

COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD



February 4, 2020
1111 Jackson St. Rooms 226-228, Oakland, CA 94607

MINUTES

Present: Raymond Banks, DC Barlow, Barbara Medeiros, Karen Roye, Kamarlo Spooner

Absent: Lou Rigali, Tanasha Stevens, Jasmine Quinn

- **Call to Order:** 6:26 p.m.
- **Reschedule Brown Act Meeting:** Rescheduled to April
- **Schedule Retreat:** Rescheduled to March
- **Review and approve Minutes:**
 - CAB recruitment Committee should read as "Ray, Kamarlo, Karen" : Minutes accepted unanimously with revision
- **CAB – Open Seats & Recruitment:** District 1 – 1 open seats, District 2 - 2, District 3 – 2 open seat, District 4 – 1 opening, District 5 – 1 opening
- **CAB – Recruitment and Retention:**
- **CCP Civic/Community Engagement Sub-Committee:**
 - **Reentry Consumer Advocacy Process** (Brian Ford, Deputy Chief Probation Officer): New process developed. Dedicated phone number and email created for the Client Advocate (Ombudsman). Chief created an Ombudsperson who will be the point of contact for client concerns regarding vendors. Only matter left to do is to add information to website and coordinate vendors signage with phone numbers and email. The Ombudsperson will report directly to the Chief Probation Officer and not be law enforcement. The Ombudsperson will refer appropriately, will not necessarily be conducting the investigation; will "handhold" the complainant.
 - **Model of Engagement**
 - **Entrepreneurial** – no discussion
 - **Housing** –
 - Stone Ramsey (with Hooker Boy Filmz) presented self-published video on "Gentrification = Homelessness"
 - Started interviews in the homeless tents. Most persons they encountered were ex-felons. The persons were shamed for being there.
 - Training for successful reentry must start in prison. Outside need: successful peer support to empower; outreach to tent encampments; holistic collaboration - wrap-around care to address all issues affecting stability, a hands-on approach. This includes psychiatric support.
 - DC: Need the holistic approach, all agencies must work collaboratively...necessitates a case manager.
 - Mentoring must start "inside" and continue outside: Make opportunities for change.

- Tanasha: Persons must be made aware of supportive services – information must be “out there” and if it is, success rate will change (for the better).
 - Barbara: Find out what motivates the client, their driving force and follow-up...need a mentoring program that works.
 - Marcus Dawal, Assistant Chief Probation Officer: A program that starts in prison is showing to have a greater success rate. (Pathways Home, a Probation involved program is an example.)
 - DC: How can CAB create a collaborative team starting with Probation that the formerly incarcerated will respond to; to teach that one must crawl before one walks. Suggests forming a committee to create a workforce of collaborators (Probation, service providers...) to see how we can build a better approach.
 - Dawal suggests a Probation update to include initial assessment, peer mentors, service providers, etc.
 - There was additional discussion regarding mental health services and housing.
- **Institutionalized Racist** – no discussion
- **Re-naming “Formerly Incarcerated”**: Additional surveys were provided, no consensus; Per Rodney, the persons he spoke to felt “it” (use of the term formerly incarcerated) was “self-imposed stigma”.
- **Neola Crosby Workgroup and Other Reports**:
 - **Year 7 Status Update** (July 2017-2018): Information compiled from many different agencies: Probation, DA, Sheriff, Behavioral Health, Public Defender
 - **Guiding Principles**: 1) Individual Accountability, 2) Research-based Efforts and Tracking and 3) Community Reinvestment & Reducing Recidivism.
 - **Goals**: Transparent Public Protection, Effective Transition and Innovative & Therapeutic Support
 - Focuses on Allocations/Expenditures and Program
 - Program includes:
 - 1) Outcomes and Results-based Accountability - Quality and Impact are measure. Are people better off?
 - 2) Status Updates.
 - **Total Allocation** \$48,210,661
 - CBO Allocation is \$21,428,421 (50% of FY 16/17 allocation) - Alameda County is the only county in the state to provide this percentage of funding to CBOs.
 - Includes, amongst other, Substance Use Disorder Services, Clinics for Reentry and Barrier Removal, Housing, Leadership Development, Prison Pre-Release Planning, Female and Male Residential Multi-Service Center and Transition Day Reporting Center.
 - Governmental Partner Allocation (Probation, District Attorney, Sheriff, Public Defender): \$26,237,638
 - 18/19 Allocations – Includes 11 new areas of funding (over \$7,000,000) approved by CCP EC and the CAB
 - **Probation Population**: The number of clients under supervision is declining. In 17/18 - 10,738 persons total. Reasons for decrease include: Prop 47, Early termination, clean slate and quality control. Current number is 7912.

- **Recidivism:**
 - Statewide definition: Conviction of a new felony or misdemeanor committed within three years of release from custody or committed within three years of placement on supervision for a previous criminal conviction.
 - AC tends to file probation violation in lieu of new charge so Alameda County tracks other measurements
 - New convictions (FY 17/18) 30% or 1017 clients
 - Violations and Petitions to revoke – 18% or 617 clients
 - 61% occurred in first year
 - 24% in 2nd year
 - 15% in 3 year
 - Recidivism Rate (Grant start date in 2014 who had at least one conviction within 3 years of grant date):
 - 50% (508 clients) within 1 year, 34% (356 clients) within 2 years and 16% (159 clients) within 3 years.
 - Active clients with new conviction in Fiscal Year is 5.7%, a slight increase from 16/17
 - 9% have new conviction one year after termination probation
- **Outcomes:** for Employment, Housing, Education, Mental Health, Substance Abuse Treatment, Peer Mentoring (FUBU), Transition Day Reporting Center, Operation My Hometown and Clean Slate.
 - Other focus areas will also receive expenditure outcomes and status reports – Includes Probation's Community Capacity Fund, Behavioral Health's Innovations in Reentry, Sheriff's In-custody services and the Public Defender's Social Worker Program.
 - Alameda County has an evaluator who will present his/her findings to CAB. Will be determining if there is a relationship between recidivism and services
 - Employment Service Benchmarks
 - Vendor is BOSS, contract with La Familia and others
 - 551 referred for employment services, 74% enrolled, 69% enrolled subsidized employment. 30 people from the 551 referred were still employed at 6 months.
 - Percentage of those served and those maintaining jobs increased from 16/17
 - Housing: Started in 2012...to June 2018
 - 17/18 - 18% increase from prior years.
 - Providers: Abode and East Oakland and Community Project (north)
 - Persons who exited program, 84% obtained permanent housing (54%, 118 persons) or temporary (30%, 66 persons)
 - Men of Valor: Transitional housing and support services. Average 36 clients per month. 100% of those referred, enrolled.
 - Education- Five Keys provider.
 - Referred 114, 70 assessed
 - 51 enrolled in HS/GED, 4 completed
 - 14 enrolled in college
 - Mental Health – Referred to ACCESS

- Referrals down
 - 17/18 – 66 referred
 - 14/15 – 118 referred, 15/16 144 referred, 16/17, 23 referred
- ACCESS as “Referrals only” seems not to work well.
- Clinical review specialists (also tried) also only provided referrals
- Now: new staff, including a behavioral health clinician and expect numbers to continue to increase.
- Substance Abuse treatment
 - 373 AB109 clients referred and served.
 - Contract with Center Point who refers appropriately
 - 92% SUD referrals come from Deputy Probation Office
- Peer Mentoring Services (For Us By Us) – 4 contractors – 72 referrals
- Transition Day Reporting Center (TDRC) – LCA contract
 - 180 referred in 17/18
 - Referrals up from 14/16, down from 16/17
- ACSO In custody – Operation My Hometown: 300 total persons
 - 22%, 66 persons were PRCS
 - 40%, 121 persons were Formal Probation
 - 27%, 80 persons were Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction
 - 11%, 33 persons were Mom’s and Dad’s
- Clean Slate
 - all numbers (petition filed, petitions granted, and clients served) increased from prior years
 - In 2018, 2671 petitions filed, 2572 petitions granted, and 832 clients served.
- **Agenda Building:** Call to order, Minutes, CAB Recruitment, Cab Recruitment and retention, See 5 on the Agenda, secretary, transparent, Housing Presentation
- **Public Comment:** None
- **Adjourned:** 8:32

Next Meeting

March 5, 2020, 6:15 – 8:15
777 B Street
Hayward, CA