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			allison schallert	
			Andrea Kinloch	Our youth justice system needs all the help it can get to make it less awful. Please approve this!
			Andrea Rothschild	Not sure we should be locking children up in a probation facility at all and based on new coverage and reports from the front line (as in inside) - we have to have appropriate staffing and age appropriate activities and skill building for these kids. Boredom is dangerous and cruel for developing minds.
			Briani A Mobley	



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			Cipra Nemeth	
			Cynthia Wong	



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5.		<b>Favor</b>	Dilpreet Sidhu	<p>My name is Dilpreet, and I am with the Anti-Recidivism Coalition. I extend my gratitude to Supervisor Mitchell for introducing Item #5, Supporting Youth-Centered Programming at Juvenile Probation Facilities.</p> <p>We wholeheartedly support the allocation of \$2 million from DYD, utilizing state funds to address critical programming gaps within juvenile halls.</p> <p>As a clinical therapist working with youth in reentry, I have witnessed firsthand the profound impact that mentorship and guidance from individuals with shared lived experiences can have. Rehabilitation is not only possible but transformative for young people who are given the chance to redefine their futures, free from the shadows of past mistakes or circumstances. Every day, we see the incredible changes in youth who engage in ARC programs and groups within our offices.</p> <p>However, the current policies of the Probation Department hinder the entry of our Credible Messengers into juvenile halls. These trained, formerly incarcerated mentors are essential in connecting with and supporting youth on their path to rehabilitation and reintegration, all while maintaining the safety of the facilities. Credible Messengers embody the power of radical empathy, trust, and unwavering support, standing as living proof that rehabilitation is achievable with the right guidance.</p> <p>If we are truly committed to helping our youth evolve into contributing members of society, our actions must align with our words. We must provide the necessary programming to make this transformation a reality. Credible Messengers are a proven solution. Their success stories, as seen through ARC members, highlight the effectiveness of this approach. It is illogical to possess a viable solution and not implement it.</p> <p>We urgently request that the Board intervene to streamline the clearance process for Credible Messengers to enter juvenile halls. Removing these barriers will significantly enhance our youth-centered programming and ensure every young person behind bars has access to the vital support and mentorship they need.</p> <p>Thank you, Dilpreet Sidhu</p>
			Elizabeth Beale	
			Francine D Tansey	



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5.		<b>Favor</b>	helen eigenberg	we know programming works and keeps youth and staff safe. please, i have attended poc meetings--programming isn't happening. our youth and the staff deserve and need better. please this seems like a no brainer--lets let DYD do their job and let's get the programming in camps and halls.
			jennifer levin	<p>I am writing to express my strong support for Item 5. I am a member of the community group HangOutDoGood. Spurred on by the tragic death of Byran Diaz, we have spent the last year -- actually over a year -- trying to bring the Rising Scholars program into our juvenile halls. With no success. Which is doubly frustrating given that the state has set aside money for this program. And while other counties have implemented the program, ours has not.</p> <p>The whole system is a mess. You know it. And now I konw it. Over the year we have met with Chief Viera Rosa, and Ms. Epps. We've met leaders at DYD. (LACO never returns our emails and usually doesn't show to meetings.) We have attended meetings. And all that's happened is people are pointing fingers. Meanwhile kids are dying in our system.</p> <p>So... yes, more programming is vital. It needs to be in-person. It also needs to be interesting to the youth. Inspiring. And YOU MUST MAKE IT CLEAR WHO IS ACCOUNTABLE for getting the programs up and running. Because right now, there is no one, except a bunch of bureacrats taking meetings, and pointing fingers, and patting themselves on the back for some MP3 players that they allow the kids to have for good behavior.</p> <p>One shining example of action in our community is Sam Prater of LA Room and Board. Together with Angeles Zaragoza, Sam has initiated the Opportunity House program, which provides justice-involved youth the chance to earn their college degrees. I have witnessed firsthand the dedication and effectiveness of Sam and Angeles. They are doers, people who say "yes" and follow through with their commitments. We need more leaders like them in our county. In fact, Supervisor Mitchell, as my representative in the county, and as the co-author of this motion, I challenge you to follow Sam and Angeles lead and make things happen.</p> <p>Don't just make this yet another motion that passes but nothing actually happens.</p> <p>Jennifer Levin</p>



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			Karen A Eyres	
			Kevin Roberts	<p>My name is Kevin Roberts and I'm with the Anti-Recidivism Coalition. I thank Supervisor Mitchell for bringing forward Item #5, Supporting Youth-Centered Programming at Juvenile Probation Facilities.</p> <p>We strongly support the allocation of \$2 million from DYD, utilizing state funds to address critical programming gaps within juvenile halls.</p> <p>However, the Probation Department prevents many of our Credible Messengers from entering juvenile halls. Credible Messengers, who are trained formerly incarcerated mentors, are crucial in connecting and supporting youth on their journey toward rehabilitation and reintegration, while keeping facilities safe. We urgently request that the Board intervene and help fix the clearance process for Credible Messengers to enter juvenile halls. By removing these barriers, we can enhance the effectiveness of our youth-centered programming and ensure that every young person has access to the support and guidance they need.</p> <p>Thank you,</p> <p>Kevin Roberts</p>
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			Marilyn Wells	Youth have a better chance of success if they receive services that support their recovery
			Marvin F Gulley	<p>My name is Marvin Gulley with the Anti-Recidivism Coalition. I thank Supervisor Mitchell for bringing forward Item #5, Supporting Youth-Centered Programming at Juvenile Probation Facilities.</p> <p>We strongly support the allocation of \$2 million from DYD, utilizing state funds to address critical programming gaps within juvenile halls.</p> <p>However, the Probation Department prevents many of our Credible Messengers from entering juvenile halls. Credible Messengers, who are trained formerly incarcerated mentors, are crucial in connecting and supporting youth on their journey toward rehabilitation and reintegration, while keeping facilities safe. We urgently request that the Board intervene and help fix the clearance process for Credible Messengers to enter juvenile halls. By removing these barriers, we can enhance the effectiveness of our youth-centered programming and ensure that every young person has access to the support and guidance they need.</p> <p>Thank you,</p> <p>Marvin F. Gulley</p>
			Moira A Kelly	I am a member of a community called HangOutdoGood, I support item 5 because I am informed that there is an attempt to put Rising Scholars into our juvenile hall with no success, which is unacceptable, more programming needs to be available for these kids, and programs that might give these kids some joy and learning skills. Accountability, who needs to get this job done.,



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			Shona Ganguly	
			Sonja Berndt	I am a longtime resident of Pasadena and I am a member of the LA County grassroots activist group Hang Out Do Good. I strongly support the motion giving DYD broad, time-limited authority to expand its ability to contract with community-based organizations through an expedited process. The lack of available or consistent programming for youth in our juvenile facilities is completely unacceptable. The ordinary competitive process to procure services is too lengthy to respond to the emergency that exists due to lack of programming in our juvenile facilities.
			Sophia Ventura	I fully support agenda item number 5, therefore granting DYD greater authority of managing programs and youth care inside facilities. I have had the opportunity to work alongside credible messengers, and have witnessed first hand the impact of their spirit and work. The Credible Messengers program serves as an example of how well DYD can manage alternative solutions with the authority select providers directly and deliver contracts. This motion offers an opportunity for the supervisors to translate their words into action in the implementation of YJR.
			Stacey Byrnes	Robust, youth-centered programming is the keystone to meaningful change in our long-troubled juvenile halls. Progress has been either absent or too slow, too halting, failing generations of justice-involved youth. Immediate, effective change is essential.



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			Tania Ibanez Virnig	I support the motion to provide funding for Director of Youth Development to enter into agreements not to exceed one year to meet the urgent needs of youth while detained. The Probation Department has not been able to adequately meet the educational needs of our youth. The youth desperately need more opportunities to develop occupational skills so that they may lead productive and successful lives as adults.
			Vicente Sanchez	
		<b>Item Total</b>	<b>30</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>30</b>	

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Thank you,

Stiben Mijango

**Sending Facility Information**

**Name:** Marian Medical Center  
**Address:** 1400 East Church St  
Santa Maria, CA  
93454  
**Phone:** (805) 739-3000

**Patient Information**

**Name:** VARGAS ALATORRE, LUIS LORENZO  
**DOB:** 12/24/1968  
**Sex:** M  
**SSN:** XXX-XX-3795  
**Phone:** (562)450-7743  
**MRN:** 3000749314

**Document: XR Chest 2 Views**

**Status: F**

**Study\Observation Date:** 4/23/2024 16:48:23

**Dictating Physician:** AURAN, TIMOTHY

**Ordering Physician:** KAZAK, MICHAEL

**CC Physician:**

**PROCEDURE:** XR CHEST 2 VIEWS

**COMPARISON:** Plaza Diagnostic Imaging, XR, XR CHEST 2 VIEWS, 12/13/2022, 10:40.

**INDICATIONS:** non spec reaction to skin test

**CLINICAL:** positive skin test.

**PRIORS:** Yes. Marian Regional Medical Center xr chest  
xr chest

**INJURY:** No.

**CANCER:** No.

**SURGERY:** No.

**FINDINGS:**

**LUNGS:** No significant pulmonary parenchymal abnormalities.

**VASCULATURE:** Unremarkable pulmonary vasculature.

**CARDIAC:** Normal cardiac silhouette.

**MEDIASTINUM:** Unremarkable.

**PLEURA:** Unremarkable.

**BONES:** Moderate degenerative disc disease. Moderate shoulder degenerative changes.

**OTHER:** No other significant findings.

**CONCLUSION:**

1. Negative examination.

Dictated by: Timothy L. Auran, M.D. on 4/23/2024 at 18:29

Approved by: Timothy L. Auran, M.D. on 4/23/2024 at 18:31

cc's to:

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Dictated by: Auran, Timothy L MD

Electronically signed by: Auran, Timothy L MD

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Volunteer Applicant:  Luis L. Vargas   
 Institution:  CMC

<b>INSTITUTION USE ONLY</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEW VOLUNTEER	<input type="checkbox"/> RENEWAL

5. Have you ever been arrested and/or convicted of any offense?  No  Yes (If yes, list all detentions, arrests, and/or convictions. Attach additional sheet(s), if necessary.)

Offense	Approx. Date	Disposition (Dismissed, Probation, Jail, Prison, etc.)	County	State	Country
261 CA (2) VC FEL 664 - 286 CC	12/01/98 12/01/1998	convicted exonerated	L.A.	CA.	U.S.A
204 (B) (1)	12/01/98	convicted exonerated	L.A.	CA.	U.S.A.
220 PC	12/01/98	convicted exonerated	L.A.	CA.	U.S.A.
220 PC	12/01/98	convicted exonerated	L.A.	CA.	U.S.A.
261 (a) (2)	1998	convicted 3 yrs in prison	L.A.	CA.	U.S.A.
Battery on Person	1988	convicted time served	San Diego	CA.	U.S.A.
Burglary home	1988	convicted time served	San Diego	CA.	U.S.A.

6. Are you currently on parole or probation?  No  Yes (If yes, shall be one year free of illegal activity, submit approval letter from RPA or designee, list name, telephone number and county of parole agent/probation officer)

7. Are you discharged from prison or parole?  No  Yes (If yes, shall be one year free of illegal activity, list date of discharge, name of institution, and attach letter addressed to the Warden outlining the circumstances below.)

(If information is not disclosed or inaccurate information is provided, your application may not be approved)

I certify that:

- No salaries, wages, or unemployment benefits are to be paid for volunteer services.
- There is no Worker's Compensation provided.
- Use of State supplies may be permitted when directed to do so.
- I must attend any required training as directed.
- I have read and understand the CDCR Primary Laws, Rules, and Regulations Regarding Conduct and Association with State Prison Inmates (CDCR Form 181).
- I authorize CDCR to obtain information from law enforcement sources regarding my criminal history.
- I understand that I must notify the Community Resources Manager immediately in the event there is any change to any of the information I have provided.

**The information you provide is entered and stored in a secure electronic database for a minimum of three years. By signing this application, you acknowledge and agree to this process.**

Luis L. Vargas   
 Applicant's Signature

04/23/2024   
 Date

**VOLUNTEERS WITH DISABILITIES:** If you have special requirements related to your disability (medical implants, prosthetic devices or requiring mobility assistive devices, i.e., crutches, walkers, braces, wheelchairs, battery operated or custom prescribed wheelchairs, guide dog for the visually or hearing impaired, insulin kit with syringes, etc.) you will need to attach a verifying statement from your physician. Volunteers with guide dogs will need to provide the dog's certification paperwork upon visit check-in. The CDCR will make every effort to provide reasonable accommodations for all qualified/eligible volunteers with disabilities in keeping with the safety and security of the institution and the public. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact the Community Resources Manager.