I. Reading Between the Bars, A Report on California Public Safety Realignment

Elizabeth Siggins, Director, Local Safety Solutions Project, Californians for Safety and Justice, presented a PowerPoint presentation on a Report on California Public Safety Realignment.

Californians for Safety and Justice, founded in 2012, is a non-profit group that is aimed at implementing solutions to improve public safety and reduce justice system costs.

The program offers alternatives to jails through education, life skills classes and job training. In addition to engaging the business community, health and education partners to collaborate with public safety partners.

Speakers

Timothy Smith asked what opportunities are available to formerly incarcerated persons can benefit from the Californians for Safety and Justice.

Charles Eddy: Urban Strategies Council, working with victims and victims groups, restorative justice, victims groups were most harsh voices, making sentences longer, how work with the victims groups.

Attachment

Purpose:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Maria Dominguez, Ella Baker Center for Human Rights asked when will the Year 4 Realignment funds become available and request the Board of Supervisors commit 50% of the funds to community based organizations that provide direct services for formerly incarcerated persons.
Darris Young, Ella Baker Center for Human Rights stated that he is leased that Supervisor Carson has recommended the implementation of the Community Capacity Fund and requested that this fund be discussed at the next Public Protection Committee meeting.

Neola Crosby, Reentry Coordinator, Probation Department stated that the Probation Department is still participating in on-going discussions and planning meetings with the Fiscal and Procurement Workgroup regarding the Year 4 Realignment Funds.