



Agenda

RACIAL JUSTICE OVERSIGHT BODY

September 16, 2021
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Diversion Subcommittee Meeting

1. **Welcome, Introductions & Announcements**
2. **Public Comment** on any item under the jurisdiction of the RJOB Diversion Subcommittee and not on this agenda.
3. **Approval of the Record of Actions** from the August 19, 2021 Diversion Subcommittee Meeting (**Attachment 1; See Pg. 3-5**) [VOTE]
4. **Receive Presentations on County Diversion Programs for Adults**
 - District Attorney's Office (Diana Becton) (**Attachment 2; See Pg. 6-7**)
5. **Review Working Draft of Diversion Guidelines** (**Attachment 3; See Pg. 8**) [VOTE]
6. **Discuss RJOB Future Work Planning and Coordination**
7. **Next Steps**
8. **Adjourn to Next Diversion Subcommittee Meeting:** October 21, 2021, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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Glossary of Acronyms, Abbreviations, and other Terms (in alphabetical order):

Contra Costa County has a policy of making limited use of acronyms, abbreviations, and industry-specific language in its Board of Supervisors meetings and written materials. Following is a list of commonly used language that may appear in oral presentations and written materials associated with Board meetings:

AB	Assembly Bill	HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
ABAG	Association of Bay Area Governments	HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Syndrome
ACA	Assembly Constitutional Amendment	HOV	High Occupancy Vehicle
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990	HR	Human Resources
AFSCME	American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees	HUD	United States Department of Housing and Urban Development
AICP	American Institute of Certified Planners	Inc.	Incorporated
AIDS	Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome	IOC	Internal Operations Committee
ALUC	Airport Land Use Commission	ISO	Industrial Safety Ordinance
AOD	Alcohol and Other Drugs	JPA	Joint (exercise of) Powers Authority or Agreement
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act	Lamorinda	Lafayette-Moraga-Orinda Area
BAAQMD	Bay Area Air Quality Management District	LAFCo	Local Agency Formation Commission
BART	Bay Area Rapid Transit District	LLC	Limited Liability Company
BCDC	Bay Conservation & Development Commission	LLP	Limited Liability Partnership
BGO	Better Government Ordinance	Local 1	Public Employees Union Local 1
BOS	Board of Supervisors	LVN	Licensed Vocational Nurse
CALTRANS	California Department of Transportation	MAC	Municipal Advisory Council
CalWIN	California Works Information Network	MBE	Minority Business Enterprise
CalWORKS	California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids	M.D.	Medical Doctor
CAER	Community Awareness Emergency Response	M.F.T.	Marriage and Family Therapist
CAO	County Administrative Officer or Office	MIS	Management Information System
CCHP	Contra Costa Health Plan	MOE	Maintenance of Effort
CCTA	Contra Costa Transportation Authority	MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
CCP	Community Corrections Partnership	MTC	Metropolitan Transportation Commission
CDBG	Community Development Block Grant	NACo	National Association of Counties
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act	OB-GYN	Obstetrics and Gynecology
CIO	Chief Information Officer	O.D.	Doctor of Optometry
COLA	Cost of living adjustment	OES-EOC	Office of Emergency Services-Emergency Operations Center
ConFire	Contra Costa Consolidated Fire District	ORJ	Office of Reentry & Justice
CPA	Certified Public Accountant	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CPI	Consumer Price Index	Psy.D.	Doctor of Psychology
CSA	County Service Area	RDA	Redevelopment Agency
CSAC	California State Association of Counties	RJOB	Racial Justice Oversight Body
CTC	California Transportation Commission	RJTF	Racial Justice Task Force
dba	doing business as	RFI	Request For Information
EBMUD	East Bay Municipal Utility District	RFP	Request For Proposal
EIR	Environmental Impact Report	RFQ	Request For Qualifications
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement	RN	Registered Nurse
EMCC	Emergency Medical Care Committee	SB	Senate Bill
EMS	Emergency Medical Services	SBE	Small Business Enterprise
EPSDT	State Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and treatment Program (Mental Health)	SWAT	Southwest Area Transportation Committee
et al.	et ali (and others)	TRANSPAC	Transportation Partnership & Cooperation (Central)
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration	TRANSPLAN	Transportation Planning Committee (East County)
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency	TRE or TTE	Trustee
F&HS	Family and Human Services Committee	TWIC	Transportation, Water and Infrastructure Committee
First 5	First Five Children and Families Commission (Proposition 10)	UCC	Urban Counties Caucus
FTE	Full Time Equivalent	VA	Department of Veterans Affairs
FY	Fiscal Year	vs.	versus (against)
GHAD	Geologic Hazard Abatement District	WAN	Wide Area Network
GIS	Geographic Information System	WBE	Women Business Enterprise
HCD	(State Dept of) Housing & Community Development	WCCTAC	West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee
HHS	Department of Health and Human Services		



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RECORD OF ACTIONS

August 19, 2021

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Subcommittee Members Present:

Robin Lipetzky, Public Defender

Tamisha Walker, Racial Justice Coalition, Safe Return Project, CBO Representative, Seat 1

Stephanie Medley, Director of Education & Justice at the RYSE Center, CBO Representative, Seat 5

Kira Faulkner, Probation Manager, on behalf of Esa Ehmen-Krause, Chief Probation Officer

Diana Becton, District Attorney

Cheryl Sudduth, CBO Representative, Seat 7

Michael Pierson, CBO Representative, Seat 3

Subcommittee Members Absent:

Bisa French, Police Chief, City of Richmond, Local Law Enforcement Representative (Committee Chair)

Staff Present:

Patrice Guillory, Director, Office of Reentry & Justice

Nicole Popczuk, Administrative Services Assistant II, Office of Reentry & Justice

Monique Tate, Program Coordinator, Office of Reentry & Justice

Melvin Russell, Assistant Chief of Probation

Ed Randle, Director of Field Services, Probation

Jill Ray, Field Representative, Supervisor Candace Andersen's Office

Lanett Williams, Stand Together Contra Costa

Ellen McDonnell, Chief Assistant Public Defender

Alicia Nuchols, District Representative, Supervisor Diane Burgis' Office

Brandon Banks, Public Defender's Office

Christy Pierce, Public Defender's Office

Others Present:

Crawford Carpenter, CAB Member

Colleen Dowd

Committee Consultant Staff Present:

Christopher James, W. Haywood Burns Institute

1. **Welcome, Introductions & Announcements**

- Convened: 1:00PM
- Announcements: See below:
 - i. Robin Lipetzky: Announced that Ellen McDonnell will be taking her place on the Public Defender ex-officio seat;

2. **Public Comment** on any item under the jurisdiction of the RJOB Diversion Subcommittee and not on this agenda.

- No Public Comment was received.

3. **Approval of the Record of Actions** from the June 17, 2021 Diversion Subcommittee Meeting (**Attachment 1**; See Pg. 3-4) [VOTE]

- No Public Comment was received.
- Discussion: See video here for more details: <https://youtu.be/6T0Nry5zd8w>
- Motion: Robin Lipetzky
- Second: Cheryl Sudduth
- Motion carries

4. **Receive Presentations on County Diversion Programs for Adults**

- Public Defender's Office Veteran's Diversion (Brandon Banks)
 - i. Public Comment was received.
 - ii. Discussion: Brandon Banks presented the Public Defender's Office Veteran's Diversion Program; See video here for more details: <https://youtu.be/6T0Nry5zd8w>
- Public Defender's Office Mental Health Diversion (Christy Pierce)
 - i. Public Comment was received.
 - ii. Discussion: Christy Pierce presented the Public Defender's Office Mental Health Diversion Program; See video here for more details: <https://youtu.be/6T0Nry5zd8w>

5. **Next Steps**

- No Public Comment was received.
- Discussion: See video here for more details: <https://youtu.be/6T0Nry5zd8w>
 - i. Schedule DA Diversion Program Presentation
 - ii. Materials needed by 9/9/21 for our next scheduled meeting;

6. **Adjourn to Next Diversion Subcommittee Meeting:** September 16, 2021, 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- Adjourned: 2:09PM

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DIANA BECTON, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Shrinking the Criminal Legal System

Diversion & Alternatives to Incarceration

Reduce Recidivism

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Strategy

Juvenile Restorative Justice Diversion

Re-Imagining Youth Justice Workgroup

Neighborhood Courts

Corrective Solutions

Use of Prosecutorial Discretion in Charging

Mental Health Diversion

Veteran's Court

RJOB Diversion Subcommittee Recommendations

1. Diversion programs should be led by and housed within community-based organizations and other community facilities as much as possible
 - a. This will require engaging local CBOs which may not currently be involved with diversion to gauge interest and capacity for providing diversionary programs and services
 - b. **The County should be intentional about including POC-led organizations as well as programs run by persons previously incarcerated.**
 - c. The County should support this endeavor by providing resources and training for CBOs willing to participate
2. Diversion programs should be equitably located/distributed throughout the County, thus providing opportunities for program access regardless of a participant's geographic location
 - a. Geographic location data should be used to inform the location of programs as well as which potential community partners to engage with (as discussed in 1a)
3. All diversion programs should collect and report race/ethnicity data on all program participants
 - a. This should include race, ethnicity, gender, geography, offense, and program outcome (e.g., successfully completed or did not complete)
 - b. **Qualitative data should be collected to determine why attendees who do not complete the program are unsuccessful, and this data should be used to update various aspects of each program as needed.**
 - c. These recommendations will require County support in order to build data collection/management capacity.
4. **Eligibility criteria for diversion programs should be reviewed/analyzed for racial impact unless criteria are mandated by statute.**
 - a. **The review and analysis should then be used to update eligibility criteria to ensure racially equitable outcomes.**