ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Thursday, July 9, 2015 1:00 p.m.

Supervisor Richard Valle, Chair Supervisor Scott Haggerty

Location: <u>Board of Supervisors' Chambers – Room 512 – 5th Fl</u> County Administration Building 1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Summary/Action Minutes

I. Alameda County Reentry Strategic Plan Year 1 Update Attachment

Neola Crosby, Reentry Coordinator, County Probation Department, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Alameda County Re-entry Strategic Plan First Year Update.

The Joint Re-Entry One Table was established several years ago, under former Chief of Probation, David Muhammad, who combined all the re-entry discussions into one table. Chief LaDonna Harris directed the Joint One Re-entry Table to develop a Re-entry Strategic Plan.

The Joint Re-Entry One Table established a set of guiding principles as follows: Guiding Principles

- 1. Ensure culturally appropriate strategies, including a trauma or healing informed approach, that are responsive to the individual needs of the populations they serve.
- 2. Encourage systems change and improved coordination, communication, and collaboration for systems integration, in order to provide better services to individuals and/or reduce recidivism, which is critical to the sustained success of the re-entry population.
- 3. Serve populations at highest risk for recidivism through high quality assessment tools, use of evidence-based approaches, and individualized case plans.
- 4. Assure services and treatments are based on a continuum of care from adjudication to conclusion of correctional supervision or case management.
- 5. Include and consider the re-entry population, community and victims in service delivery planning and quality assurance "Nothing About Us Without Us".
- 6. Assure services and treatments are provided for individuals as seamlessly as possible between institutions, and from incarceration to the community, through effective criminal justice management.

The Joint Re-Entry One Table approved the Re-Entry Strategic Plan on February 5, 2014; approved by the Public Protection Committee on February 13, 2014 and adopted by the Board of Supervisors on March 11, 2014.

The Plan has been used to apply for State and Federal Grants, including: the DOJ, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Second Chance Act – Adult Reentry Demonstration Program, amount applied for: \$998,168.00, award notification in mid-July; Northern Alameda County Regional Consortium for Adult Education, Restore Adult Education and Community College Funding.

The Plan was also adopted by the Union City Council this year.

Jessica Flintoft, a consultant in criminal justice reform, in addition to former manager of San Francisco City and County's Re-Entry Program presented information about the proposed Governance Structure Ad Hoc Committee's proposed membership structure and criteria for membership.

The proposed membership would comprise of fourteen (14) governmental representatives and fifteen (15) community representatives for a total of 29 members. Formerly incarcerated members criteria include persons released within the last two years between the ages of 18-24 years old, who have also been a victim of crime and least one (1) female, experienced in providing services to justice partners. Governmental representatives should be department heads of their designee and have authority to make policy and budget decisions.

Charles Turner, Re-Entry Manager, Oakland Private Industry Council, presented information about the roles, powers and duties of the proposed Governance Structure Committee.

The proposed roles of the Governance Body include policy development, guidance regarding re-entry and reporting to the Public Protection Committee and reporting to the Board of Supervisors. The powers and duties of the proposed Governance body include: report on reentry-related funding, provide status update reports to the Public Protection committee quarterly regarding implementation of the Plan, report to the Board annually in April regarding implementation of the Plan, make policy recommendations, based on the Plan's goals, benchmarks, gaps, benchmarks and achievements.

Recommendation to the Board

Board of Supervisors (BOS) recommendation to include the following:

- 1. The BOS send letters to organizations inviting participation and requesting appointments
- 2. The Joint Re-Entry One Table receive funding for:
 - ✓ Staffing (1.0 FTE)
 - ✓ Materials/Supplies
 - ✓ Stipends for the formerly incarcerated participants
- 3. Authority
 - ✓ Request appropriate data
 - ✓ Review budget/expenditures relevant to the Plan
 - ✓ Receive information regarding funding and/or pending proposals

Purpose:

- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education
- Request Public Protection Committee Recommendation or Position

Other: Receive Committee feedback on proposed Governance Structure Ad Hoc Committee

Recommendation from the Public Protection Committee: 1) Staff will refine language to "Governmental Representative Criteria" to "make recommendations" instead of "make decisions" on policy and budget; 2) County Counsel will review the possibility, if any, of expanding the role of existing bodies, including: the Community Advisory Board (CAB) the Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee (CCP EC) and the Joint Re-Entry One Table; 3) Staff will report back to the Committee on how this proposed body would work with other departments, agencies, jurisdictions, receive grants and funding etc.; 4) This Committee how the proposed committee would be funded.

II. Peaceful Picketing During Labor Disputes Attachment

Casey Nice, Assistant Sheriff, Alameda County Sheriff's Office, presented a Training Bulletin entitled "Peaceful Picketing during Labor Disputes" dated June 19, 2013.

The Training Bulleting sites that a California Supreme Court decision was upheld regarding peaceful picketing during labor disputes. The decision found that California Law Enforcement Officers and the Courts of California may not eject peaceful union picketers from private property during a labor dispute.

In situations where a protest of laborers is not peaceful or becomes rowdy, the Sheriff's Office will give nonpeaceful protesters warning that they are engaged in activity that is not permissible and they could be arrested.

Speakers

Marissa Sean, representing field organize for East Bay Organizing Committee, for workers fighting for better working conditions, in March of 2015 San Lorenzo, five organizers were arrested at a fast food restaurant by the Alameda County Sheriff's Office. The organizers were doing lawful union activities. Ms. Sean requested the Public Protection Committee to urge the Sheriff's Office to stop the practice of arresting peaceful organizers.

Josie Camacho, Secretary-Treasurer, Alameda Labor Council, support the efforts of the Re-Entry workers. Fast food workers have been engaged in the "Fight for 15", which is a national campaign to increase fast food workers' minimum pay to \$15 per hour. The Alameda Labor Council supports this effort.

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This item was informational only required no Committee action.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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