

Sacramento County

Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) Subcommittee

Action Summary

Date and Time: 12/13/2022, 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Meeting Location: 10060 Goethe Rd., Sacramento, CA - Valley Oak Conference Room 1205, 1207

Meeting Chair: Marlon Yarber, Probation

Meeting Coordinator: Laura Singh, Probation

Please send any future topics for discussion to singhla@saccounty.gov

JJCC Subcommittee Members Present: Judge Calabretta (Sacramento Superior Courts), Josef Gray (Community Member), Reuben Moreno (Public Defender's Office), Ryan Quist (Behavioral Health Services), John Grimes (District Attorney's Office), Barbara Modlin (Office of Education), Marlon Yarber (Chair – Probation Department)

JJCC Subcommittee Members Absent: Raechel Ibarra (Community Member), Bryan Jones (Child Protective Services), Nancy Smith (District Attorney's Office), Jacqueline White(Office of Education)

JJCC Subcommittee Guests Present: Julie Wherry (Probation), Maria Gonzalez (Probation), Synthy Lathipanya (Probation), Jeffrey Rhoades (Probation), Eric Fernstrom (Probation)

Schedule and duration are approximations.

Members of the public are encouraged to participate. The Public may make verbal comments during the meeting by raising your hand at the designated time. There will be a designated time for public comment at the end of each item.

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Agenda Item	Schedule	Duration	Presenter(s)
1. Chair Update	2:00 - 2:15	15 minutes	Marlon Yarber, Chair

Nancy Smith named John Grimes as her alternate designee. Marlon Yarber (Chair) announced the following updates. The Office of Youth and Community Restoration named Efrat Sharony as the Ombudsperson. On December 15th, there will be a meeting with three assembly staff in regards to education aligned with SB 823. The Board of State Community Corrections is looking for executive steering committee members to serve on a grant review process tied to a Mobile Service Center idea. Last week was the annual awards event with the state wide Chief Probation Officer meeting and two Deputy Probation Officers, DPO Kirstie Williams and DPO Semon Spencer-Thompson, from the VOYA unit were announced as Regional Employees of the Year. Lastly, it will be Laura Singh's last meeting as she has promoted out of the Probation Department.

Public Comment:

Angel Garcia from OYCR stated thank you for offering the virtual option for the public. OYCR wanted to announce there will be a Child Welfare Council meeting on Friday, December 16th announcing staff and multiple presentations. A link for more information is: CWC OYCR Committee Meeting December 16, 2022 (ca.gov).

ACTION ITEM: Approve Minutes from November 29, 2022	2:15 - 2:20	5 minutes	Marlon Yarber, Chair
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Dr. Ryan Quist clarified that the peer certification wouldn't be a barrier with lived experience and could be work towards. It was also clarified the lived experience would be behavioral health challenge experiences and the minutes could be speaking to criminal lived experience. It was discovered after the meeting that criminal

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experience is acceptable for peer certification as long as it is self-disclosed. It was suggested the minutes state, "The type of lived experience required for peer certification with Behavioral Health could create a barrier." Reuben Moreno motioned to approve the minutes for November 29, 2022 with the named amendments. Ryan Quist seconded the motion.

AYES: Judge Calabretta, Josef Gray, Reuben Moreno, Ryan Quist, John Grimes, Marlon Yarber

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None RECRUSAL: None

3	Re-Entry Presentation	2:20 – 2:40	20 minutes	Jeffrey Rhoades,
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Senior Deputy Probation Officer Jeffrey Rhoades spoke on the re-entry services that are currently provided. Three basic concepts that are focused on are:

- 1. Re-entry begins at commitment
- 2. Re-entry is unique to the individual's needs
- 3. Re-entry is a team effort

The re-entry team is located next to the Youth Detention Facility which makes it a quick access to the youth. There is continuous communication with the re-entry agents. Another major part is the 90 day re-entry planning process and ensuring all services are ready for when the youth are released. The re-entry team currently has 39 youth in DJJ and are planning the return of 25 of those youth. The re-entry team also assist after release and check in the youth. There are times when a youth can be projected to be released from DJJ and instead the youth is held an additional 6 months and there are also times where a youth is projected to stay longer in DJJ but is instead released. Currently, there has been four youth that have had planned releases. A re-entry worksheet is utilized with the youth to build their re-entry plan. Items on the worksheet are:

- 1. Where are you going to live?
- 2. Retrieving vital documents: Social Security Card, Birth Certificate, and State ID
- 3. Form of Communication: I Foster offers wards of the Court a cell phone
- 4. Education Goals and Desires

The re-entry team for each individual consists of a re-entry officer, the youth, any family/personal support, the caseworker, the VOYA service team (Behavioral Health, SCOE, YDF Clinic, and Stanford clinician), community supports, the DA, and Public Defender. Two different forms completed are the Case Plan, for the Courts, and a simplified form for the youth to easily process and follow. The unit is structured with two Deputy Probation Officers and a Senior Deputy Probation Officer who provide the re-entry support and direct supervision. Senior Deputy Probation Officer Jeffery Rhoades provides research on new and current resources to utilize for re-entry. The re-entry team utilizes several organizations for the youth. A few organizations to name are Stanford Sierra Youth and Families, Anti Recidivism Coalition, GAP, Wind Youth Services, Sacramento Youth Help Network, Capital Stars, Hope Therapeutic Services, and Project Rebound. Housing and transportation are still needs for the re-entry team. A service coordinator is also a need for the youth. An ongoing hurdle has been receiving the youth's vital documents and different options are being explored to make it more efficient. Another importance is identifying the youth's interests to fill their free time whether it be a sport, gym membership, or educational interests.

The re-entry team is involved with DJJ for the returning population but formal MDTs have not been completed, but the re-entry team will be involved in the initial MDT. Current cases that have been released have stayed with their same therapist from while in custody.

4. Budget Breakdown for VOYA	2:40 – 3:00	20 minutes	Julie Wherry, Probation
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Assistant Chief Probation Officer Julie Wherry walked through the budget document. The left column is broken up by the items funds are spent on and the next two columns show the mid-year growth request and 23-24 fiscal year request. Some mid-year request needs are opening two additional units, creating a Community Outreach Unit for step downs, re-entry team growth, administrative support, training and travel for staff, and multiple contracts for services for the youth. The remaining funds on the bottom of the document is the additional funding that was provided in August that was not budgeted for. The reason for the difference in cost between the two housing units is due to how fiscal prepares the document. One housing unit cost could be

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additional staff placed in that particular line item but the staff will be assisting all units. In fiscal year 23-24, Probation will be losing the Juvenile Re-Entry Grant that funds the re-entry officers and the realignment funds will take over that cost. Transportation costs are an estimate. Dr. Quist shared Medi-Cal will provide Uber transportation for any health related services. A request was made to make a third column to show if the grant and anticipated block grant increase were received and how the funds would be disbursed.			
Public Comment: A question was asked if an explanation could be provided on what the Consortium Fee is and if it is body or agency.			
Consortium is a state wide body comprised of Chief Probation Officers with a small number of support staff. Consortium has been established to help address what local needs are by connecting counties who may have space with those who may not. It assists with problem solving connections to services and bed rates. Consortium provides a faster unified process for these items.			
Discuss 2023 Meeting Calendar Expectationsa. Monthly or Biweekly	3:00 – 3:15	15 minutes	JJCC Subcommittee Members
for 2023 meetings and additional dates will need to be reserved. The subcommittee will need to determine if they would like to continue to meet biweekly or move to monthly meetings. Ad hoc groups can also be utilized for discussion items as long as they have an end date and aren't ongoing. Possible ad hoc committees could consist of the current service coordinator ad hoc, housing contracts, and transportation needs. It is preferred to complete the needs of one ad hoc committee before creating another one. Due to the budget deadlines, it was stated biweekly meetings would be more beneficial. If there are any items on the budget that the subcommittee disagrees on, Probation needs to be notified as soon as possible. Funds can always be shifted between line items if needed. Josef Grey motioned for biweekly meetings until the end of February. Ryan Quist seconded the motion. AYES: Barbara Modlin, Judge Calabretta, Josef Gray, Reuben Moreno, Ryan Quist, John Grimes, Marlon Yarber NOES: None ABSTAIN: None RECRUSAL: None			
6. Discussion of Topics for Future Agenda Items	3:15 - 3:25	10 minutes	JJCC Subcommittee Members
The following topics were mentioned for Future Agenda Items:			
 Budget Service Coordinator Ad Hoc Update DHA/Housing Presentation Stanford Update Establish Ad Hoc Committee for Re-Entry 			
7. Public Comment on Off Agenda Items	3:25-3:30	5 minutes	All

3:53 PM

Next JJCC Subcommittee Meeting: Tuesday, January 17, 2022, 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM

No Public Comment

Adjournment