



Reimagine Adult Justice

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TODAY'S OBJECTIVE

■ REIMAGINE ADULT JUSTICE

- To provide an update on the Reimagine Adult Justice initiative & next steps

■ ASSEMBLY BILL 1185

- To provide an update of activities conducted to date since the March 17th AB 1185 presentation to the Public Protection Committee
- To obtain direction on decision points related to the AB draft ordinance & next steps



ADOPTION & OBJECTIVES OF REIMAGINE ADULT JUSTICE INITIATIVE

- In September 2021, the Board of Supervisors took formal action to reinstate former Chief Probation Officer Wendy Still, Alameda County Probation Department, as the Project Director of the Reimagine Adult Justice (RAJ) initiative.
- The objective of RAJ is to, over an 18 to 24 month period, assess and inventory existing in and out of custody justice related programming, identify gaps and opportunities that will reduce our reliance on incarceration, and build on our current reforms in order to further strengthen re-entry systems, reduce recidivism and prevent victimization.
- RAJ consists of 12 elements or specifically, 12 questions which will need to be answered to inform Alameda County's reform and integration efforts moving forward.



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12 ELEMENTS – SUGGESTED LANGUAGE MODIFICATIONS

~~11.~~ 1. How does the new model address and achieve reductions of racial disparities in the Alameda County justice system?

4. 2. What are the arrest rates in each police jurisdiction in Alameda County?

5. 3. What new health ~~related opportunities exist for to apply a health-related lens to justice~~ and ~~what~~ funding related opportunities exist to ~~fund a new model or~~ transform Alameda County's ~~the existing~~ justice model?

~~12.~~ 4. How can ~~should a~~ the Sheriff's Oversight Body or an Office of the Inspector General be designed into the new RAJ model?



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3. 5. How can the pretrial program be permanently established and expanded to reduce the jail population. An assessment of Alameda County's pre-trial hold rate should be conducted as a part of this analysis. ~~and a comparison to other similar counties and can the pre-trial program be permanently established and expanded to reduce the jail population?~~
1. 6. What is the actual cost impact to Alameda County of the contract to house federal inmates?
2. 7. Should Alameda County's federal contract at Santa Rita Jail be terminated?
6. 8. What opportunities exist to reduce the Alameda County's Jail populations and costs?



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7. 9. What information does the existing jail population analysis provide to assist in ~~this~~the RAJ effort?

8. 10. Can investments in RAJ efforts mitigate or eliminate the need to increase jail staffing and jail capital expenditures? How does the current jail litigation impact the alternatives?

9. 11. What jail data is currently available that can assist in this project's analysis of alternatives and existing populations. An analysis of the jail data should be conducted to determine its sufficiency.

~~10. 12.~~ What are the outcomes of the existing programs ~~exist~~ in the jail? ~~and what are the outcomes of the programs?~~ Can additional investments in jail programming and reentry result in decreased costs? Part of the cost benefit analysis should include a literature review of correctional program opportunities and the anticipated return on investment for any suggested new or program modifications.

CREATION OF PUBLIC PROTECTION, JUSTICE & HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

- On January 3, 2022, Supervisor Valle hosted the meeting with the county's justice and health partners in which he spoke of the need to coordinate four existing Alameda County service areas/initiatives:
 - Health & Homelessness (Health Care Services Agency)
 - Care First/Jails Last (Behavioral Health Care Services)
 - CalAIM (Alameda Alliance for Health)
 - Reimagine Adult Justice (Public Protection)



CREATION OF PUBLIC PROTECTION, JUSTICE & HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

- **Supervisor Valle directed that the leads for these initiatives work together to provide him a proposed structure in which to:**
 - **Identify, leverage and align services,**
 - **Identify funding opportunities,**
 - **Assess and inventory existing gaps and opportunities for expansion,**
 - **Eliminate operational inefficiencies and duplication of effort,**
 - **Identify and remove barriers, and**
 - **Refine existing systems to allow for a seamless service delivery model.**
- **From this effort, the Public Protection, Justice & Health Collaborative (PPJHC) was created.**



PUBLIC PROTECTION, JUSTICE & HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

- **Developed Governance Charter Agreement which confirmed a common interest to align, coordinate and leverage systems associated among the four service areas/initiatives.**
- **Identified:**
 - **Scope of work & meeting schedule**
 - **Departmental liaisons**
 - **Frequency of reports to the Public Protection Committee**
 - **Need to develop a comprehensive service landscape analysis to identify which areas intersect for each initiative**
 - **Data needs & entity responsible for collecting data**
 - **Existing data within the SHIE link to support the PPJHC's and RAJ objectives**



REIMAGINE ADULT JUSTICE CONSULTANTS

- **CONTRACTED CONSULTANTS**
 - Dave Panush, California Health Policy Strategies, LLC
 - ✓ Behavioral Health
 - Wendy Ware, Consultant
 - ✓ Jail Data Analysis



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COLLABORATION MEETINGS

- **ALAMEDA COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT**
 - CalAIM Opportunities for the Adult & Juvenile Probation Population
- **ALAMEDA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY**
 - CalAIM & Medi-Cal Resources
 - Medi-Cal Eligibility Process
 - Development of Medi-Cal Services Roadmap for the Justice-Involved Population
- **ALAMEDA ALLIANCE FOR HEALTH & CALIFORNIA HEALTH POLICIES STRATEGIES, L.L.C.**
 - CalAIM Opportunities for the Justice-Involved Population



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COLLABORATION MEETINGS

■ **ALAMEDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

- Met with Custody Operations & Data Management Staff on Jail Data Analysis to be conducted by Consultant Wendy Ware
- Identified and provided data needs related to:
 - ✓ Custody Admissions
 - ✓ Physical Health
 - ✓ Behavioral Health
 - ✓ Admissions
 - ✓ Demographics
 - ✓ Population Counts
 - ✓ Special Populations
 - ✓ Program Policies
 - ✓ Program Data
 - ✓ Costs
 - ✓ Etc.
- First batch of data expected to be received in mid-June, with the remainder received on a flow basis from the Sheriff's Department



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UPDATE

- **DATA NEEDS IDENTIFIED & CATEGORIZED BY DEPARTMENT/AGENCY**
 - Alameda County Sheriff's Department
 - Alameda County Health Care Services Agency & Behavioral Health Care Services
 - Alameda County Social Services Agency
 - Alameda County Probation Department
 - Alameda County Information Technology Department
 - Alameda County Cities Police Departments
 - County Administrator's Office
 - Federal Prisons
 - State Hospitals



THANK YOU!

