

Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC)- **SB 823 Subcommittee Meeting**
 January 20, 2022, 1:30 p.m.
 Juvenile Probation, 1810 Market Street, Redding, CA
 Meeting Minutes

MEMBERS	Agency	Present	Absent
Tracie Neal	Probation		X
Ben Hanna	District Attorney's Office	X	
Kathryn Barton	Public Defender's Office	X	
Cindy Lane	HHSA/Social Services		X
Laura Stapp	HHSA/Mental Health		X
Mary Lord	Shasta County Office of Education	X	
Lisa Jenkins	Shasta County Superior Court	X	
Michael Burke	Pathways to Hope		X
Cindy Vogt	California Heritage Youth Build Academy	X	
Valery Hartley	Shasta ILP	X	
GUESTS Present		*****	*****
Melissa Mallory	Probation		
Carla Stevens	Probation		
Patricia Weber	County Counsel		
Chelsey Chappelle	Probation		
Jenn Rossi	County Administrative Office		
Twyla Carpenter	Probation		
Stacey Richardson	Probation		
Jill Haskett	Probation		
James Goodwine	Probation		

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m. A quorum was present. Chelsey Chappelle led the meeting in the absence of Chief Probation Officer, Tracie Neal. Introductions were made.

Public Comment

None

Approval of meeting minutes

Ben Hanna moved to approve the August 12, 2021, meeting minutes; Mary Lord seconded; Motion passed; 6 ayes, 0 noes. Kathryn Barton joined the meeting after this vote was taken.

Financial Report

None

Discussion Items

Discuss current DJJ population and potential next steps.

Chelsey Chappelle stated currently there is one youth in the Secure Track Treatment Program (STTP) in the Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility (JRF). This youth is young and still in high school and attending with the other JRF residents. There is also one youth pending court and potentially could be sentenced to the STTP. We currently have 6 youth that are in DJJ.

Subcommittee Members will receive an update on the Secure Track Treatment Program (STTP) and discuss implementation and next steps.

Chelsey Chappelle indicated that the department has been working through the rehabilitation plan for the one youth in the STTP. Child and Family Team meetings (CFTs) have been conducted and the team of individuals for that youth have been meeting. Chelsey also indicated she wanted to hear from the committee about ideas or suggestions for the improvement of the rehabilitative plan.

Carla spoke about the youth currently in the STTP and she stated the youth needs are being met. Carla indicated the youth meets regularly with the mental health clinician in the JRF, is attending Cognitive Based treatment, and is receiving his education through SCOE. She further mentioned furloughs and outings into the community are part of the plan and Carla indicated James could discuss more about that aspect of the plan.

James Goodwine reviewed the rehabilitative plan process indicating it is a comprehensive process to include short and long term goals and SMART interventions that address the youth specific criminogenic needs. The plan also address stabilizing factors, mental health, and the youth's family dynamics. The second CFT to review and discuss this youth's rehabilitative plan just occurred. James indicated that the youth is doing very well in the program. COVID at times has been an issue regarding programming but those issues and concerns continue to be addressed. Staff are also continuing to focus on the providing cultural integration portion of the plan and they are working to obtain a tribal mentor for the youth. James went on to explain that once the youth is adjudicated that the family engagement piece begins and discussed the current youth and provided specific on how the youth's family provides input into the rehabilitative plan. James feels that the communication with the family, treatment providers, and other team members is going well.

Chelsey reengaged the group discussion regarding other treatment services they feel may be of benefit this the current or future STTP youth. Valerie Hartley asked about life skills services provided to the youth as she sees this as a gap in services being provided to youth and adults leaving the JRF or the jail. James provided information on the current youth's plan, which does include the Keys curriculum which addresses life skills and financial responsibility. Valerie indicated because this youth is Native American he would qualify for additional services and there was discussion about the Pit River tribe and their participation with this youth. ILP services were discussed but not all youth qualify for these services. Valerie also mentioned the mentor program they have in collaboration with SCOE for youth from 12-15.5 year old (pre-ILP age range). Mary Lord provided the group with the life skills provided by SCOE which are available to the youth in the JRF.

Cindy Vogt mentioned the mentoring programs that were previously discussed during the meeting and asked about other community mentors for youth in the JRF. Chelsey stated there is a contract with HOPE City for

mentors. Chelsey also mentioned that HOPE City has a mentor that regularly comes into the JRF and provides prosocial activities with the youth in the facility. He is an internationally recognized break dancer and the kids really enjoy the activities he brings into the facility. Carla further discussed other resources that come into the JRF; specifically Forward Leap, which is a religious based program and Rick Crowley who comes in once a month and provides drumming for the JRF youth. Discussion occurred that it is the hope to provide a mentor and/or connection with the youth while they are in the JRF, to include them as part of the youth's plan and treatment team, and to transition them out into the community with this additional prosocial support. This plan provides them additional individuals beyond probation staff to seek support from when they are in need. James mentioned the AmeriCorps workers that are also there to support the youth and families. Cindy stated that mentors are so important and she has really seen this with the students at CHYBA and the importance to have others to assist the youth. Valerie also mentioned their program has mentors through AmeriCorps as well.

Subcommittee Members will receive an update on Shasta County's Youth Program Facilities Grant Program (SB823) Application.

Chelsey stated that on January 4, 2022, the Board of Supervisors approved the grant. Next steps include the food port in the JRF safety cell, and upgrades to security system software and additional cameras within the JRF. Additional aspects of the grant include expansion of the west recreation yard; training to include Core Correctional Practices, de-escalation, and crisis prevention; vocational programming tools/equipment; and the use of Edovo tablets in collaboration with SCOE to allow for additional education, vocation, life skills, and treatment support.

Mary also provided the group and overview of the Edovo tablets and the various programs they are used for. She also discussed the expansion of services through the CANVAS platform for the youth in conjunction with Shasta College which has been a project which has been being worked on for the last few years. This will allow additional educational programs on the tablets. They are starting with a credit/noncredit class called Introduction to Entrepreneurship. Mary provided an overview of this class. This will be available for all juniors and seniors. FAFSA support is also provided through Shasta College.

Additional discussion occurred regarding woodshop and collaboration with CHYBA and keeping this on the radar. This conversation will need to continue as the expansion of the west recreation yard is explored.

Action Items

None

Other items for discussion/future agenda items

None

Next scheduled meeting

August 11, 2022, at 1:30 p.m.

Individual comments from Subcommittee Members

Mary Lord stated that two SCOE staff and two JRF staff are being trained in behavior modification through Life Space Crisis Intervention training. These staff will be trained together which is very helpful to keep everyone in the JRF on the same page and using the same de-escalation skills/techniques. There is a local trainer who is a SCOE principal which will allow for support in the future for those who are trained.

Cindy Vogt noted that she participated in the JJC inspection in the JRF and she stated that the REA youth are so engaged and they love their teacher (Anders) and she just wanted an update on REA and the teacher. Mary provided an update for the group. Chelsey mentioned that while the STTP is not REA, the probation department has learned a lot from REA and the teamwork and growth in that program that can be applied to the JRF and the STTP. There has been a lot of growth with the current youth in the STTP and Chelsey thanked everyone for the continued support and ideas that come from these meetings and other programs within the JRF.

Valerie Hartley discussed the California Youth Connections and she stated that this group is working to get a bill of rights for youth in custody. They have seven members who are going down to speak with local legislators. She stated it was really great to hear from youth who were in custody here and hearing the level of care they were given in the JRF and she stated staff do an amazing job and it was neat to hear from the youth about how much support and recognition they receive.

Adjourn

Cindy Vogt moved to adjourn the meeting; Kathryn Barton seconded; Meeting adjourned at 2:33 pm.