

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP
February 13, 2014 Meeting

Present: Mary Butler, Ron Abernathy, Silva Darbinian, Rick Feldstein, Paul Gero, Howard Himes, Gary Lieberstein, Mark Luce, Rich Melton, Barbara Nemko, Amanda Owens, Steve Potter, John Robertson, Lenard Vare

Not Present: Mark Boessenecker, Elizabeth Habkirk, Aimee Major, Bret Prebula, Jaye Vanderhurst, Nancy Watt

Others Present: Jim Featherstone, Molly Rattigan, Doug Pharr, Francisca Tisher, Marty Malin, Leanne Link, Jon Gjestvang, Mariana Betancourt

PUBLIC COMMENT

Doug Pharr - Looking forward to hear what it is going on. Good things can happen through rehabilitation and intervention programs instead of having individuals locked up as the solution. Also looking forward to hear Mary speak about how well the different programs are doing.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2013 and NOVEMBER 7, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

Motion: Ron Abernathy

Second: Howard Himes

Motion Approved

BUDGET UPDATE

(Handout Provided) We have the estimated roll-over and now is the time to project out the next five years and as we spend money we can see the impact it will have in the out years not just current year. Part of the large amount of estimated roll-over is that we have been trying to hold money for the Staff Secure Facility to be able to operate it. State allocation funds being projected is only a guess. We are sure of what we are getting this year and possibly the next year, but we don't know about the growth amount money we will receive. That money comes in at a different time than our regular budget money. These numbers are all estimates, but we do think that with the growth money they are fairly close. One-Time Funding is money we use for training and planning, it was money that was only going to come in for the first two years but the governor has decided to keep giving it to us. Back in November it was mentioned we had to complete a survey to get \$100K and that check was just received and it will help us move forward with our training and planning needs.

There was \$500K set aside for the capital expenses for the staff secure facility at NSH and it turned out we needed \$1M to fix that building up. Since that time we have received funding to build new building and will not be going to NSH. We are now requesting to move the \$500K to the jail capital projects account.

JAIL PROJECTS

The profile of inmates is changing as people are staying in-custody longer and we can't house everyone in a dorm style setting. There has been an increase in the use of electronic monitoring and there has been a savings of 3,600 bed days a year. About 30% of inmate population have mental health issues and cannot be housed in a dorm style setting.

Worked with different people and have identified the types of things that the jail needs. In light of realignment and the changing profiles at the jail added programs and right type of cells are needed. With staff secure facility, electronic monitoring, and home detentions it takes away a lot of the low risk inmates away from the jail and what is then left is the middle custody and inmates with higher custody needs. One area that has been looked at is the basement area of the current jail to create a 45 bed dorm style facility and 10 cell regular/medium custody cell facility which can house 20 inmates (2 person cells) and in addition build programming space. Also, we are looking at expanding the GEEP program and placing it in the remodeled basement facility. In the event of an emergency fire/earthquake inmates would be taken to an area that is more secure and can stay in shelter at that place until additional help can arrive.

Motion: Gary Lieberstein
Second: Rich Melton
Motion Approved

Board approved to move \$500K that was going to the staff secure facility will now go to the jail project.

JAIL GED PROPOSAL

(Handout Provided) The proposed Correctional Literacy Pilot Program is intended to reduce recidivism by assisting inmates in obtaining better opportunities through educational development. The program is designed to prepare inmates for completion of their High School equivalency exams through GED classes. Eligible inmates will receive assessments and personalized education plans. Inmates actively participating in the program can continue the weekly classes at the Napa County Library if released prior to completing the program.

The exact annual cost will be based upon inmate participation. The projected cost is \$60,000 (\$30,000 per fiscal year) for the creation of the proposed two year pilot program.

Motion: Gary Lieberstein
Second: Rick Feldstein
Motion Approved

MENTAL HEALTH COURT UPDATE

Since 2009 there have been 20 participants. Of those 20 participants nine have graduated and have not been arrested since their graduation.

Position has not been filled for Mental Health Court. Mental Health is looking to fill position to be able to bring up number of participants to 15.

COUNTY/COURT INTEGRATION PROJECT

(Handouts Provided) Dan and the IT team have been at adult probation for the last three weeks working on CJNET, but it is now up and running. Once everything has been worked out at adult IT will be working with corrections. IT has also been working on e-discovery for the public and private attorneys and will soon be working with the Courts for their updates and case management system.

Congratulations to Dan on receiving the non-probation statewide award from the Chief Probation Officers of California for the work he has done on our program.

STATUS OF REALIGNMENT

Alcohol and drug is working on re-assignment of supervisors and line staff. Also, in the process of hiring an administrator, screening begins next week of 17 applicants. Major funding source for department comes from Medi-cal and as of January 1st CMSP moved to Medi-cal.

Realignment population remains low. We are number five in state at 75% of split sentencing.

There is a Mental Health training coming up on March 13th in Sacramento titled “And Justice for All.” If anyone is interested there is realignment money. Mary will scan and send information to everyone.

BI will be celebrating their 5 years in a couple of weeks.

SB 1022 AWARD UPDATE

We have received grant of almost \$14M which now eliminates the need to create beds at NSH. We have location of where future jail site will be and a transitional facility where people can go to receive programming and treatment that will help them transition back into the community.

NEXT AGENDA ITEMS

Adding Programming through realignment

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meeting adjourned to April 3, 2014