

Committee Members:	☒ Brian Bloom (<i>Co-Chair, District 4</i>); ☒ Juliet Leftwich (<i>Co-Chair, District 5</i>)
ACBH Staff:	☒ Angelica Gums (<i>Administrative Liaison</i>); ☒ Asia Jenkins (<i>Administrative Liaison</i>)

Meeting called to order @ 12:32 PM by **Chair Juliet Leftwich**.

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Roll Call	Roll Call completed. Lee will be joining the Criminal Justice Committee.	
Approval of Minutes	November minutes approved.	
Discussion of the Data Report Regarding the Safe Landing Project at Santa Rita Jail, Covering Pilot Month 1 (November 2020)	<p>The Criminal Justice Committee received a PowerPoint presentation of the Safe Landing Project (SLP) from Alameda County Behavioral Health, which is a fairly new program (one or two years).</p> <p>General Overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a trailer located on the grounds of Santa Rita, maybe 100 yards from the door and is designed as a place where those leaving Santa Rita can get connected to services. • It is not 24/7 operated program. It is meant to be a “warm hand-off” to services. • Many people who leave Santa Rita leave because they have been sentenced to Probation. There is an obvious link between Probation and the Safe Landing Project • We were hoping that someone could speak on the Presentation next meeting. • The Data Report is from the month of November. 	

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<p>Discussion/Questions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal of the meeting: To spend time discussing the data, generating questions, and asking what additional data is important, and what implications/inferences are important? This will prepare our discussion for when someone from the Safe Landing Project can join us in a month or two. • The SLP is contracted out to an organization called Roots Community Health Center, headed by Dr. Aboloeta. • It is funded by the County with the goal to get people connected to services, so they don't recidivate. Its intended that they receive their mental health needs from the community. <p>Discussion on Presentation Slides:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Summary of Safe Landing Project Data <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Define the terms. What does encounter, and engagement mean? Yvonne responded that an encounter means they contacted the person, engagement means the person is interested in services and it goes further than that. b) 54 engagements were made out of 748 releases. Are we satisfied with this number? How does it compare to other jurisdictions? If not, how can we create greater publicity? c) Chair Bloom: When people leave do they know that this service is available? d) Captain Luckett – There is an Apex sign at the base of the ramp, entrance to the jail, with arrows pointing to the trailer. Roots staff will also greet them, talk to them, offer them food, and introduce themselves. If they don't want services, they go about their day. They only make contact with the individuals that leave during their operational hours. e) Yvonne: They do have a big sign on their trailer that identifies who they are. A lot of people head straight out and want to leave as soon as possible and not engage. We're now starting to track how many have been released and refused services? f) Chair Bloom: When someone is released from Jail and will be on probation, the judge tells them within 2-3 days, they are given the name of their Probation officer. Is there any thought to have that engagement be at the Roots trailer, can the contact with their Probation Officer be made as early as that encounter/engagement? g) Marcus: It's not something that we've talked about. We have been involved in a few meetings with Roots and they are working on an MOU with them that will allow additional hours to serve the 	

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	<p>population, but no that has not been discussed. Maybe they can revisit it down the road. We also have one of our locations at East County Hall of Justice that is close by. It also depends on the type of release. If someone is released through the pre-trial program, they are given a summary of what to expect by the probation officer that is at the jail. There is one probation officer who works with the ITR staff at Santa Rita and we're looking at having another PO to do some pre-release/case planning before clients get released back into the community.</p> <p>h) Chair Leftwich: Can you explain probation's role in increasing their hours?</p> <p>i) Marcus: The realignment funds for CBOs get funneled through the Probation Department. The Contracts unit help to do a RFP for the funds that are associated with AB109 and be able to put contract in place.</p> <p>j) Chair Leftwich: Does the Board of Supervisors (BOS) need to approve the increase funding and are you the conduit?</p> <p>k) Marcus: There is a Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee (CCPEC), chaired by the Chief Probation Officer, and working groups associated with this effort. The working groups are: program and services, fiscal and procurement, process and evaluation, data group, and community advisory board (CAB). The CAB provides advisement to the CCPEC, and they decide if it should be approved or not. If funding is approved, the BOS approves what programs will be funded and how much.</p> <p>l) Chair Bloom: In the past, folks are either released from jail and placed on probation, released by judge on OR, or they post bail. Now many are released by pre-trial services ran by probation, where they interview the person and determine if they are a risk. Folks with mental health are a target group that we want to be mindful of, then work out a disposition that considers their mental health challenges?</p> <p>m) Chair Bloom: What type of releases are we talking about? And are we finding more engagements with more groups than others?</p> <p>n) Diane: When a person has been in jail and has lost services, they don't have a phone, is there any help with getting a phone to contact their probation officer?</p> <p>o) Chair Bloom: If they are newly arrested and haven't been convicted of anything, not going to have a probation officer pending their charge.</p>	

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	<p>p) Marcus: Once they go to Report and Sentencing Hearing with the Court, given paperwork to identify their Probation Officer.</p> <p>q) Marcus: There was an accelerated release due to COVID-19 where individuals were provided a phone and given gift cards for hotel, and surface tablets. Our effort was to eliminate barriers to contacting their families and probation officer.</p> <p>r) Lee: How many of the engagements are those who have an Serious Mental Illness (SMI)?</p> <p>s) Chair Leftwich: Is there any follow-up regarding recidivism?</p> <p>2. Average Number of people released from Santa Rita by Day of Week in November</p> <p>a) Chair Bloom: From the slide, Mondays and Fridays are the highest days. This only captures one month and don't know if these statistics or averages are normal.</p> <p>b) Yvonne: This is the preliminary data, so may not be the final report. We are also looking at the time that people are released from jail.</p> <p>c) Chair Bloom: Seems like the highest times they are released from jail is from 2- 10 pm (7 days a week).</p> <p>3. Average Number of People Released from SRJ by Hour of Day</p> <p>a) Chair Bloom: They're missing the 8 pm folks based on the chart.</p> <p>4. Total Number of People Engaged with SLP by Time of the Day</p> <p>a) Chair Bloom: Most people are getting released between 8 – 9 pm</p> <p>b) Lee: Might it also coincide with public transportation being less available?</p> <p>c) Chair Bloom: There is a bus that runs to the Bart training hourly from the jail</p> <p>d) Lee: How late does the bus run?</p> <p>e) Captain Luckett: At 9 pm, the bus stops running.</p> <p>f) Chair Bloom: Is there any money available for late releases pass 9 pm.</p> <p>g) Yvonne: They do provide uber rides. They also provide hot meals to individuals once they are released.</p> <p>5. Age of SLP Participants who Engaged in Program</p> <p>6. Gender of SLP Participants Who Engaged in Program</p> <p>7. Race/Ethnicity of SLP Participants who Engaged in Program</p> <p>8. Length of Recent Jail Stay Among SLP Participants Who Engaged in Program</p> <p>a) Chair Bloom: What efforts can we make to reach people in jail?</p> <p>9. Probation/Parole Status of SLP Participants who engaged in Program.</p>	

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	<p>a) 36% - People who still have charges pending; re-released pre-trial</p> <p>b) 4% - Convicted of more serious offenses</p> <p>c) Chair Bloom: The SLP have no way of knowing who the client's probation officer or is there a system?</p> <p>d) Marcus: Currently, it is not possible. One thing that they can do with contracted providers is when they get referred by the PO, they can make a referral through the portal, which interfaces with the case management system. The way the providers know who the probation officer is. With SLP, the DPO is not making a referral. The person is self-enrolling into the program. Perhaps that is something they can do as part of the release process with the DPO and they can put that as a referral was made to SLP in the portal.</p> <p>e) Captain Lockett- Services can be provided at the Transition Center. Also, now trying to ramp up our discharge services as command at the Jail.</p> <p>f) Chair Bloom: This must be self-reported. There is some confusion in terms of the type of probation a person is on. There is no longer a bank case load, everyone has a probation officer.</p> <p>10. Need for Behavioral Health Services for SLP Participants Who Engaged in Program</p> <p>a) Chair Leftwich: There doesn't seem to be an evolution. The person is offered and respond if they need services.</p> <p>b) Yvonne: This is based on their assessment and interaction with the client. They are given access to the County system to see if they are receiving mental health services or receiving services in the jail.</p> <p>c) Alison Monroe: A lot of folks because of their nature, don't perceive themselves as mentally ill so they don't self-report of feel they need services.</p> <p>d) Chair Bloom: Could a judge release you under the safe landing project and expect the person is coming and expect you to get hooked up with mental health services?</p> <p>e) Yvonne: They have coordinated with SLP for services and wait until they picked them up.</p> <p>11. Encounter Activities Provided to SLP Participants who Engaged in Program</p> <p>12. Benefits Enrollment Requested by Participants Who Engaged with SLP</p> <p>a) Chair Bloom: People who are SSI/SSDI lose benefits when they enter jail and will need to re-enroll. They are also tied to COVID relief. Maybe SLP can assist with that.</p> <p>b) Chair Bloom: What is HMIS?</p>	

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	<p>c) Sophia Lai (ACBH): HMIS stands for Homeless Management Information System. It is a generic name for what all the Counties use to collect information around homeless service programs. It is a database. There is a coordinated entry assessment that everyone who is seeking homeless services needs to complete. Only way you can get housing is if you are on the list.</p> <p>13. Needs Identified by Participants Who Engaged in SLP</p> <p>14. Needs Identified by Participants Who Engaged with SLP</p> <p>a) Chair Leftwich: What was done in terms of feeling the need?</p> <p>15. Needs Identified by Participants Who Engaged with SLP Chart, cont.</p> <p>b) Chair Bloom: Some give information at that time and other times they're linking them to services. What is the follow-up?</p> <p>c) Lee: Any linkages to services?</p> <p>d) April: Anyone who gets let out, they do order meds upon release? They have to know they are getting out. If they are let out later or earlier or unexpectedly, the pharmacy may not be able to fill their prescription.</p> <p>e) Captain Lockett: We are really working on trying to fix these systems. The commander is committed on how we can do this better.</p> <p>f) Lee: People leave without mediation, they have a hard time functioning without it, and then finding out how to get it is difficult on the client.</p> <p>g) Chair Leftwich: Is there any legal prohibition based on confidentiality that will prevent the courts from having family contact information?</p> <p>h) Chair Bloom: there is no prohibition on notifying a family member that a person is getting out of jail.</p> <p>i) Joe Rose has requested copies of the slide. Have we received data from the Sherriff's Office? Julie affirmed and said that we hope to have someone present on the data at an upcoming meeting.</p> <p>16. Needs Identified by Participants Who Engaged with SLP Cont.</p> <p>17. Referrals to Non-Roots Services</p> <p>Any last questions:</p> <p>Joe: Yvonne works directly with people in the jail. Is there an opportunity for her and her staff to direct people to these services prior to their release?</p> <p>Captain Lockett: AFBH does do that with some of their clients. Refer them to SLP and external services.</p>	<p>Brian to invite Dr. Aboleta to speak on the Safe Landing Project data discussed.</p> <p>Julie to contact the Sherrif's office to present on the data provided as part of the initial data request to ACBH.</p>

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	<p>Lee: Interested in talking to people who work for Roots to hear some of the resources that they can't provide or don't have other resources to refer people to? What kind of things are they struggling to provide?</p> <p>Chair Bloom: Would like Dr. Aboleta to come from her perspective what else we can be doing? What are the obstacles/success stories?</p> <p>New Meeting Time: The Criminal Justice Committee now meets on the third Wednesday of every month from 4:30 – 6:00 pm.</p>	
Adjournment	Adjourned at 1:58 PM	

Minutes submitted by A. Gums