

COUNTYWIDE CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 15, 2009 MEETING

Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration

500 West Temple Street, Room 739

Los Angeles, California 90012

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chair: Don Knabe, County Supervisor for the Fourth District and
Chair of the County Board of Supervisors

Janice Fukai, County Alternate Public Defender

Gigi Gordon, Directing Attorney, Post Conviction Assistance Center

Anthony Hernandez, Director, County Department of Coroner

Gabriella Holt, County Probation Commission

James Hudson, President, Los Angeles County Police Chiefs Association

Robert Kalunian, County Counsel

Al Leiga, Chair, County Quality & Productivity Commission

Loretta Martin, Chief U.S. Probation Officer

John Noguez, President, California Contract Cities Association

Ezekiel Perlo, Directing Attorney, Indigent Criminal Defense Appointments Program

Richard Propster, Peace Officers Association of Los Angeles County

Robin Toma, Executive Director, County Human Relations Commission

Michael Tynan, Judge, Superior Court

ALTERNATES

*Curley Bonds for Marvin Southard, Director, County Department of Mental Health

Michael Brady for Adam Torres, United States Marshal

Ed Brekke for John Clarke, Superior Court Executive Officer

*Randall Budd for Steve Lieberman, Chief, County Office of Public Safety

George Cardona for Thomas O'Brien, U.S. Attorney

Marv Cavanaugh for Lee Baca, Sheriff and Vice Chair of CCJCC

Delmaria Cole-Bigelow for John Torres, Special Agent-in-Charge, U.S. Bureau of
Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives

David Davies for Robert Taylor, County Chief Probation Officer

Xiomara Flores-Holguin for Trish Ploehn, Director, County Department of Children and
Family Services

Pamela Hamanaka for Edmund Brown, California Attorney General

*Kyle Jackson for William Bratton, Chief, Los Angeles Police Department

Robert Kalunian for Michael Judge, County Public Defender

Peter Loo for Richard Sanchez, County Chief Information Officer

William Montgomery for Tom Tindall, Director, County Internal Services Department

Steven Olivas for Antonio Villaraigosa, Mayor, City of Los Angeles

Robert Philibosian for Isaac Barcelona, Chair, County Economy and Efficiency
Commission

Bruce Riordan for Rockard Delgadillo, Los Angeles City Attorney

Evangeline Ross for Dennis Tafoya, County Affirmative Action Compliance Officer
Devallis Rutledge for Steve Cooley, District Attorney
Buren Simmons for Ramon Cortines, Superintendent, Los Angeles Unified School District
Sue Stengle for Jack Weiss, Los Angeles City Councilman, District 5
*Michael Tynan for Peter Espinoza, Supervising Judge of Criminal, Superior Court
*Michael Tynan for Charles McCoy, Presiding Judge, Superior Court
John Viernes for Jonathan Fielding, Director, County Public Health Department
*Jacqueline White for William Fujioka, County Chief Executive Officer

***Not a designated alternate**

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT OR REPRESENTED

Mark Arnold, Judge, Superior Court
Cynthia Banks, Director, County Department of Community & Senior Services
Raymond Ciranna, Los Angeles City Chief Administrative Officer
Salvador Hernandez, Assistant Director in Charge, Los Angeles Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Sean Kennedy, Federal Public Defender
Richard Kirschner, Judge, Superior Court
Tim Landrum, Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration
Michael Nash, Supervising Judge, Juvenile Court
John Neu, President, South Bay Police Chiefs Association
Tom Reeves, County Prosecutors Association
Darline Robles, Superintendent, County Office of Education
Lakshmanan Sathyavagiswaran, County Coroner – Medical Examiner
Stephanie Sautner, Judge, Superior Court
Patricia Schnegg, Judge, Superior Court
Warren Stanley, Southern Division Commander, California Highway Patrol
Robert Todd, President, Southeast Police Chiefs Association
Frank Venti, President, Independent Cities Association
Larry Waldie, Undersheriff
Dan Watson, President, San Gabriel Valley Police Chiefs Association

CCJCC STAFF

Mark Delgado, Executive Director
Kenna Ackley
Cynthia Machen
Craig Marin

GUESTS/OTHERS

Tim Anderson, LAUSD Police Department
Richard Barrantes, Sheriff's Department
Dardy Chen, County Chief Executive Office
Sue Frauens, Los Angeles City Attorney's Office
Carl Gallucci, Fourth District, County Board of Supervisors
Ramona Gonzales, LAPD

Vince Iaria, Probation Department
Marlon Marrache, LAPD
Mary Clare Molisor, Los Angeles City Attorney's Office
Christy Parker, United States Marshals Service
Ryan Riess, Los Angeles City Attorney's Office
Joanne Rotstein, Public Defender's Office
Peter Shutan, Los Angeles City Attorney's Office and County Probation Commission
Maureen Siegel, Los Angeles City Attorney's Office
Antonia Villasenor, CDCR

I. CONVENE/INTRODUCTIONS

Don Knabe, County Supervisor, Fourth District

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe, Chair of CCJCC.

Self-introductions followed.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Don Knabe, County Supervisor, Fourth District

There were no requests for revisions to the minutes of the March 18, 2009 meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes.

ACTION: The motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2009 meeting was seconded and approved without objection.

III. COMMUNITY REENTRY AND REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Commander Kyle B. Jackson, Los Angeles Police Department

Commander Kyle Jackson of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) appeared before CCJCC to make a presentation on the Honor and Strength Community Reentry and Rehabilitation (HAS) Program.

HAS is a multi-agency, multi-disciplinary collaboration program that is designed to develop a comprehensive wrap around reentry model tailored for parolees. The goal is to reduce recidivism using evidence based approaches.

Commander Jackson noted that 70% of parolees in the state return to prison within three years. Furthermore, 10% of all state prisoners have been in and out of prison six or more times during a seven year period.

Under the HAS program, beginning in custody, high risk offenders are screened with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's (CDCR's) validated assessment tool. The intention is to reduce recidivism by addressing participants' criminogenic needs by combining public services, employment training and placement,

and community involvement and collaboration. This is all supported by cognitive-behavioral therapy.

Commander Jackson introduced Sergeant Marlon Marrache of the LAPD to provide additional information.

Sergeant Marrache stated that the program includes a facilitator, monitor, support/mentor, and a sponsor. These four individuals provide the foundation for the comprehensive approach to the program.

Sources of initial contact that bring the individual into the program include the Parole And Community Team (PACT), CDCR Department of Juvenile Justice, Court/Diversion, and other sources.

The continuum of care of the HAS program includes the following three phases: (1) In-Reach Phase; (2) Community Reentry Phase; and (3) Participant Recovery Phase. The first phase takes place in the prison facility about six to eight months prior to release. The second phase takes place when the individual is placed on parole. The third phase can last until the end of parole or beyond.

Judge Tynan inquired as to the number of participants that are expected to participate in HAS. Sergeant Marrache stated that their plan is to start with 25 to 30 individuals, but they are applying for a grant that would allow between 70 and 90 participants.

Judge Tynan requested that the Superior Court and the Probation Department be included among the participating agencies in this program. Commander Jackson agreed that they will be included.

Commander Jackson noted that they have just received \$340,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice Weed and Seed Program for the initial demonstration project in the southeast area. This will likely begin in the next month and a half.

Antonia Villasenor from CDCR stated that CDCR is incorporating PACT into the HAS program in an effort to align their services.

ACTION: For information only.

IV. WOMEN'S REENTRY COURT PROGRAM

Joanne Rotstein, Head Deputy, Public Defender's Office

Joanne Rotstein of the Public Defender's Office appeared before CCJCC to provide an update on the Women's Second Chance Reentry Court (Reentry Court) program.

This program began in May 2007 with a grant from CDCR. It is overseen by a CCJCC Steering Committee.

This is a coordinated multi-agency effort that includes the Superior Court, District Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, Alternate Public Defender's Office, Alcohol and Drug Program Administration (ADPA), Probation Department, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), and a treatment provider (Prototypes).

The Women's Reentry Court is based on the traditional drug court model and targets female parolees and felony probationers who are facing a charge on a new non-violent offense and an imminent return to state prison.

Eligible participants are offered the opportunity to engage in a gender-specific treatment program consisting of at least six months of residential treatment followed by up to twelve months of outpatient treatment.

Prototypes, the community-based treatment provider for this program, develops individualized treatment plans that focus on addressing trauma history, mental health needs, substance abuse issues, family and parenting support, education, employment and job skills development, job training, and employment placement services.

Ms. Rotstein stated that the funding from CDCR covers residential treatment services for parolees in the program. The outpatient services and the funding for probationers in the program have been provided by Prototypes as an in-kind donation, in addition to other funding sources.

Benefits to the county from this program include moving women out of the jail very quickly and into treatment, promoting child reunification, decreasing the need for foster care, addressing the causes of criminal behavior, and reducing recidivism.

Ms. Rotstein cited the following accomplishments since May 2007:

- 120 women have been formally enrolled in the program;
- 18 women have successfully completed the program;
- 21 children have entered the program with their mothers and participated in specialized treatment;
- 12 drug-free babies have been born to women in the program;
- 19 children have been successfully reunited with their mothers;
- Less than 10% of the participants have been terminated from the program and sent to state prison; and
- A number of women have been connected to other programs mostly due to the severity of their mental illness or behavioral issues.

The grant from CDCR will expire on June 30, 2009. However, CDCR has recently offered to fund the program as currently implemented for an additional two years through a public entity agreement with CCJCC.

Ms. Rotstein requested that CCJCC endorse the county's participation in this new public entity agreement with CDCR and continue to convene the Women's Reentry Court Steering Committee to oversee the program.

A motion was made to continue CCJCC's oversight of this program through the Women's Reentry Steering Committee.

ACTION: The motion to continue CCJCC's oversight of the program through the Women's Reentry Court Steering Committee was seconded and approved without objection.

A motion was made to accept the funding award from CDCR to continue the program as currently designed and implemented.

ACTION: The motion accept the funding award from CDCR to continue the program as currently designed and implemented was seconded and approved without objection.

V. DRUG COURT OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE
Judge Michael Tynan, Los Angeles Superior Court

Judge Michael Tynan appeared before CCJCC on behalf of the Drug Court Oversight Subcommittee to present three motions for consideration and approval.

CCJCC staff have recently identified several potential funding opportunities for the following two specialized drug courts: Women's Reentry Court and the Co-Occurring Disorders Court (CODC).

Judge Tynan requested that CCJCC authorize Mark Delgado, Executive Director of CCJCC, to proceed through the county process for applying for the following funding opportunities:

1. The Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant program includes a funding category for problem-solving courts. Funding under this grant could be pursued to enhance the Women's Reentry Court program, which Joanne Rotstein described in the previous presentation. The enhancements would include an in-custody treatment component, support for outpatient treatment services, and assistance in transitioning women to sober-living facilities.
2. Funding from the Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant program could allow the CODC to expand its capacity to serve additional individuals suffering from both severe mental illnesses and chronic substance abuse.

In addition, Judge Tynan requested that Mark Delgado and his staff be authorized to pursue funding and grant opportunities with the Chair's approval. He noted that RFP's and grant announcements often do not allow sufficient time to come before the full

committee for approval. Therefore, it would be beneficial for CCJCC staff to have the authority to apply for funding as it is identified and upon receiving approval from the Chair of CCJCC.

A motion was made to authorize CCJCC staff to apply for Byrne and SAMHSA grants to support the Women's Reentry Court and the Co-Occurring Disorders Court.

ACTION: The motion authorizing CCJCC staff to apply for Byrne grants to support the Women's Reentry Court and Co-Occurring Disorders Court was seconded and approved without objection.

A motion was made to delegate authority to the Chair of CCJCC to authorize CCJCC staff to apply for grants.

ACTION: The motion to delegate authority to the Chair of CCJCC to authorize CCJCC staff to apply for grants was seconded and approved without objection.

Judge Tynan remarked that every year the Drug Court Oversight Subcommittee asks CCJCC to recommend that the County Board of Supervisors declare May "Drug Court Month" in recognition of all the practitioners that make the county drug courts work and the significant contributions that the drug courts have made.

A motion was made to recommend that the County Board of Supervisors proclaim May 2009 "Drug Court Month."

ACTION: The motion to recommend that the County Board of Supervisors proclaim May 2009 "Drug Court Month" was seconded and approved without objection.

VI. EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL FUNDING
Jackie White, Chief Executive Office

Jackie White of the County Chief Executive Office appeared before CCJCC to provide an overview of Edward Byrne Memorial (Byrne) Funding and recent changes to administrative procedures.

Byrne grants are funded by the U.S. Bureau of Justice Assistance and are issued to state and local governments to create safer communities by improving the functioning of the criminal justice system.

There are two types of Byrne grants: (1) Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant program (referenced above in the previous presentation) and (2) Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Formula program.

The Byrne JAG formula program funding is allocated among local jurisdictions based upon Part I violent crime information. This year, the local allocation within Los Angeles County totals \$30.5 million.

The City of Los Angeles is the local administrator for this program. In the past, the county and city had an agreement that determined the compensation to the city for the time and expense of providing the administrative support. This year, there is a change in procedures in that all of the cities in the county must enter into an MOU on the use of this money. The result is that the City of Los Angeles will be providing the administrative support for all of these jurisdictions as well as itself and the county.

Rather than reaching an agreement between the County and the City of Los Angeles, an agreement must now be reached between these two entities as well as among all of the other cities within the county.

The application filing date for this year is May 14th. The City of Los Angeles is working with various local jurisdictions in an effort to meet this deadline.

ACTION: For information only.

VII. OTHER MATTERS/PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no additional matters or public comments.

VIII. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Supervisor Knabe adjourned the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

The next CCJCC meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 20, 2009, at 11:30 a.m. in Room 739 of the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration.**