

**Shasta County Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) Meeting  
September 28, 2023, 3:00pm  
Juvenile Probation, 1810 Market Street, Redding, California**

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>ALTERNATES</b>	<b>Title/Agency or Role</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Alternate</b>
Tracie Neal	Chelsey Chappelle	Chief Probation Officer, Chair	X		
Stephanie Bridgett	Sarah Murphy	Shasta County District Attorney	X		
Bill Bateman	Michael Khoronov	Public Defender's Office			X
Michael Johnson	Gene Randall	Shasta County Sheriff	X		
Kevin Crye	Mary Rickert	Board of Supervisors			X
Laura Burch	Cindy Lane	Department of Social Services	X		
Miguel Rodriguez	Laura Stapp	Dept. of Mental Health			X
Susan Wilson	Jennifer Coulter	Community based AOD Program representative			X
Bill Schueller	Ron Icely	Redding Police Department			X
Steve Blunk		Anderson Police Department		X	
Judy Flores	Carie Webb	Shasta County Office of Education	X		
Steve McFarland	Cindy Vogt	Member at Large			X
Michael Burke	Mandy Saulsbury	Non-profit CBO providing services to youth		X	
Judge Molly Bigelow	Lisa Jenkins	Shasta County Superior Court			X

**Attendees Present:**

Chelsey Chappelle, Daren Fisher, Jeremy Kenyon, Kurt Sauer, Twyla Carpenter, Melanie Jarrett – **Shasta County Probation**  
 Maureen Shannon – **HHSA**  
 Christina Massey - **City of Redding**  
 Matthew McOmber – **County Counsel**  
 Danielle Gehrung, Karen Graff – **GEO Shasta Day Reporting Center**  
 Valerie Hartley – **Shasta ILP**  
 Jackie Durant – **Hope City**

**Meeting Overview**

The Meeting was called to order at 3:01pm. A quorum was present. Introductions were made.

**Public Comment**

Jackie Durant shared information on restorative justice legislation in California and AB 60.

## **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Cindy Vogt moved to approve the meeting minutes for March 23, 2023. Judy Flores seconded the motion. Motion passed: 10 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstention.

## **Financial Report**

No financial report was provided.

## **Discussion Item**

- A. *Committee members will receive a copy of the GEO River's Edge Academy (REA) Annual Report and receive a presentation from Danielle Gehrung.*

Danielle Gehrung provided a copy of the annual report and shared information on the cognitive, behavioral, and individually tailored programming and services provided by GEO to the youth in REA. GEO has served 23 unique youth since inception in April of 2021. The average daily population is 10 youth, and 15 individual youth were served last year. Danielle also shared demographics, risks, goals, discharges, ACEs and other assessment information, and the enjoyment and benefits the youth get from developing their social skills while in the program. Danielle was happy to announce there were no negative discharges for the last reporting period. They have recently added gang curriculum. She shared information on aftercare, trying to maintain relationships with program alumni and mentorship opportunities for prior participants.

Cindy Vogt asked a question about substance abuse. Danielle said the program addresses substance abuse if it is a need. Jackie Durant asked who does the assessments? Danielle said their staff members do them.

- B. *Committee member will receive an update on Shasta County Probation Secure Track Treatment Programs (STTP) and subcommittee activities.*

Tracie Neal said the numbers for the STTP program are higher than anticipated and other counties are seeing a similar trend. She said the program currently has eight residents, and three are DJJ returnees who are over the age of 18. Jeremy Kenyon shared one youth is going to be paroled in November. Tracie reminded the group that Probation has a contract with Remi Vista to provide sex offender treatment similar to their STRTP in the community.

Tracie said recruitment is taking place for a Peer Support Specialist to work with youth and their family and a SCOE Project Coordinator for College and Career Readiness. Tracie also shared a little bit about the Rising Scholars Grant, the programming GEO Reentry is providing and other programs. She said they are moving forward with the demo of the old juvenile hall and discussed the west recreation yard project.

Tracie answered questions and shared information about contracted providers, the work of the STTP Probation Officer, the stepdown process works, etc. Tracie said they are working to implement curriculum for victim awareness and impact.

- C. *Handouts: Coronavirus Emergency supplemental funding and Edwards Byrne's Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).*

Tracie referred to handouts provided with the agenda. She provided an overview on the grants.

### **Action Items**

- A. *Committee members will consider appointing a new member, Cindy Vogt, as the representative for the Member at Large.*

Jennifer Coulter made a motion to appoint Cindy Vogt as the new Member at Large. Judy Flores seconded that motion. Motion passed: 12 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstention.

- B. *Committee members will consider appointing a new member, Katie McCullough, as the representative of a non-profit CBO providing services to youth.*

Tracie said this position was filled by Michael Burke when he was with Pathways to Hope. Tracie said Katie McCullough works for Victor Community Support Services and oversees and support programs for youth. Katie is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT), and Chelsey Chappelle shared a little more about Katie, her leadership and commitment to the community.

Cindy Vogt made a motion to appoint Katie McCullough as the new representative of a non-profit CBO providing services to youth. Laura Burch seconded that motion. Motion passed: 12 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstention.

- C. *Committee members will review and approve the SB 823 Subcommittee membership roster.*

Tracie shared information on the SB 823 Subcommittee and the changes in committee membership. She shared Sarah Murphy from the District Attorney's Office took the place of Benjamin Hanna, Michael Khoronov from the Public Defender's Office took the place of Kathryn Barton, and Katie McCullough from Victor Community Support Services and Robert Bowman from Shasta College STEP-UP and Rising Scholars Program will be joining the committee. Tracie asked if there were any members needing to be added or any concerns regarding the current membership. Seeing none, Tracie asked for a motion to approve.

Stephanie Bridgett made a motion to approve the SB 823 Subcommittee membership roster. Laura Burch seconded that motion. Motion passed: 12 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstention.

- D. Committee members will receive a presentation on the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) and Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG) activities and consider approving the JJCPA and YOBG Expenditure and Data Report or provide further direction to staff.*

Tracie provided an overview on the report. The JJCPA dollars are spent on the youth in the community and the YOBG dollars are spent within the institution. Tracie shared some highlights on those who are on Juvenile Probation Supervision. She provided the population's top criminogenic needs for targeted intervention, antisocial behavior, criminal associates, and lack of employment or having issues in school.

Tracie shared how impactful mental health services in the JRF have been. She said there are two clinicians assigned to the JRF, and 104 residents received services for a total of 2,067 service hours. Tracie shared 25 students were on special education plans during this reporting period. Only one youth earned a diploma, which is lower than normal, but this is due to the age of the population during this reporting period. Tracie also shared information on prescribed psychotropic medication trending high, which is not included in this report. Tracie shared information about certificates earned such as food handler certificates and first aid.

Tracie also shared data on all the program outlined in the report.

Cindy Vogt expressed the need for continuity of care in education during the transition from the JRF into the community. There was some further discussion about transition plans and CFTs that are completed prior to and during the transition.

Valerie Hartley asked about transitional housing. Tracie explained the county has issued a request for proposal transitional housing for probation youth and one provider has expressed an interest.

Cindy Vogt made a motion to approve the JJCPA and YOBG Expenditure and Data Report. Jennifer Coulter seconded that motion. Motion passed: 12 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstention.

#### **Other Items for Discussion/Future Agenda Items**

Transitional housing was discussed. Cindy Vogt said she would like to see a group of people working on this in the community to dive deeper into this issue because it isn't just our probation youth who struggle with housing. There was no further comment.

## **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 3:00pm.

## **Individual Comments from Board Members**

Stephanie Bridgett said she noticed the Juvenile Probation address was listed wrong on the agenda and needed to be changed from 1810 Court Street to 1810 Market Street.

Jennifer Coulter announced October is Global Youth Justice Month. During October Peer Court representatives will be receiving proclamations at the different city councils. Peer Court will be held in Shasta Lake City Hall on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and at Redding City Hall on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Michael Johnson said the JJCC alternate for him would be Captain Logan Stonehouse.

Michael Johnson announced he will be reopening the closed floor of the jail by Thanksgiving, and he will do a press release tomorrow. Michael said he is pulling sworn and non-sworn staff to do that. He thanked those agencies who supported him in coming to the table and being willing to help in finding ideas for staffing in the jail. Michael Johnson also shared the struggle of assisting the mental health population and the shifting of the burden to the county jails and the cap put on the number of persons who can be sent to the state hospitals.

## **Adjourn**

Stephanie Bridgett made a motion to adjourn. Michael Johnson seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 4:28pm.