Humboldt County Community Corrections Partnership – Executive Committee

Date: August 16, 2023

Time: 12:15 PM to 1:30 PM

Location: Humboldt County Courthouse, 1st Floor, Conference Room A

Required Member Agencies (pursuant to Penal Code Section 1230.1(b): Chief Probation Officer – Chair, Chief of Police, Sheriff, District Attorney, Public Defender, presiding judge of the Superior Court (or designee), and one representative from Mental Health, AOD or Social Services (pursuant to PC1230(b)(2)(G), (H) or (J), as designated by the Board of Supervisors).

Minutes

I. Call to Order
Interim Chief Probation Officer Coral Sanders called the meeting to order at 12:18pm.

II. Roll Call of Voting Members
- Coral Sanders, Chief Probation Officer
- Stacey Eads, District Attorney
- William Honsal, Sheriff
- Ron Sligh, Ferndale Chief of Police
- Luke Brownfield, Public Defender
- Connie Beck, Director of DHHS
- Gregory Kreis, Superior Court Judge; proxy Meara Hattan

III. Review and approval of minutes – July 19, 2023
Sheriff Honsal moved to approve the July meeting minutes. Ferndale Police Chief Sligh seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion was carried unanimously.

IV. Adjustments to Agenda
No adjustments were made to the agenda.

V. Review of AB 109 trust fund and budget.
Interim Probation Chief Sanders gave a brief report out of the current status of the AB109 Trust account.
- Fiscal Year 22-23 ended with roughly $11.4 million in the trust (this does not include encumbered funds).
- $240,000.00 of this is PRCS only.
- $550k is for training.
- $5.1 million in growth.
- The reserve balance is at $1.2 million.
- $3.85 million is set aside for the jail expansion project.
VI. **DISCUSSION ITEM: Review of current HCCCP funded positions**

Connie Beck: DHHS had an internal discussion regarding if their current funded positions by CCP was sufficient. In 2021, DHHS had $621,000.00 in salary savings; in 2022 there was $397,000.00 in salary savings; in Fiscal Year 22-23 there was $175,000.00 in salary savings. Due to the decrease in salary savings, DHHS is better utilizing their funded positions in more recent years.

Coral Sanders: PRCS is utilizing all CCP funded positions. With the current population increasing, the need for this staff will also increase.

William Honsal – There are currently five positions in the Jail funded by CCP. All positions have been deemed necessary to continue. Staff looked at funding of jail programs and saw that CCP was providing a half wage for a College of the Redwoods instructor for educational purposes. This position is now fully funded by College of the Redwoods.

VII. **DISCUSSION ITEM: HCSO – Jail: Update on the jail expansion project**

Sheriff Honsal provided a summary of the jail expansion project.
- The project went out to bid with 1 bid received that was $14 million over budget.
- HCSO went back to the drawing board to try to get costs down.
- A new proposal will be brought before the board to reject the current bid and approve a new program moving forward.
- The new program will consist of a facility that will house out of custody prisoners as an alternative to jail.
- They will receive intensive programming and will be released during the day to do work service programs or other jail programs and will be housed at night as part of a step-down program of the jail.
- By allowing this program, it will likely save money and allow the jail expansion project to be on budget.
- This is a unique situation that will be a benefit to the community. This would allow HCSO to not have to build a jail facility, and therefore have lesser building guidelines due to the type of facility this building would be.

Captain Christian stated that this was the most effective way to receive the intended outcomes of this population while staying in budget. This would house the AB109 population and provide them with intensive programming, while giving the flexibility to clients to allow them to leave for employment, SWAP, and/or education purposes.
OLD BUSINESS:

VIII. Review of Realignment Data -Discussion Item
*Monthly Review of data submitted by CCP Plan partners.*
Data handouts were provided during the meeting and can be found in the Agenda Center on the County’s website.

IX. Set agenda for next meeting (August 16, 2023).
- Possible report out from DHHS on county staff who attended the CIT training.

X. Roundtable (as time permits)
*Darren Ghisetti-Probation:* SRP is evaluating their Electronic Monitoring system to see if they would like to stay with their current vendor or select a new one. The courts are requesting more clients be on Electronic Monitoring, which is cause for a reassessment of SRP’s current equipment and process. An RFP was sent out and responses are being reviewed to select a vendor.

*Paul Bugnacki-DHHS:* Staffing levels are fluctuating. Brian Barnes will be leaving his position that is currently located at CCRC. An increase of nurses is being utilized: 1 at CCRC and 1-2 at the Jail. The state hospital is continuing to push for county solutions for outpatient facilities for those who are incompetent to stand trial. DHHS has applied for $500k of funding to assist with the planning phase of this.

*Melissa Furbee-ETD:* ETD is looking at the services provided for AB109 clients and invites others to be a part of that process if they’d like.

XI. Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 1:05pm.