

**ADULT SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE MERCED CCP MEETING
MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 8, 2015**

Committee Members and Guests

Scott Ball (CCP Chair)	Probation Department
Jeff Kettering	Probation Department
Lisa Maples (Adult Services Chair)	Probation Department
Scott De Moss	Chief Executive’s Office
Greg Sullivan	Sheriff’s Department
Linda Romero-Soles	Superior Court
Yvonna Brown	Mental Health and AOD
Alexandria Pierce	Human Services Agency
Sharon Wardale-Trejo	Child Support Services
Chris Castaneda	BI/GEO Group
Juan Castaneda	BI/GEO Group
Jason McClung	BI/GEO Group
Sandra Wing	Pacific Education Services

Meeting commenced at 3:32 p.m.

I. Introductions

II. Approval of Minutes of May 5, 2015 - Approved

III. Public Comment – None

IV. Prop 47

- Drug Court Prop 36 impacts: 117 cases down from approx. 160. (Maples)
- Jail population is back up to original numbers after initial drop. (Sullivan)

V. Leadership for Life (LFL)

- 38 graduates from the last session. 58 in the new session that started in Aug. Two separate groups attend Tuesdays and Thursdays. (Maples)
- Probation and HSA are having difficulty maintaining and recruiting facilitators. Referrals should come to Scott for referral to Alex Pierce and Lamar Henderson.

VI. Day Reporting Centers and Jail Re-entry (DRC)

- Current capacities: 65 in Merced / 20 in Los Banos / 30 in Jail Re-entry. (McClung)
- DRC April Graduation: 43 clients, including 15 from Jail Re-entry.
- Fall Graduation Ceremony – October 29 at Gateway Gardens. 35-40 graduates.

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- **Sober Fest 2015:** a celebration of sobriety in Merced hosted by BI/GEO Group – Saturday, October 3, 11-4pm, Applegate Park. Over 25 booths, live bands, and Sheriff's K-9.
- **Cultural Awareness Event:** Jail Re-entry participants will be hosting an event at the John Latorraca Center – September 11, 9:45 – 12pm.
- CCP and BOS approved increases in capacity for DRC and Jail Re-entry for 15/16.

VII. Warrant Reduction Advocacy Program (WRAP)

- Facilitator Juan Castaneda receives referrals from probation officers when defendants are no longer responsive to probation and are on the cusp of a revocation. He works to reconnect the probationer with his/her officer to get back on track and avoid a bench warrant and, ultimately, time in jail.
- To date, 152 referrals. 26 incidents of jail avoidance. Scott estimated +/- \$100,000 in jail expenses, in addition to savings related to administrative expenses to probation, court, DA, and defense.
- Public Defender's Office also participating by assisting with contacting at-large defendants.

VIII. Probation Community Team (PACT)

- Orientation for new defendants held 1x/mo at Gateway Church involving many county and community based organizations. A probation facilitator and guest speaker orientate defendants on services available.

IX. Hobie/Tranquility Houses

- Contract renewed for 15/16 for 90-180 day housing and residential treatment for clients. 7 probation defendants are currently in the program.
- Yvonna suggested probation look into whether probation clients are billing-eligible under Medi-Cal.

X. Roundtable

- Scott: The CCP Executive Committee met in June and approved increases to capacity for client services through DRC and Jail Re-entry. Also approved were new county positions to help off-set caseload sizes since the implementation of Adult Realignment. Meeting notes: <http://www.co.merced.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=1837>

XI. Next Meeting - TBD

Meeting adjourned @ 4:12 p.m.