

## **Meeting Minutes – May 9, 2019**

### **Community Advisory Board on Realignment (CAB)**

CAB Members Present: Chala Bonner, Lisa Gregory, Harry Thurston, DeVonn Powers, Rolanda Wilson, Frank Hancock, Michael Pitts (7 members, quorum established)

CAB Members Absent: Gretchen Logue

Public: Harold Cephas, Sonya Gasaway, Donté Blue, Eddie Ibarra, Paul Taylor, Morgan Malmgren, Sarah Kennard, Todd Billeci, Ellen McDonell, Mary Sylla, Monica Carlisle, Alicia Nuchols, Jill Ray, Anthony Hailey, Chrystine Robbins, Charles Brown, Henrissa Bassey

- 1) Called to order at 10:00 AM.
- 2) Roll call, only six members present. At 10:05 AM, Chala Bonner and Rolanda Wilson arrived, quorum met, meeting started.
- 3) Introductions
- 4) Announcements:
  - a) Mary Sylla from Rubicon Programs introduced herself as the new Attorney on the team.
- 5) Public Comments: none
- 6) April 11 CAB Meeting Minutes:
  - a) Jill Ray's name was spelled incorrectly under item 5) a) i).
  - b) Item 7) a): DeVonn Powers will only participate in the RFP #1903-336 review panel meetings and interviews to be held on 5/15/19 and 5/16/19.
  - c) Item 8) d): Tour will include, but not limited to: men and women's housing units, classroom facilities, kitchen and laundry room.
  - d) Monica will correct the April meeting minutes and upload it to the county website.
  - e) Motion to approve as amended: DeVon Powers, Rolanda Wilson seconds, no abstentions, approved unanimous.
- 7) Presentation by Fast Eddie's Auto Service on their Automotive Training Program for the Reentry population:
  - a) A Network Employment Provider
  - b) Provide pre- and post-release automotive certifications for men and women
  - c) 25 students training capacity, 12 Modules and 75% success rate.
  - d) Recently acquired a new building for training with grand opening TBD
  - e) Provide comprehensive case management

- f) Training is free to the participants and available on an ongoing basis
- 8) Recommend CCP Approval of CAB New Membership Slate
  - a) Motion to approve as submitted, no abstentions, approved unanimous.
- 9) CAB Member Meeting Updates:
  - a) Chrystine Robbins shared that the CAB's request to tour detention facilities has been approved.
  - b) Harry Thurston requested that subcommittee work plans are due to the ORJ on June 5.
  - c) Harry Thurston requested that future subcommittee reports be submitted to the ORJ on the Wednesday prior to the week of the CAB's monthly meetings.
  - d) Pre-Release Planning Steering Committee Meeting – Donté Blue reported.
    - i) Update on Smart Reentry Program
      - (1) Target transition age youth that are evaluated at moderate to high risk and will return to East County after a period of incarceration.
      - (2) Referrals have increased. Once we have more participants, we will be able to provide group activities such as case conferencing and T4C.
      - (3) In July and Sept., George Mason University staff will provide trainings on their Ace Tools that assist with individual assessment and program assessment.
    - ii) Update on Pre-Release Planning Pilot Program
      - (1) Office of Ed provided an update on program intakes
      - (2) Office of Ed shared the branding issue of reentry transition services that they are trying to resolve
      - (3) Office of Ed is ready to do significant redesign of their in-custody programs
      - (4) Need to revamping schools and in-jail classes to be more employment readiness focused.
  - e) JAG Local Steering Committee Meeting – Ellen McDonnell reported.
 

The County successfully submitted its proposal to the BSCC regarding the JAG Grant to fund a Holistic Intervention Partnership (HIP) which will provide cutting-edge holistic legal defense that combines early intervention with client-centered case management and navigation to meet a range of legal and non-legal needs, reducing system burden and improving criminal justice outcomes.
  - f) RSC Steering Committee Meeting – DeVonn Powers reported.
    - i) Please see attached Reentry Success Center Steering Committee CAB Representative Update May 9, 2019
  - g) Policy and Budget-Lisa Gregory reported.
    - i) Please see 5/9/19 agenda packet for committee report.
  - h) Outreach and Community Engagement – Michael Pitts reported.
    - i) Please see 5/9/19 agenda packet for committee report.

10) Harry adjourns meeting at 12:00 pm.

**Attachment**

**Reentry Success Center Steering Committee  
CAB Representative Update  
May 9, 2019**

**Minutes from 3/13/19 – Approved**

**Highlights/Dates to know:**

- The Warming Center has officially opened and is serving the community, Grip and the Success Center have plans to meet to discuss establishing a more intentional partnership. Served 28 people the first evening capacity is 30.
- Community Conversation event, May 13, 2019, located at the Nick Rodriguez Center, Arts & Crafts room, Antioch CA. Time: 6-8pm, dinner will be served.
- May 9, 2019 Donte will be attending jail clearance meeting with the center staff, allowing Reentry Success Center staff to have increased access.
- The Steering Committee is continuing to work on strategies to fill vacant seats (2 CBO, 1 Community)
- RFI (Contra Costa County) proposal has been submitted.

**Asks:**

- There are no asks at this time.

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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 meetings and written materials. Following is a list of acronyms that may be used in the Community Advisory Board on Realignment meetings:*

*AB Assembly Bill*

*BOS Board of Supervisors*

*CAB Community Advisory Board*

*CBO Community Based Organization*

*BART Bay Area Rapid Transit*

*CCIH Contra Costa Interfaith Housing*

*CCITH Contra Costa Interfaith Transitional Housing*

*CCP Community Corrections Partnership*

*CORE Coordinated Outreach Referral, Engagement*

*FISH Families in Supportive Housing*

*GRIP Great Richmond Interfaith Program*

*H3 Health Housing and Homeless*

*HDAP Housing & Disability Advocacy Program*

*ORJ Office of Reentry and Justice*

*PPC Public Protection Committee*

*QAC Quality Assurance Committee*

*RCD Resources for Community Development, a local affordable housing developer*

*RFP Request for Proposals*

*SSSHP Scattered Site Supportive Housing Program*

