

ALAMEDA COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP ADULT REENTRY STRATEGIC PLANNING MEETING

July 23, 2018, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Youth Uprising, 8711 MacArthur Blvd, Oakland, CA 94605

Present:

Wendy Still	Martin J. Neideffer (for Rich Lucia)
Christine Boynton and Tracey Burns (for L. Karen Monroe)	Kamarlo Spooner (for CAB)
Rodney Brooks (for Brendon Woods)	Eric von Geldern (for Nancy O'Malley)
Colleen Chawla	

Guests:

Charles Eddy	Isaac Ramos	Neola Crosby
Christina Gutierrez	Jon Fajardo	Nghirp Lam
Dan Simmons	Lazandra Dial	Rashad Eady
Donald Frazier	Leticia Davis-Cammack	Seth Gomez
Earl Simms	Marcia Massa	Shahidah Lacy
Harrison Seuga	Marcus Dawal	Steve Weiss
Heather Bean	Michael Katz	Tamika Cotright (Recorder)

MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order and Introductions - Chief Still called the meeting to order.

Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the April 4, 2018 were reviewed. Coleen Chawla made the motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Eric Von Geldern. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

Review of the Road to Re-Entry Planning Process and Overall Goals

Chief Still provided an overview of the discussion from the April Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) meeting. The Board has finished the Vision 2026 Plan and Probation has completed its five-year Vision 2023 strategic plan. She also acknowledged that the landscape has dramatically changed since the Adult Reentry Strategic Plan was adopted by the Board in 2014. Some of those changes include Prop 57, along with services that were not available, such as Probation's ability to skype into CDCR prisons to connect with clients 180 days prior to release. It will be necessary to update the Plan to reflect these types of changes, along with providing a demographic update.

Neola Crosby provided historical information regarding the planning process and an in-depth overview of the Board-adopted Adult Reentry Strategic Plan, including the definitions, themes/goals, performance measures and strategies. The strategic planning process began in 2013, using elements of Results-Based Accountability (RBA), a planning process that begins with the "end result" for the population and system. Implementation of the Plan was to include ongoing review, monitoring, reporting and updates, as needed, to reflect changes in the County's reentry landscape.

Structure

The strategy is to align the goals of the Reentry Plan with Alameda County's Vision 2026 goals to ensure that reentry services in Alameda County for governmental partners coincide with community-based and other local governmental strategies.

Deliverables and Timelines by October 2018

A. Establish Sub-Committees

Neola Crosby noted that the recommendation is to establish sub-committees and chairs/co-chairs for each of the sub-categories within Goals 1 and 2. The sub-committees will be comprised of stakeholders applicable to the various categories and will report status updates to the CCP. The recommended sub-committee chairs/co-chairs are as follows:

GOAL #1 – Recidivism

1. Wendy Still (Chair)
2. Sherriff G. Ahern
3. Nancy O'Malley
4. Brendon Woods

GOAL #2 - Below are the recommended sub-committees and chairs/co-chairs:

Community/Civic Engagement

Steven Medeiros & Claudia del Rio, CAB members (Co-Chairs), or designee

Education

1. L. Karen Monroe (Chair)
2. Dr. Tina Vasconcellos, College of Alameda (Co-Chair)

Family Reunification/Stability

1. Phyllis Nance (Chair)
2. Fatherhood Group (Co-Chair)

Housing

1. Chris Bazar (Chair), or designee
2. Melanie Atendido (Co-Chair)

Mental Health/Trauma-Informed Care

Colleen Chawla or designee (Chair)

Primary Health Care/Physical Health

Colleen Chawla or designee (Chair)

Social Services (benefits: public assistance, etc.)

Lori Cox (Chair), or designee

Substance Abuse

Colleen Chawla or designee (Chair)

Workforce Development/Employment

1. Lori Cox (Chair)
2. Oakland WIB (Co-Chair)
3. Alameda County WDB (Co-Chair)

There were several suggestions to the sub-committee structure, as noted below:

- Invite someone from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR);
- Goal #1 – Recidivism: Add someone from the Courts, possibly the presiding judge;
- Education: Invite the Consortium;
- Family Reunification/Stability: Invite someone from Community Works and the Family Justice Center;
- Housing: Suggestion is to add Linda Gardner as the designee for Chris Bazar (Chair); and
- Workforce Development/Employment: Add Economic Development; add Stephen Baiter's name for the Oakland WDB Co-Chair; and suggest that Patti Castro serve as the Co-Chair for the Alameda County WDB.

It was agreed that invitations will be sent to the entire reentry distribution list to invite anyone who would like to participate the opportunity.

B. Complete Reentry Plan Worksheet (Goals 1 and 2)

Neola Crosby developed an “At-A-Glance” worksheet, noting the performance measures and strategies for each of the sub-categories. The tasks for each sub-committee chair are to: 1) Outreach to partners/stakeholders pertinent to the respective category; 2) Hold a meeting, prior to the October CCP meeting, if possible; and 3) Complete the worksheet, noting the status for implementing the performance measures/strategies and recommended updates. The sub-committees will be provided written instructions for completing the “At-A-Glance” worksheets. The recidivism worksheet was submitted, as an example.

C. Departmental Assessment (Goals 3 and 4)

For Goals 3 and 4, a Departmental Assessment survey was developed to ascertain the status of an organizations’ ability to capture and report outcomes/data for the reentry population that are in alignment with the Reentry Strategic Plan. The Assessment will also be used to garner information regarding the use of evidenced-based practices throughout the reentry system. The Assessment will be distributed to both government and community partners. Results will be provided to the CCP.

Action: Eric Von Geldern made the motion to approve the Deliverables and Timelines (Items A-C above) to include approving the amended list of sub-committee chairs/co-chairs and attendees. The motion was seconded by Rodney Brooks and unanimously carried.

Upcoming Meetings

Proposed meeting dates were presented for the next three quarterly meetings, as follows: October 3, 2018 (District 2); January 30, 2019 (District 1); and April 3, 2019 (District 5). The plan is to rotate the meetings throughout the County to be held at community sites within the five supervisorial districts. It was noted that the first two meetings were held in Districts 3 and 4.

Action: Chief Still made the motion to approve the next three meeting dates. The motion was seconded by Eric Von Geldern and approved unanimously.

The October meeting will be held at Glad Tidings COGIC, 970 Glad Tidings Way, Hayward, CA 94544. Notification of the other locations will be distributed, once sites have been identified.

Public Comments

- Donald Frazier asked if the plan is to aim for a true system change to reduce activity of law enforcement. Chief Still replied that we are currently working on strategies, and already have a wide variety of services throughout the County. The County has aligned funding based upon the demographics of the realignment population in the County. Oakland, for example, receives a larger share of funding due to the concentration of the realignment population in that city. The goal is to also work to prevent individuals from entering the system. To that end, the County has established funding for a delinquency prevention network of providers to work with youth at-risk of entering the system.

- Shahidah Lacy inquired if a community member could serve as a co-chair for the Recidivism Subcommittee. Chief Still noted that the sub-committee will remain with the members noted and, after the members meet, a vote can occur to determine a co-chair.
- Charlie Eddy noted that the Board had already adopted the Plan and wanted to ensure that we were not attempting to create another reentry plan but update the current plan.

Adjournment