

Community Corrections Partnership (CCP)
Executive Committee Meeting
June 18, 2014
Public Safety Conference Room
1525 Court Street, Second Floor
Redding CA

Attendees:

Tracie Neal, Erin Ceccarelli, Chelsey Chappelle, Penny Mossman, Lannie Riley – Shasta County Probation
Julie Hope – Shasta County Administrative Office
Brian Muir – Shasta County Auditor/Controller Office
Stephen Carlton – Shasta County District Attorney
Donnell Ewert – Shasta County Health & Human Services Agency (HHSA)
Sheila Ashmun, Anthony Bertain – Shasta County Sheriff's Office
Melissa Fowler-Bradley – Shasta County Superior Court
Roger Moore – Redding Police Department
Charles Alexander – Public Participant
Robert Wharton – Public Participant

CCP Executive Committee Members are in bold.

Meeting Overview

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m. A quorum was present.

Introductions were made.

Public Comment

Robert Wharton spoke about the number of AB109 offenders and establishing the costs related to each offender (not by name). Robert stated he believed it would be possible to obtain a true cost per individual by calculating the costs associated with support staff, Deputy Probation Officers, Sheriffs, staff assisting with program referrals, and treatment service fees. He stated these total expenses should help reflect the cost and efficiency of the treatment for an offender.

Approval of Minutes

Steve Carlton moved to approve the minutes from the May 21, 2014 meeting. Melissa Fowler-Bradley seconded the motion. Motion passed 4 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Financial Report

Julie Hope distributed a fiscal year (FY) 13/14 Revenue Report which included a revenue history comparison. She stated revenue for the regular allocation is on target. Julie stated the nine CAO Committee Members may have an allocation methodology for the FY 2014/15 by the end of June. Once a methodology is determined, it will be reviewed again in a couple of years.

Erin Ceccarelli distributed the Planning Grant and Training and Implementation Fund Reports. She stated since the last meeting there has been one charge to the Planning Grant for a meeting room rental. Erin also stated she has included the FY 2014/15 Budget Obligations to the reports.

Discussion Items

Tracie shared that she presented the CCP Plan to the Board of Supervisors at their meeting on Tuesday, June 17th, and that the Plan passed four to one. She stated there were questions regarding costs related to the Day Reporting Center (DRC) and some questions related to setting specific outcome targets with dates and percentages. Julie commended Tracie on a great job. Brian Muir seconded Julie's comments and felt Tracie's responses to questions were appropriate.

Tracie distributed a letter from Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) dated June 2, 2014 regarding the definition of recidivism. Melissa stated she has some concerns and would like to see arrests and charges filed along with convictions included in the definition. Steve expressed support of the definition. There was general discussion regarding the definition and it was decided department/agency heads could submit individual comments regarding the definition during the public comment timeline.

Tracie began the discussion regarding the increasing credit earning from 20% to 33.3% on non-violent, non-sex second strikers who are released early on Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS). She indicated there will be additional eighty-one offenders released statewide each month for the first twenty-four months and then the numbers released should plateau. Tracie said the offenders would be released 30 days earlier in 2014, 90 days earlier in 2015 and 135 days earlier in 2016 than their original expected release date. She shared there has been \$11.3 Million allocated in the Governor's budget for this population, but no funding formula has been established. California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) has not released numbers specific to counties and the impact of these early releases. However, there is great concern regarding the impact to the Probation Department, treatment services, and county jail beds with the number of early releases.

Tracie shared that Erin Ceccarelli and Penny Mossman have been working with Northern Valley Catholic Social Services (NVCSS) to address some concerns about the housing program at the Community Correction Center (CCC). Penny stated these concerns included a slow start to the program and the percentage of people referred who actually found housing. There were 132 offenders with housing as a top criminogenic need. Referrals were written for 102 offenders; forty were deemed "not appropriate for the program" because they returned to jail, did not show up to see the housing worker, entered residential treatment or similar reasons. In the last eleven months, fourteen offenders have been successfully housed. In the future, offenders who have

received services but found housing on their own will be included in the successfully housed numbers. There were eleven referrals during May and an active caseload of thirty-seven.

Penny distributed a handout of the programs at the CCC. She stated her staff have been working hard to get those offenders on GPS units to jail and to locate those who absconded or cut off the units. Penny expressed her concern for the low numbers in the employment area and will be looking at that program.

Sheila Ashmun gave an update on “Shasta’s Most Wanted” Project. She stated 192 offenders have been identified and twenty-six are still outstanding. She stated she felt the program was working to get offenders to sentencing. The longest prison term for an offender who appeared in “Shasta’s Most Wanted” is eight years and eight months and the longest jail term is six years and four months. Fifty-three offenders have been sentenced and then released and seventeen are waiting transport to State Prison. There was general discussion regarding offenders who are sentenced, not granted Supervised Own Recognizance (SOR), have a change in circumstances and the possibility of asking the Judge to consider (SOR) at that time.

Sheila gave an update from the Sheriff’s Office. She stated there are 203 offenders on work release, fifteen on Home Electronic Confinement (HEC), sixty-eight on GPS monitors, six in the Phase Program, sixteen in the STEP-UP Program with one who graduated from Shasta College last month, ten at the DRC, eight waiting transport to Napa Mental Hospital and thirty-one offenders in out-of-county beds. Sheila stated the jail is no longer housing offenders in Lassen County due to medical overage, however, there is a contract pending with Nevada County. Sheila said there is a contract with (CDCR) for fire camps and one offender qualifies for the program. Sheila talked about the Compliance Team and the stats from the Sheriff’s Office. She stated from May 21 to date there were nine contacts with AB109 offenders, thirteen searches and seven arrested. There were eighty-eight contacts of Non-AB109 offenders, thirty-two searches and thirteen arrests.

Action Items

Tracie distributed the BI/DRC outcome measures for FY 2014/15. There was general discussion regarding sobriety, missed tests, how missed tests are recorded and handled. Tracie stated BI had shared with her that, of their centers, Shasta County has one of the higher substance abuse rates within their centers in California. Donnell stated he would like to see specific numbers for graduation, not a range. He also stated he would like to see a snapshot date of 12/31/14 and 6/30/15 with a length of time employed in the employment section. There was discussion about whether the basis for the goal of seventy-five offenders enrolled and participating in the program was based on the need of the offenders or the goal of expanding the program regardless of need. Tracie explained that the Probation Department felt it was a realistic goal and the offender need was there. She stated she would work on the goals and bring them as an action item at a future meeting.

Operational Updates

Other Items for Discussion/Future Agenda Items

Tracie stated she would like to have a discussion regarding the high number of offenders with drug and alcohol issues and the structure needed to treat and rehabilitate that population at a future meeting. If there are any other agenda items, please forward them to her. The next Executive Committee Meeting will be on July 16th at National University.

Adjourn

Steve made a motion to adjourn. Melissa seconded. Motion passed 4 Ayes, 0 Noes.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:49 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Lannie Riley