 sentenced with none on electronic monitoring
 - 1170(h): 118 with 61 on electronic monitoring
 - Revocations: 40 with 2 on electronic monitoring
 - 19 flash incarcerations

Sheriff Christianson reported that two sessions were held yesterday for the AB900 Phase II project. There were seven pre-qualified construction firms, design/build teams, competing for the project. The top three candidates will be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for final determination.

Sheriff Christianson reported that Governor Brown visited recently and met with various county representatives, superior court, and law enforcement officials to discuss realignment, adequate sustainable funding, and funding equitability. The Governor toured the new Psychiatric Health Facility. The Governor acknowledged the good relationship and collaborations among the partner agencies in this county. He also toured the jail facility and Sheriff Christianson commended Lt. Mike Dailey and his team at Adult Detention for their efforts in passing inspections "with flying colors." The Governor visited Unit Two's programming space and talked to PRCS inmates. He met with a Friends Outside group and discussed their imprisonment, addiction history and shook their hands. The Governor is trying to visit as many counties as he can who have been significantly impacted by realignment. Supervisor Vito Chiesa and BSCC Chair Linda Penner were also present during this visit.

Sheriff Christianson reported that the SB1022 appeal was filed this morning. The BSCC has to appoint a panel to review the appeal.

- D. **Integrated Forensics Team:** Mike Wilson, BHRS, reported that the transient population is a problem with the Mental Health Program. There are 14 homeless individuals from AB109. He noted that there are wraparound services, such as Nirvana, and money available to place these individuals, but this population is different. Mr. Wilson noted that the Women of Wisdom (WOW) program is being moved from the alternatives program back to an in-custody program next week and, as a result, twice as many individuals will receive services. The biggest challenge being encountered is with the clients at the CCC medication clinic because they are not doing as well without their former prison structure. The mental health in-custody clinicians will be starting a Moral Reconciliation Therapy session in March with the goal of having this program, along with the AOD services, aid clients with their in-custody to out-of-custody transition process.
- E. **Second Chances:** Julie Baker, Director, reported that the first group has graduated in February 2014 with three graduates making it through the four-month program. One of these clients came from the WOW program and she is enrolled at MJC, got her driver's license and a car. One graduate from the SCILLS program bought a car last week and is looking for employment. Amy, the client who presented at the January CCP meeting, is enrolling at a vet tech school and will participate in an internship program at a veterinarian's office in Turlock. Another client has graduated from the therapy piece of the program and was discharged from Probation this month.
- F. **El Concilio:** Teresa Gomez reported that El Concilio has 100 clients. Of those clients, 33 are working full-time and one has been promoted to a manager position in a construction company. There are 22 clients doing seasonal work and continuing with classes at El Concilio. She noted that many of their clients have difficulties dealing with depression and anger management and a psychologist from Stockton will be coming to Modesto once a month to evaluate these clients. Five clients are in the GED classes; 33 have gotten their California ID; five have gotten their driver's license; four are attending MJC; 11 bicycles have been provided to assist with transportation; three are in the DUI program and one in the domestic violence program. Clients are provided hygiene products and food assistance where needed.
- G. **CSA:** Kathy Harwell reported that CSA has served 72 inmates/offenders from July 2013 through February 2014 at the DRC to assist with applying for various services. CSA is continuing to work on refining the process to enroll in-custody clients in MediCal. Ms. Harwell reported that in CSA's CalWorks allocation, two areas are being targeted—family stabilization and the welfare to work component. In order to assist clients in getting ready for work, a stabilization component is being added and funding is available for this assistance. She noted that they have been successful with utilizing TANF funding in order to subsidize employers to make vocational training available for individuals going through their training period at a job. The objective is to focus on providing wraparound services to assist these clients with obtaining work and getting off benefits.
- H. **Nirvana:** Michael Bagley reported that in February 2014, 11 clients were referred from the Probation Department and Nirvana admitted four of these with the remaining seven placed on a waiting list. Of those admitted, two clients left right away and three are active in the program. During February, three clients successfully completed the program; and one of these graduates is in the outpatient treatment program, has a bed at the sober living unit and is enrolled in the GED program at the Probation Department. One of the other graduates has been reunited with his family, is participating in the outpatient program, and is looking for employment. The last graduate is involved with CPS working on getting reunited with his children.

- I. **Victim Advocacy Program:** Don Nickerson, DA's Office, Victims Services Unit, advised that they have met with all of the service providers under the CCP umbrella and expressed appreciation to each of the groups for having restitution education available to participants. He emphasized that the goal of his unit is to be the voice of the victim. He had his first visit to the Modesto Gospel Mission last week and met with resistance on the subject of restitution. Gay McDaniel noted that the victim's voice is important, and since the offenders are being offered many different services, they need to be made aware of their responsibilities, be accountable, and realize that they victimized real people. By attending the various classes, Victim's Services can address issues through the CCP providers.
- J. **Center for Human Services:** Cindy Duenas, Director, reported that MRT is measuring shifts in criminal thinking by identifying a scale with six subscales related to criminal thinking. A small sampling, seven graduates, was pre- and post-evaluated and they had attended 17 to 33 sessions. The six subscales measured included feelings of entitlement, justification, their power of orientation, personal irresponsibility, cold hardedness, and criminal rationalization. Definitive results could not be obtained with this small sampling, but positive results were seen in the areas of feelings of entitlement and justification and the area with the highest resistance was criminal rationalization.
- K. **Modesto Gospel Mission:** Kevin Carroll noted that most of the homeless at the mission are mistrusting and do not feel trust at the Modesto Gospel Mission. He noted that there was discussion among the men who had contact with Don Nickerson from the DA's office regarding restitution. During this past month, the mission has served the following:
 - a. 53 women and children with a total of 70 children
 - b. 83 men
 - c. 50 in the New Life program with three graduates
 - d. the five beds for the 30-day challenge program are full
 - e. 4 completed the forklift certification program
 - f. 8 in the janitorial class
 - g. 4 in the service aid class

Mr. Carroll advised they are meeting with City representatives next week to address the expansion of the women and children facilities.

- L. **Crime Analyst:** Chief Silva reported that the recruitment for the Crime Analyst position did not have good results with most of the candidates being from out of state. The Probation Department did meet with an outside vendor who has been doing evaluations in another county and, while they may have some expertise, the level of understanding was not present and the learning curve would be an obstacle. As a third option, Chief Silva met with the Modesto Police Department and had a dialogue about the possibility of contracting with MPD. The information from these three options will be discussed further at the next CCP Executive Committee meeting. The MPD has two existing Crime Analysts that could benefit the CCP while a candidate is going through the hiring process. They also have software already available that could be useful in generating reports for the CCP.

5. FISCAL UPDATE

On behalf of Karen Curci, Administrative Services Manager for the Probation Department, Chief Silva reported that the growth funding amount has arrived and will be taken into consideration for the year four plan. Chief Silva has consulted with the Executive Director of CPOC regarding the funding formula for next year. The funding formula for the current year expires in June. Most counties are using last year's amount for planning purposes until the new formula is finalized.

6. YEAR FOUR DISCUSSION

Chief Silva advised that in planning for year four, no additional funds will be available for expansion and the CCP can only go forward with the present programs that are meeting outcomes and are the most beneficial. An outcomes report form was distributed, completed and submitted to the CCP Committee for review by e-mail last week. No formal presentations will be made before the committee. The committee was asked to review the forms and bring comments and questions to this meeting. The following comments were made:

- Going forward, there will be some cost exposure and need to consider the opening of the additional jail beds in 2016.
- The committee needs to consider the programs that are getting good results, for the most clients, and the amount being spent. CHS will not be continuing the DRC classes because of capacity issues. Therefore, \$40,000 will not be requested. (Note: This funding is included in the Day Reporting Center budget as contracted services.)
- The Sheriff's Department outcomes review has a correction on the Cost per Participant. The amount should be \$89.39.
- The importance of the Crime Analyst was emphasized in order to ascertain the impact of the programs and assess the impact of AB109 on crime.
- An invitation was extended to CCP committee members to visit the various programs and talk to participants.
- Positive impact of AB109 is the ability to keep offenders at a local level and the County is in more control locally of the services being provided.
- Modifications to any programs, an updated proposal, should be submitted to the Executive Committee for consideration.

7. COMMENTS

Cindy Duenas, Center for Human Services, noted two workshops being conducted in April. Links will be forwarded to the CCP.

Child Silva noted that the San Francisco Probation Department is sponsoring a one-day workshop on trauma care for adult women offenders.

8. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE

The next CCP meeting will be scheduled for Friday, March 21, 2014, at 11:30 a.m. in the Probation Department Training Room. The Executive

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.