JUVENILE JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL

Monday May 18, 2020 at 12:00
Teleconference

MEETING MINUTES

I. Introductions
   A. Chief Probation Officer Steve Jackson welcomed the Council members and introductions were made.

II. Chief Jackson updated members on AB1998

III. Chief Jackson talked about the Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan including that positive data is included in the Annual plan for this year as well as going forward evaluating all Juvenile Justice Programs including, (TAY) Transitional Age Unit, (FFIT) Family Focused Intervention Team, (PYJI) Positive Youth Justice initiative also, agencies which include Fathers & Families, Community Partnership for Families of San Joaquin and Mary Magdalene.

IV. Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Bylaws (JJC Review)
   A. The JJC Bylaws were approved and will be sent to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

V. Presentations from programs funded by the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA)
   A. Probation Officers on Campus (POOC)
      1. Probation Unit Supervisor Ryan Oatts shared that in reviewing data from Data Co-Op there is a slight concern in the increases unexcused absences and suspensions. He stated some of the main goals for this year is to increase evidence based programming, utilizing the Juvenile Passport program. After COVID-19 officers will be out motivating more youth to attend. He would also like to increase contacts, support motivation, weekly attendance checks and home visits.
   B. Reconnect Day Reporting Center
      1. Probation Unit Supervisor Jordan Richards discussed that in partnership with COE they utilize Evidence Based Programs at the school. Moving forward he would like to really focus on getting the kids to report, it is crucial that the kids get to school not only for education and the evidence based programs but
Also for the services we provide. Supervisor Richards also stated that he would like to have officers follow up with youth that have missed school, going out to their houses, try to motivate and help them succeed. Another focus this year is going to be on the classroom as well as seeing what kind of services can be offered prior to exiting reconnect as in a Job, College or a Career. Supervisor Richards also shared that he would like to see attendance and enrollment to increase. Also, working with the judges to get their support and get the referrals up so we can provide better services not only to each client but also the higher risk youth.

C. Family Focused Intervention Team (FFIT)
   1. Probation Unit Supervisor Vera Bonpua shared that the FFIT unit consists of 1 Probation Unit Supervisor, 1 Probation Officer III and 3 Probation officer II there are 155 clients, approx. 38 clients per caseload. FFIT provides wrap around case management to clients that are at high risk to reoffend and who have children under the age of 18 that suffer from either homelessness, substance abuse and/or mental illness. Supervisor Bonpua also shared that since the last meeting FFIT is fully staffed and has taken on some domestic Violence cases. She also shared that there have been approx. 10 clients graduate the Passport program successfully as well as 35 clients that graduated from either Drug, Mental health or Veterans court.

D. Transitional Age Youth Unit (TAY)
   1. Probation Unit Supervisor David Naumann stated he has 3 officers assigned to his unit. One of them is assigned to the Juvenile Caseload that supervises 18-20 year olds assisting them with Job placement, passport program as well as any other needs. The officer currently had one client graduate from high school. The other 2 officers are assigned to the adult division dealing with the clients from 18-24 year olds. One of the officers is specially assigned to AB109 caseload with a caseload of 18. The other officer deals with clients 18-24 years old that are on regular supervision and LCS with a caseload of 35 clients. Supervisor Naumann also shared that the AB109 caseload has had one client complete the community partnership for families as well as one client he assisted with getting a driver’s license and another with the Job readiness program. Supervisor Naumann stated they do not have a lot of stats at the moment and are looking into new cases.
E. Neighborhood Service Centers

1. Meredith Baker thanked Chief Jackson and Probation for trusting and funding their family resource centers across the county. Also, she would like to thank Cam and the Data Co-op for all their hard work. CPFSJ would like to ensure that all families have the tools and resources. In this reporting period we served 2955 youth that fell into category of 7-18 year olds. Meredith also stated this is significantly higher than previous years and would like to go back to see why it was such a big increase. She also discussed South Stockton as having 38.6% of the cases from last year. Meredith also discussed that Data Co-op pulled some information on 136 youth and of those 53.7% Completed/Graduated in average time of 6 months. In the last 3 years CPS intervention has decreased as well as arrests and incarcerations.

VI. Evaluation of JJCPA Programs

A. Cam Bullock (Data Co-Op) shared a summary of the 2018-2019 report, discussing the findings from POOC, Reconnect and Neighborhood Service Centers. Cam stated that out of the 27 High schools across the county for this fiscal year, 270 youth we evaluated and 77% completed the program. He discussed key findings, including dramatic decreases in arrests, incarcerations and violent felonies. There were increases in unexcused absences and suspensions. Reconnect had 26 youth enrolled in 2018-2019 46% of those lived in South Stockton. Cam also stated that the arrest rates and incarceration rates dropped.

VII. Reconnect Re-location

A. Chief Jackson stated that Reconnect will be relocating downtown to the Canlis building. Construction should begin in the upcoming fiscal year, This will dramatically improve the accessibility for the youth

VIII. Approval for submitting JJCPA 20 Year Application

A. The commission approved the submission of the 2020-2021 JJCPA application. This is the 20th year San Joaquin County has applied for the JJCPA funding.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Jackson
Chief Probation Officer