

**Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC)
Community Advisory Committee (CAC)
Tuesday, November 16, 2021, Meeting Minutes**

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Meeting: Community Advisory Committee Meeting (CAC)

Date/Time of Meeting: Tuesday, November 16, 2021, 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Location of Meeting: Virtual Meeting - WebEx

Members Present: 9

1. Adam Bettino, Chief Deputy, Probation Department
2. Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 4
3. Gloria Janet Gonzalez, At-Large Community Representative
4. Josh Green, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 3 (JJCC-CAC Chair)
5. Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative
6. Juan Navarro, Non-Profit Community-Based Drug and Alcohol Provider
7. Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit Community-Based Organization (CBO) Supervisorial Representative, District 1
8. Dr. Denice Price, At-Large Community Representative
9. Diego H. Rodrigues, At-Large Community Representative **Audio Time stamp: 4:11-6:34**

Minutes Prepared By: Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department

I. Welcome and Introductions

(JJCPA Administration Note: Prior to the Roll Call, JJCPA Administration included the information regarding the process to make a public comment. The audience was directed to the Notice and Agenda that included the process to provide public comments during the live virtual meeting. Additionally, recurring issues were covered to provide clarity to assist those wishing to make a public comment.) **Audio Time stamp: 2:40-4:08**

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, welcomed everyone. He stated state legislation that instructs the JJCC to create the annual Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan (CMJJP). The CMJJP provides guidance regarding JJCC funding allocation recommendations. He stated the CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee held frequent meetings to complete the process. The purpose of the JJCC-CAC meeting would include obtaining community input to bring the community voice into JJCC discussions. **Audio Time stamp: 6:35-9:20**

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II. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Attachment: Handout: JJCC-CAC Draft Meeting Minutes (6-24-21) Draft - (JJCC-CAC Meeting 11-16-21)

a. Approval of the June 24, 2021, JJCC-CAC Draft Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes made by Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, 2nd by Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 4 Audio Time stamp: 9:35-9:42

CAC Member Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Ayes: Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, Adam Bettino, Chief Deputy, Probation Department, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 1, Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 4, Diego H. Rodrigues, At-Large Community Representative, Dr. Denice Price, At-Large Community Representative, Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative

No: None

Abstentions: None

Motion Passed Audio time stamp: 10:04-11:39

III. Old Business

JJCC-CAC Draft Meeting Minutes (2-26-21) (Draft) - (JJCC-CAC Meeting 11-16-21)

a. Approval of the February 26, 2021 JJCC-CAC Draft Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes made by Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, 2nd by Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 4 Audio Time stamp: 12:00-12:16

CAC Member Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

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Ayes: Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, Adam Bettino, Chief Deputy, Probation Department, Bikila Ochoa, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 1, Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 4, Diego H. Rodrigues, At-Large Community Representative, Dr. Denice Price, At-Large Community Representative, Kent Mendoza, At-Large Community Representative

No: None

Abstentions: None

Motion Passed Audio time stamp: 12:35-14:00

IV. New Business

a. Status Update Presentation by Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2023 Comprehensive Multi-Agency Juvenile Justice Plan (CMJJP) and JJCC – CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Funding Allocation Recommendations

i. CMJJP Subcommittee Composition and Mission

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, read the CMJJP Mission that was shown on screen during the meeting. “The mission of the Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan is to improve youth and family wellness and community safety by increasing equitable investments in, and access to, opportunities to strengthen resiliency and reduce delinquency.” The Mission was created by a previous CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee and it captures previous JJCC conversations about funding goals. The Ad-Hoc Subcommittee membership was shown on screen and he recited the names of the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee members. He ended by stating that the CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee is not a standing subcommittee and therefore must be limited to a number less than JJCC quorum. Audio time stamp: 14:05-16:39

ii. Draft FY 2022-2023 CMJJP

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, introduced JJCC-CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Co-Chair, Mercy Santoro, LACO Parks & Recreation, to provide a presentation regarding the updates to the CMJJP. After Mercy Santoro’s presentation, he indicated the information would also be presented

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at the JJCC meeting to review the changes to the CMJJP. He stated the draft version of the CMJJP included track-changes which made it difficult to visually share. Audio time stamp: 16:40-17:04, 28:37-29:25, 30:11-31:24

Mercy Santoro, LACO Parks & Recreation, CMJJP-Ad-Hoc Subcommittee Co-Chair, stated the CMJJP allows multiple agencies to work together to form a network of continuity of services that creates a broad system for families and youth that supports the strategies of the CMJJP. The Ad-Hoc Subcommittee members reviewed the FY 2021-22 CMJJP, considered data sets, surveys, reviewed best practices, and literature reviews to incorporate updates into the CMJJP. They focused on ensuring continuity of services, given the implications of the COVID-19 Pandemic. During their process, the following remained at the forefront: a focus on transparency and accountability and the funding allocations. She stated the CMJJP is a wide-ranging document that included a truncated completion timeframe.

The CMJJP updates were intended to reflect the current climate regarding the Anti-Racism, Diversity and Inclusion (ARTI), and Care First, Jails Last, Initiatives, as well as Measure J and the science around trauma, and traumatic experiences. One recommendation is to shift the CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee's timeline to allow space to work on the CMJJP update. The Resolution would seek to convene the CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee in Spring 2022 (to meet from approximately March through May 2022 to work on the CMJJP), as opposed to the current timeline of convening September through December. Another intended accomplishment was to consider RAND's overviews and GAP Analysis. Additionally, they want to incorporate RAND's evaluation findings to ensure a review of program effectiveness, and to incorporate those strategies in decision making. The Ad-Hoc Subcommittee felt their efforts around funding allocations need to consider data, with a concentration regarding disproportionately involved youth in the juvenile justice system, that includes the understanding that there are geographical gaps. The Ad-Hoc Subcommittee want to have the JJCC-CAC Survey updated. They want to ensure that the effort with the Governance Ad-Hoc Subcommittee aligns with the development of the survey. She stated that there needs to be a strong youth engagement process and considering methodologies to ensure that the data received is reliable. The surveys are the first data sets

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considered by the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee to see where the needs have been identified by young people, service providers and family members.

The Ad-Hoc Subcommittee felt strongly that organizations receiving funding understand the commitments and obligations of reporting data to assist the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee to allow better understanding of the gaps in program effectiveness. Additionally, to understand the level of funding that is returned to contractors and subcontractors that are being served by the funding. They recognized that an organization's completed application for funding must be clear regarding their funding strategies, the alignment of the strategies with the allocation, and the funding amount for each strategy. She stated the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee created clear, specific direction for applicants. Higher quality applications should result in enhanced information on how the requested funding would be allocated, should they receive funding. They recognized that justice outcomes for youth are critical. Additionally, the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee provided clear direction and expectations that inform organizations that they must provide the required youth justice outcome data. They wanted everyone to understand that the data is protected, and it is critical to the state's audit, as well providing information regarding effectiveness. She ended by stating that the FY 2022-23 CMJJP has a stronger focus on accountability and transparency by setting clear expectations around data collection as well as a commitment to ensuring that the CMJJP framework reflects today's times and needs of young people. **Audio time stamp: 17:05-28:36**

(JJCPA Administrative Note: Josh Green Non-Profit CBO, Supervisorial Representative District 3 was informed that Juan Navarro, Non-Profit Community-Based Drug and Alcohol Provider had joined the meeting during the agenda item). **Audio time stamp: 29:00-29:07**

CAC Member Discussion: Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 4 **Audio time stamp: 29:32-30:10**

Public Comment: None

iii. FY 2022-2023 JJCPA Funding

Attachment: Handout: JJCC JJCPA FYs 2019-20 through FY 2021-22 Approved Funding Allocations with FY 2022-23 Funding Requests (Draft)

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1. JJCC JJCPA FYs 2019-20 through FY 2021-22 Approved Funding Allocations with FY 2022-23 Funding Requests (Draft)

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, introduced Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, as a presenter regarding the JJCC-JJCPA FY 2019-2020 through FY 2022-2023 Funding Requests. He indicated she would be providing information regarding both handouts. After the first presentation (IV a, iii, 1), he stated that the document included historical funding and whether requests remained consistent, or agencies requested funding increases. He then called for CAC Member Discussion.

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, following CAC Member Discussion by moving to IV a, iii, 2, and asked Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, to complete her second presentation prior to taking additional CAC Member Discussion and prior to Public Comments. After the second presentation, he stated the estimated expenditures are self-reported and are the amounts the agencies plan to spend during the fiscal year. He added that the CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee asked for the information regarding estimated expenditures to have as much information as possible. **Audio time stamp: 31:24-31:49, 34:55-35:35:54,36:25-36:56, 38:37-39:03, 39:36-40:03,41:07-42:03**

Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, shared the handout on screen and stated it was developed to include agencies who received funding from FY 2019-2020 through FY 2021-22. The handout included the funding requests submitted for FY 2022-23 (pink/rose column). The FY 2022-23 requests will be under consideration for the JJCC's approval between December 2021 and January 2022. The handout contained the agency name, the program or project, the service strategy category. The columns for funding included base funding (green column), growth funding (blue column). The handout was designed to provide the JJCC with historical information about previously approved funding based on the two types of funding per fiscal year which was located next to the total requests for funding. Agencies listed below the grey bar did not submit a request for FY 2022-23.

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They are listed to include previously allocated funding from prior fiscal years. **Audio time stamp: 31:50-34:54, 36:05-36:22**

CAC Member Discussion: None

Attachment: Handout: JJCC JJCPA: FY 2021-22 Allocations with Previous FY Expenditure Summary, FY 2021-22 Estimated Expenditures (as of 10/2021) and FY 2022-23 Funding Requests (Draft)

2. JJCC JJCPA: FY 2021-22 Allocations with Previous FY Expenditure Summary, FY 2021-22 Estimated Expenditures (as of 10/2021) and FY 2022-23 Funding Requests (Draft)

Sharon Harada, Bureau Chief, Probation Department, shared the handout on screen and stated the handout included the same listing of agencies and included the expenditures for FY 2020-2021 and as well as carryover funds which occurred due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Some agencies experienced an impact to service delivery due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. In some instances, due to school closures, the capacity to deliver services were impacted. The handout included the total allocations for FY 2020-2021 (orange column) and reflected the total expenditures and estimated expenditures. She stated Probation sends monthly emails to the agencies requesting estimated expenditures for the fiscal year to track expenditures and to inquire regarding any issues faced by the agency regarding expenditures. It was hoped that the handout would assist JJCC members by having the information to analyze if agencies were on track to spend down their allocations for the fiscal year and any carryover. She stated that the column for estimated expenditures was placed next to the funding requests for FY 2022-23 that JJCC will consider. She added that JJCPA is under two Audit Corrective Action Plans. The Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller (A/C) Audit, recommended Probation utilize the process to obtain estimates from the agencies regarding what they plan to spend and include monthly updates, rather than only posted actual expenditures. **Audio time stamp: 36:58-38:36, 39:05-39:33, 40:33-41:05**

CAC Member Discussion: Johnie Drawn Jr., Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 4 **Audio time stamp: 40:38-43:11**

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Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, allotted two minutes for public comment. **Audio time stamp: 43:38-43:47**

Public Comment (continued): Elida Ledesma, Olivia Shields, Kruti Parekh, Ruth Cusick, Kruti Parekh, Zoe Rawson, Vivian Wong, George Rio, Anthony Robles, Melinda Kakani, Dr. Cornejo, Leah Gasser-Ordaz, Miguel Casar Rodriguez, Ruth Tyson, Ezekiel Nishiyama **Audio time stamp: 44:42-46:05, 47:12-48:38, 49:25-49:56, 51:12-52:46, 54:00-56:00, 56:48-58:52, 1:02:05-1:03:51, 1:04:30-1:05:48, 1:07:30-1:09:34, 1:11:40-1:13:15, 1:14:10-1:16:21, 1:16:50-1:18:51, 1:20:05-1:22:08, 1:22:39-1:24:05, 1:28:20-1:30:21**

(JJCPA Administrative Note: Josh Green, Non-profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, JJCC-CAC Chair, informed Sharon Hawkins, who in turn, made an announcement during Public Comment, that a person listed in the WebEx attendees as Gloria Gonzalez might be JJCC-CAC member Gloria Janet Gonzalez. She was elevated in WebEx and confirmed that's she was JJCC-CAC member Gloria Janet Gonzalez. Sharon Hawkins indicated to the JJCC-CAC Chair that Gloria Janet Gonzalez was present for the meeting). **Audio Time Stamp: 46:13-46:43**

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, following public comments, expressed his appreciation regarding those who made public comments. He stated the next step in the process would result in the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee making official recommendations to the JJCC. Therefore, there would be another opportunity for input once the Ad-Hoc Subcommittee has made the recommendations on spending allocations.

He mentioned that both CAC members Juan Navarro, Non-Profit Drug and Alcohol Provider and Gloria Janet Gonzalez, At-Large Representative joined during the agenda item and asked if procedurally, they could speak on the agenda item that had just concluded public comments. **Audio time stamp: 1:32:15-1:32:49, 1:32:50-1:33:59**

(JJCPA Administrative Note: Sharon Hawkins, Probation Department, suggested to stay in line with having concluded

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public comments after CAC Members Discussion, that it be handled by moving onto the next Agenda Item for those who recently joined the meeting to speak). **Audio time stamp: 1:34:00-1:34:09**

V. Other Matters/Public Comment

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative District 3, moved on to Agenda Item V and called for CAC Member Discussion. **Audio time stamp: 1:34:10-1:34:28**

CAC Member Discussion: Gloria Janet Gonzalez, At-Large Community Representative **Audio time stamp: 1: 34:31-1:35:59**

Public Comment: Troy Bennett, Lushandra Prioleau **Audio time stamp: 1:38:18-1:41:05, 1:44:36-1:46:34**

Josh Green, Non-Profit CBO Supervisorial Representative, District 3, thanked those who provided comments. He reflected there was agreement that resources should be allocated in a way that supports the wellness of young people. There may not be total agreement on how to accomplish it. He was hopeful the meeting would provide assistance to the CMJJP Ad-Hoc Subcommittee to be able to return with clear recommendations for the JJCC. **Audio time stamp: 1:46:45-1:47:50**

VI. Adjournment – Meeting Adjourned at 4:51 P.M.