



MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, August 10, 2023

3:00 – 5:00 P.M.

Sheriff's Community Room

5200 Soquel Ave, Santa Cruz 95062

- I. Call to Order/Introductions
- II. Approval of Agenda/Meeting Minutes
- III. Oral Communications
- IV. Executive Committee – Discussion/Consent
 - Discussion/update on ad hoc committee work for annual report
- V. Acceptance of Written Standing Reports
(Clarifying questions only)

Individual reports include updates from:

 1. Community Corrections Partnership
 2. Santa Cruz County Anti-Crime Team
 3. North County BASTA
 4. Youth Action Network
- VI. Grant Opportunities and Updates
- VII. Legislative Updates
- VIII. Adjournment/Next Meeting

Calendar of 2023 Council Meetings

The full council meets quarterly on the second Thursday of the month from 3:00 to 5:00 pm as follows:

- February 9, 2023
- May 11, 2023
- August 10, 2023
- November 9, 2023

Calendar of 2023 Executive Committee Meetings

The Executive Committee meets quarterly on the third Thursday of the month prior to the full Council meeting from Noon to 1:00 as follows:

- January 19, 2023
- April 20, 2023
- July 20, 2023
- October 19, 2023

Notice regarding Criminal Justice Council: The Criminal Justice Council of Santa Cruz County meets quarterly on the second Thursday of the month from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on a schedule determined by the Council. The meetings are held at the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office, Santa Cruz CA 95062, location subject to change.

Agenda and Agenda Packet Materials: The Criminal Justice Council Agenda and the complete agenda packet are available online at <https://santacruzjc.org/> the Monday prior to the Thursday meeting. Need more information? Contact the CJC Administrative Assistant at cjcsantacruzcounty@gmail.com.

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MEETING MINUTES

May 11, 2023

Thursday, 3:00 P.M.

Sheriff's Community Room

5200 Soquel Ave, Santa Cruz 95062

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Chair, Donna Lind called the meeting to order at 3:06 pm.

Members in Attendance: Nicole Coburn, **CAO**; Donna Lind, **Scotts Valley City Council**; Jeff Rosell, **District Attorney**; Stephen Walpole, **Scotts Valley PD**; David Rodriguez, **Watsonville PD**; Sasha Morgan, **Superior Court**; Heather Rogers, **Public Defender**; Andrew Dally, **Capitola PD**; Monica Martinez, **Encompass**; Sarah Emmert, **United Way**; Jennifer Anderson-Ochoa, **Applied Survey Research**; Mary Lou Alejandrez, **Barrios Unidos**; Karen Kern, **HSA Behavioral Health**; Jasmine Najera, **PVPSA**; Marilu Martinez, **District Attorney's Office**

II. Approval of Agenda/Meeting Minutes

Action: Chief Stephen Walpole motioned to approve February 2023 minutes and May 2023 agenda, seconded by Heather Rogers; approved unanimously

III. Oral Communications - None

IV. Executive Committee – Discussion/Consent

- Discussion/update on ad hoc committee work for annual report – Chair Lind mentioned that the goal is to see areas that may need attention or improvement and to get more resources where they are lacking. DA's Office, PVPSA, and the Public Defender's Holistic Defense Unit offered to volunteer their time and effort to assist ASR in any way. HSA Behavioral Health stated they are working with Watsonville Community Hospital to make more beds available for adult mental health.
- Adoption of CJC budget and agreement with Applied Survey Research for behavioral health report and analysis
Motion made by Monica Martinez; seconded by Heather Rogers; approved unanimously

V. Acceptance of Written Standing Reports (*Clarifying questions only and Actions if requested*)

Individual reports include updates from:

1. Community Corrections Partnership – No oral report
2. Santa Cruz County Anti-Crime Team – No oral report

3. North County BASTA – No oral report
4. Youth Action Network – Sarah Emmert provided an oral report

No action needed on reports.

I. Grant Opportunities and Updates

PVPSA will be applying for a \$2.5 million grant to continue the multi-disciplinary task force with WPD which is youth focused. Funding will be used for financial assistance for the community.

Heather Rogers mentioned the Public Defender’s Office also applied for the NIJ grant for their holistic defense unit.

PVPSA received \$450K for maintaining staff and pay for scholarships/loan forgiveness

II. Legislative Updates

No updates were provided.

III. Adjournment/Next Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m. – The next regular meeting will be on August 10, 2023, in person at the Sheriff’s Office Community Room.



Written Report from Standing Committees and Taskforces
Report Date: 2/9/2023

Committee/Taskforce Name: Community Corrections Partnership Meeting (CCP)

Activities since last CJC Meeting aligned with CJC Purpose (provide a more effective and efficient criminal justice system for the citizens of the Cities and County of Santa Cruz; promote cooperation and coordination within the criminal justice system; provide long-range planning for the criminal justice system in Santa Cruz County; create a forum for discussion of and recommendations for programs and plans for solutions to criminal justice issues; provide timely information on criminal justice matters, act as an advisory body to governmental entities in Santa Cruz County, and monitor and evaluate projects; promote more efficient use of local resources to enhance capacity of criminal justice agencies and assist in obtaining new or additional revenues from outside the community; and promote the health and safety of the community):

See attached meeting minutes from 12/12/22 CCP meeting.
Next CCP meeting 2/9/23, 1-2 PM (TEAMS)

Funding updates, if any:

Request of CJC, if appropriate:

Anything else you would like to share with the CJC



County of Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz County Community Corrections Partnership

MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

May 24, 2023
10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Community Room
5200 Soquel Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA 95062

The three goals of the Santa Cruz County Community Corrections Partnership are:

- I. Establish an array of **effective alternatives to incarceration** to address the impacts that the realigned population will have on the county jail in order to avert crowding and poor conditions of confinement without jeopardizing public safety outcomes;
- II. Implement **Evidence-Based Probation Supervision** that properly assesses risk factors associated with recidivism and provides effective probation interviewing, case planning, and community supervision to ensure public safety and reduce recidivism; and
- III. Develop community partnerships for **effective intervention services** that adhere to the principles of evidence-based practices for maximum recidivism reduction.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m.

District Attorney's Office
Health Services Agency
Sheriff's Office
Probation Department
Public Defender
Superior Court of Santa Cruz
Capitola Police Department
County Office of Education
Health Services Agency

District Attorney's Office

Human Services Department

Board of Supervisors
Human Services Department

Santa Cruz Volunteer Center
*Denotes voting member

Tara George, Chief Deputy District Attorney *
Monica Morales, Director of Health Services Agency *
Jim Hart, Sheriff-Coroner *
Fernando Giraldo, Chief Probation Officer *
Heather Rogers, Public Defender *
Sasha Morgan, Court Executive Officer *
Andrew Dally, Chief of Police * (absent)
Faris Sabbah, Superintendent of Schools
Lisa Todd, Chief of Substance Use Disorders Programs (absent)
Laura Espindola, Manager of Victim Witness Assistance Program (absent)
Randy Morris, Director of Human Services Department
Supervisor to be appointed (absent)
Andrew Stone, Director of Workforce Investment Board (absent)
Karen Delaney, Executive Director (absent)

Proxy: Tara George is proxy for District Attorney Jeff Rosell

II. REVIEW OF AGENDA: (verbal)

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motioned made by Heather Rogers and seconded by Tara George.

Motion Passed

Aye: Rogers, Morgan, Giraldo, Morales, Hart, George

No: None

Absent: Dally

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- IV. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: Members of the public are allowed 3 minutes to address any item pertaining to the CCP, but not on the Agenda.

Sheriff-Coroner Jim Hart announced that the Women's Recovery and Reentry Program (WRRP) will be a model site for the nation. The WRRP is a gender specific program intended to improve the safety, functioning and quality of life of female offenders through reduced substance use and recidivism.

V. ORAL REPORTS AND ACTION ITEMS

1 Probation Initiatives and Updates: Fernando Giraldo

Chief Giraldo shared that the Reducing Revocations Challenge is in Phase II of the three-year project in partnership with RDA Consulting. Phase II is the pilot program in which clients are incentivized to come to the office, without fear that if they have a positive UA, they might be arrested. If the clients show up clean, they will receive a gift card. The pilot began in September and the response from clients has been positive.

Probation was awarded the Mobile Probation Services Grant to purchase two Sprinter vans to increase accessibility throughout the county and provide mobile services to those who cannot readily access probation offices and/or services.

2. Report on CAFES Cohort II and Cohort III Programs (Proposition 47): Sarah Fletcher

Division Director Sarah Fletcher shared that CAFES Cohort II wrapped up the direct client services component in December 2022, and the data has been submitted data to BSCC. Probation will share the results when they are made public.

Cohort III has helped support the Public Defender's new advocate team and continued expansion of neighborhood court, as well as the services started through Cohort II.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) for CAFES Cohort III will close on June 2, 2023. Solicitation page can be found on the General Services Department webpage.

[Solicitations \(santa-cruz.ca.us\)](https://www.santa-cruz.ca.us/solicitations)

3. Sequential Intercept Model (Full Group Activity): Kevin O'Connell

Please see the attachments for information. Kevin O'Connell presented and gave an overview of the Sequential Intercept Model. The group participated in an exercise going through the Intercepts, adding services and priorities that can/should be added to each Intercept.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

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Written Reports from Standing Committees and Taskforces

Report Date: 8/2/23

Committee/Taskforce Name: North County BASTA

Activities since the last CJC Meeting aligned with CJC Purpose (provide a more effective and efficient criminal justice system for the citizens of the Cities and County of Santa Cruz; promote cooperation and coordination within the criminal justice system; provide long-range planning for the criminal justice system in Santa Cruz County; create a forum for discussion of and recommendations for programs and plans for solutions to criminal justice issues; provide timely information on criminal justice matters, act as an advisory body to governmental entities in Santa Cruz County, and monitor and evaluate projects; promote more efficient use of local resources to enhance the capacity of criminal justice agencies and assist in obtaining new or additional revenues from outside the community, and promote the health and safety of the community):

BASTA Operations Team:

- Decided as a collaborative to not meet during June and July. Monthly meetings will resume once school year starts in August.

BASTA Intervention Group (BIG)

- Providing case management services, and mentorship to youth, their friends, siblings and family members as appropriate
- Family engagement and support.
- Prevention and early intervention services for youth including but not limited to:
 - Youth experiencing substance abuse needs and mental health issues
 - Youth with credit deficiency that could benefit from academic support
 - Youth with high levels of truancy during the school year that coils benefit from case management over the summer months
 - Youth at risk of gang involvement and/ or participation
 - Diversion/ intervention and formal probation as appropriate to complete probation/ diversion terms successfully.

- Met with students and families over the summer break to reduce learning loss, increase credit recovery via summer school and increase pro-social activities for youth.
- Provided youth with case management and information regarding employment, community-based resources and services, and long and short-term career and educational planning.
- Met with community, educational, and law enforcement partners regarding youth well-being, family support, and plans for their next academic year.
- Many youth sought support regarding resumes, job interviews, and opportunities for community service hours and stayed connected with BASTA staff over the summer.
- Family members received support regarding activities for their child/ children and safe locations that youth can go. Also, family members received information regarding services and resources available and referrals as needed over the summer and in preparation for the next school year.

Funding updates, if any: None at this time

Request of CJC, if appropriate: None at this time

Anything else you would like to share with the CJC:

It has been a great summer. Many youth are looking forward to next school year and, where appropriate, students have transitioned to schools that may serve them better regarding credit recovery and accrual. Santa Cruz County Probation officers, Sheriffs, and Police were supportive and available to answer questions, address concerns and brainstorm next school year regarding best practices, community safety, youth well being , family engagement and collaboration into the future. Our students and families continued to see success over the summer, and we are identifying strategies to close gaps and serve those most in need moving forward.



Written Report from Standing Committees and Task Force
Report Date: July 18th, 2023

Committee/Task Force Name: Youth Action Network (formerly Youth Violence Prevention Network)

Activities since the last CJC Meeting aligned with CJC Purpose:

Youth Participatory Action Research (Y-PAR) Session Updates:

- May Session #8: The May Y-PAR session revolved around focus groups and analyzing survey data. Youth learned to compare survey data based on the demographic of survey respondents and learned how to read different types of graphs. At this time youth had collected around 700 survey responses.
- June Session #9: During June, youth who participated in Y-PAR had the opportunity to provide their feedback during our in-person and virtual listening sessions. We learned that overall, they felt the activities were engaging and believed the topics we discussed are very important and pertain to our communities. Youth found it insightful learning about the challenges our community is facing and felt a sense of accomplishment after collecting and analyzing survey data.

Capitola City Youth Partnership:

- Youth Action Network has been supporting the Capitola City Youth Partnership. Agencies involved include: United Way, Capitola City Council, Capitola Police Dept., Cradle to Career, Capitola Mall, Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and Lookout Santa Cruz. The goals of the collaborative include: 1) Co-create solutions with youth to support positive behavior and youth wellbeing; 2) Shift from problematic youth behavior to positive healthy youth behavior; 3) Create a sense of safety & belonging at the Capitola Mall & Village for all. The group is organizing an event at the Capitola Mall & working to transform the Capitola Mall Police Department space at the Mall into a Youth Resource Hub. YAN created an online youth input survey; hosted a listening session with Live Oak youth & has been doing outreach to other young people to get them involved in the project.

A request of CJC, if appropriate:

Sign Up For Our Newsletter: Stay up to date with Youth Action Network programming, events, and surveys by [signing up for our newsletter!](#) During the month of August we will begin recruitment for our new YAN Steering Committee. This committee will be composed of up to 15 high school youth from throughout Santa Cruz County. Youth will have the opportunity to work on projects that will apply to their community and the entire county. Our August newsletter will share more information on recruitment and Fall opportunities.