

**ALAMEDA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE**

Thursday, May 14, 2020
10:00 a.m.

Supervisor Richard Valle, Chair
Supervisor Scott Haggerty

**Location: Board of Supervisors Chambers
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street, Suite 512
Oakland, CA 94612**

Webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/99247500951>

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SUMMARY/ACTION MINUTES

1. COVID-19 Update on Operations at the Juvenile Justice Center and Camp Wilmont Sweeney
[Attachment](#)

Wendy Still, Chief Probation Officer, Alameda County Probation Department, presented a PowerPoint presentation on COVID-19 and its impact on Operations at the Juvenile Justice Center and Camp Wilmont Sweeney.

Adult Probation

Due to COVID -19, there were 191 individuals released early from Santa Rita Jail to Probation and are receiving various services. In collaboration with criminal justice partners, the Probation Department has implemented COVID-19 procedures such as screening protocols for Entry and screening protocols at intake.

Juvenile Probation

On March 4, 2020 the Alameda County Presiding Juvenile Judge issued a court order granting the Chief Probation Officer certain authority and discretion during COVID-19 to allow 22 early terminations to date. The Probation Department has weekly calls to keep community stakeholders and partners informed

Services

- 163 families have received services totaling \$41,000
- Clients and their families received gift cards for SaveMart, Lucky's, Target, Walmart, Burlington, Uber, Subway, AC Transit, BART, etc.
- 5 families received emergency housing support totaling \$11,000
- Out of state placement juveniles were returned to California leading to a multi-agency, multi-jurisdictional effort to return them and rehouse them
- As of June 2020 there will be no youth in out-of-state placement

Purpose:

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

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

2. COVID-19 Update on Operations at Santa Rita Jail

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Tom Madigan, Assistant Sheriff, Alameda County Sheriff's Office, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the COVID-19 impact on Operations at Santa Rita Jail.

The Alameda County Sheriff's Office is dedicated to mitigating the risks presented by the COVID-19 pandemic to inmates and staff within Santa Rita Jail (SRJ). Since March of 2020, SRJ Administration has implemented best practices as provided by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Public Health and Wellpath to protect the staff and those in custody from the dangers of COVID-19.

Processes and procedures are reevaluated daily to match or exceed the standards as recommended by the CDC and the Alameda County Public Health Department. Great measures have been taken to secure supplies and extra staffing to ensure this pandemic is handled with the utmost of caution, both for the safety of our staff and inmates.

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3. COVID-19 Update on Mental Health Service Delivery in Santa Rita Jail and at John George Psychiatric Hospital

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Colleen Chawla, Director, Alameda County Health Care Services Agency and Dr. Karyn Tribble, Director, Alameda County Behavioral Health Care Services

Operational Changes due to COVID-19

Staff schedules have been adjusted to enhance ability for social distancing and decrease their risk of exposure as well as clients.

Use of flex schedules have been employed as needed.

Staff can use telehealth modalities to support clients and complete documentation at home (telecommuting) whenever possible.

(NOTE: intake/ booking staff excluded and are required on-site to perform related clinical tasks.)

In order to ensure adequate staffing levels in light of Shelter-in-Place Orders, clinical work assignments have been divided amongst staff to ensure that work in booking/ crisis is shared and that all clinical staff have the option to work remotely as well as on-site in the jail.

- All staff have PPE including masks, hand sanitizer, goggles/ face shields, access to gloves/gowns when required.
- Seating and schedules have been adjusted to allow for social distancing.
- Daily updates and information are provided to staff from AFBH/Wellpath.
- Weekly ALL Staff conference call to provide updates, information, education, listen to staff about concerns, fears re: COVID, ideas about support they or clients need.
- Rapid deployment of ACBH/AFBH staff and mobilization of ACBH/HCSA contracted providers to on-site discharge planning aid and care coordination to inmates upon release due to COVID-19 early mandated releases.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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