

# IMPERIAL COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERSHIP (CCP)

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2022 Zoom

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#### **Zoom Meeting Information:**

Meeting ID: 841 8837 9035

**Passcode**: 450908

**Dial-In**: 1-669-900-6833

Web Link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84188379035?pwd=R0VmR1ZpZXMwVTdidmtjZzAvcW5hQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84188379035?pwd=R0VmR1ZpZXMwVTdidmtjZzAvcW5hQT09</a>

#### 1. Call to Order

- a. Roll Call
- b. Approval for the continued use of telecommunication services for a 30-day period
- c. Approval of CCP Executive Meeting Minutes from January 27, 2022

#### 2. Chair's Report

#### 3. Member Updates

- a. District Attorney Mr. Gilbert Otero
- b. Sheriff's Office Sheriff Raymond Loera
- c. Social Services Ms. Veronica Rodriguez
- d. Public Defender Mr. Ben Salorio
- e. El Centro Police Department Chief Brian Johnson
- f. Superior Court Ms. Maria Rhinehart

#### 4. Subcommittee Reports

- a. Program & Development
  - Pre Trial Updates
- b. Budget & Fiscal

#### 5. Presentations

a. New Creations Update

#### 6. Discussion & Action Item(s):

- a. Discussion / Approval for the conversion of one (1) Deputy Probation Officer Limited Term to Regular Full Time.
- b. Discussion/Approval for the Foundations in Recovery AB109 Amendment
- c. Discussion regarding the FY 22/23 CCP budget

#### 7. Agency Updates, Informational Item(s), Announcements

- a. Imperial County Sheriff's Office
- b. Imperial County Behavioral Health
- c. Imperial County Probation Department
- d. Geo Group
- e. SMART Recovery
- f. Additional Updates
- 8. Public Comment Members of the public may speak at this time on any issues of interest to the Community Corrections Partnership (CCP). Due to COVID-19, if any member of the public wishes to observe the meeting or speak they must do so through the provided telecommunication line. Questions & comments may also be emailed to <a href="mailto:joseramirez@co.imperial.ca.us">joseramirez@co.imperial.ca.us</a> to be read during this period.
- 9. Adjournment / Next Meeting

Meeting Minutes January 27, 2022 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

The Imperial County Community Corrections Partnership & Executive Board met through the telecommunication service Zoom on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.

Members Present: Dan Prince, Maria Rhinehart, Brian Johnson, Raymond Loera, Veronica Rodriguez

Members Absent: Gilbert G. Otero, Ben Salorio

Guests: Aaron Arreola, Don Gorham, Elizabeth Sais, Jose Garcia, Marcus Romero, Oswaldo Guerrero, Leticia

Plancarte, Robert Benavidez, Maria Ruiz, Gabriela Jimenez, Todd Finnell, Carlos Contreras, Jose Ramirez

#### Call to Order:

Chief Probation Officer Dan Prince welcomed the attending committee members and guests. Chief Prince called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and Mr. Jose Luis Ramirez conducted roll call. A quorum was present at the meeting; five of the seven Executive Committee members were in attendance.

#### **Approval of Telecommunication Services:**

After review of the resolution to continue using telecommunication services, Chief Brian Johnson moved to approve the resolution and Ms. Veronica Rodriguez seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Approval of CCP Meeting Minutes:**

After review of the January 27, 2022 minutes, Sheriff Loera moved to approve the minutes; Ms. Maria Rhinehart seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Chair Report:**

Chief Prince introduced the Probation Department's new Business Manager, Marcus Romero and stated he would be taking over Debbie Angulo's responsibilities once she fully retires from the Department.

#### **Member Reports:**

#### a. Imperial County Sheriff's Office - Sheriff Raymond Loera

Sheriff Loera stated that he did not have any major updates to provide at this time.

#### b. Imperial County Department of Social Services – Veronica Rodriguez

Ms. Rodriguez stated that she had no major updates to provide, but added that the Department is currently in the process of filling in vacancies within the Department to provide better assistance and services. Mr. Rodriguez noted that new staff would allow her Department to provide on-site services at the Day Reporting Center.

#### c. El Centro Police Department – Chief Brian Johnson

Chief Johnson stated that the ECPD is currently working through staffing challenges caused by the recent Covid-19 spike and added that Sgt. Thompson is currently back on the Community Relations unit.

#### d. Imperial County Superior Court - Ms. Maria Rhinehart

Ms. Rhinehart stated that she had no major updates to provide, but reported that Judge Quan is now the Presiding Judge.

#### **Subcommittee Reports:**

#### a. Program & Development

Mr. Oswaldo Guerrero provided updates on Pretrial Services for the Probation Department and stated that there are currently 4 Deputy Probation Officers assigned to the unit and are currently monitoring 32 individuals through the Pretrial Services Unit either in person or over the phone. Mr. Guerrero added that in January the Department received 41 Humphrey's Assessment requests.

#### b. Training

Ms. Elizabeth Sais reported that the Training Subcommittee met earlier in the month to discuss the Sheriff's Office AJA Conference item and voted to bring it to the Budget & Fiscal subcommittee.

#### c. Budget & Fiscal

Chief Prince stated that Ms. Angulo was unable to attend today's meeting, but noted that the Budget and Fiscal Subcommittee met earlier in the month and approved the Sheriff's Office training item which will be discussed later to be voted on by the Executive Committee.

#### **Presentations**

#### a. ICOE Charter School Update

Mr. Jose Garcia reported on the Day Reporting Center Charter School on behalf of the ICOE and stated that this there are currently 18 people enrolled in the program and recently had 4 students graduate from the program. Mr. Garcia stated that the Charter School evaluates with participants and works with them to create individual plans that can help them determine the best way to obtain their diploma or GED and added that once the students have met their requirements for graduation, the program will normally celebrate with graduation ceremony that is held in June. Mr. Garcia shared a story of a recent participant who was 65 years of age and who used the Charter School to obtain their high school diploma.

Sgt. Arreola thanked Mr. Garcia for all the work and assistance he has provided in helping the in-custody inmates get their high school diplomas, and stated that ICSO recently had a booked individual that was able to obtain their diploma through this program. Chief Prince agreed with Sgt. Arreola's statements and also thanked Mr. Garcia for his work.

#### **Discussion / Action Item(s):**

a. Discussion / Approval for the Imperial County Sheriff's Office staff to attend the American Jail Association (AJA) Conference & Expo held in Long Beach, California on May 21 – 25, 2022.

Sgt. Arreola presented this item on behalf of the Sheriff's Office and stated that the agency was asking for support to send eight ICSO staff members to this event. Sgt. Arreola noted that they do not normally request this many people to attend these types of events, but due to the conference's location, the agency wanted to take advantage and try to get as many staff members the opportunity to attend. Sgt. Arreola added that the AJA Conferences are one of the ways the agency keeps updated and informed about new policies and practices that will affect California and noted that this conference would also be a good opportunity for other CCP partners to attend as well. Sgt. Arreola noted that the estimated costs on the attachment for this item are for 10 attendees, but ICSO had wanted to amend the request for just 8 members to attend. Sgt. Arreola also stated that the pricing would be based off the normal registration fee and not the early bird registration amount.

Chief Johnson stated that the ECPD has also sent staff members to AJA conference events in the past and staff members have found them very beneficial to attend. Chief Johnson requested 2 additional spots for the ECPD.

Chief Prince asked if other CCP partners would like to request spots for this item and received no additional requests to attend the conference. Chief Prince stated that with the 8 from ICSO and 2 from ECPD, then the Executive Committee could approve this item based on the provided estimated costs provided by ICSO.

Chief Prince motioned to approve this item for 10 participants; Sheriff Loera seconded the motion; the motioned approved unanimously and carried.

#### Agency Updates, Informational Item(s), and Announcements

#### a. Imperial County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Loera stated that Chief Thomas Garcia would be retiring in March and Chief Robert Benavidez would be taking his place in the subcommittees.

#### b. Imperial County Behavioral Health Services

Ms. Leticia Plancarte stated that ICBHS has also been impacted by the recent Covid-19 surge and have been utilizing telecommute schedules since the year started, but are still providing in person care in certain circumstances.

Ms. Maria Ruiz stated that for December the agency provided MRT services for 17 inmates, 12 males and 5 females, and generated 19 referrals to Mental Health Services at the jail. Ms. Ruiz added that the Mr. Jimenez at the DRC currently has 31 active cases who are currently receiving Mental Health services. Ms. Ruiz reported that the Crisis Core Response Team will be expanding, and is in the process of adding additional teams that can provide mental health services in the emergency rooms for 5150 cases. Ms. Ruiz added that the CCRT was able to divert 90% of the calls they received regarding 5150 cases.

Ms. Gabriela Jimenez reported about the AB 109 Program, and stated they had admitted 18 clients referred from the Probation Department, 3 AB 109 clients were admitted to residential treatment services, and 5 of the 6 Foundations in Recovery beds are in use. Ms. Jimenez added that they also received 12 court ordered assessments for people in-custody and the Department has been working closely with the jail to provide prescreening for clients before they are released in order to connect them to SUD services.

#### c. Geo Group

Mr. Carlos Contreras stated that GEO is also currently dealing with the Covid-19 surge and has started providing packets that participants can pick up and complete at home. Mr. Contreras added that participants that are coming into the DRC have noticed the fence removal and have let him know that the DRC looks more open and inviting.

#### d. SMART Recovery

Mr. Don Gorham stated that due to recent Covid-19 surge, SMART has shut down all its face-to-face groups, except in Salton City, and is now directing participants to their Zoom sessions which are held throughout the week.

#### e. Imperial County Office of Education

Mr. Todd Finnel stated that ICOE is working hard to keep their schools staying open due to recent staff shortages and are working through Covid-19 as best as they can. Chief Prince added that he is glad to have Mr. Lara serving at the Juvenile Hall and he has been very critical in providing services.

#### **Public Comment:**

There were no public comments made at this meeting.

#### **Adjournment:**

Chief Prince adjourned the meeting 10:10 a.m. The next CCP Executive Board meeting would be scheduled to occur on February 24, 2022 at 9:30 am.



### **COUNTY OF IMPERIAL**

## PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

JANETTE ANGULO, M.P.A.

Director

STEPHEN W. MUNDAY, M.D., M.P.H., M.S.

Health Officer

Recommendation Regarding Continued Remote Public Meetings of Governmental Entities in Imperial County.

Issued: September 29, 2021

In light of the continued state of emergency related to COVID-19, the Imperial County Health Officer continues to recommend that public bodies meet remotely to the extent possible, specifically including use of newly enacted Assembly Bill 361 to maintain remote meetings under the Ralph M. Brown Act and similar laws.

Among other reasons, this recommendation is made due to the continued threat of COVID-19 to the community, the unique characteristics of public governmental meetings (such as the increased mixing associated with bringing together people from across the community, the need to enable those who are immunocompromised or unvaccinated to be able to safely continue to fully participate in public governmental meetings, and the challenges with fully ascertaining and ensuring compliance with vaccination and other safety recommendations at such meetings), and the continued increased safety protection that social distancing provides as one means by which to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission.

The Imperial County Health Officer will continue to evaluate this recommendation on an ongoing basis, and will communicate when there is no longer such a recommendation with respect to meetings for public bodies.

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Stephen Munday, M.D., MPH

Health Officer

#### February 24, 2022

Imperial County Community Corrections Partnership Executive Committee 324 Applestill Road El Centro, CA 92243

#### **Subject:**

Discussion and approval for the continued use of telecommunication services and remote meetings based on current circumstances and local guidelines for a 30-day period. (AB 361)

#### **Background:**

On September 16, 2021, Governor Newsom signed into law Assembly Bill 361, a law that enables local public agencies to continue using teleconferencing without complying with certain Brown Act requirements. This bill is to be effective on October 1, 2021.

On September 29, 2021, the Imperial County Public Health Officer recommended that Imperial County continue remote public meetings of governmental entities (attached.)

On October 5, 2021, the Imperial County Board of Supervisors approved the adoption of a resolution that authorized the continued use of remote meetings for a period of 30 days.

Based on AB 361, if the proclaimed state of emergency remains and a local agency wishes to continue holding meetings in compliance with AB 361, action by the governing body must be reconsidered every 30 days by a majority vote.

#### **Requested Action:**

Adopt resolution of the <u>CCP Executive Committee</u> authorizing remote teleconference meetings for the period in accordance with the provisions of AB 361.

# RESOLUTION OF THE <u>CCP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</u> OF THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AUTHORIZING REMOTE MEETINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF STATE ASSEMBLY BILL 361.

WHEREAS, the Community Corrections Partnership is committed to preserving and nurturing public access and participation in meetings of the CCP Executive Committee; and

WHEREAS, with the adoption of State Assembly Bill 361 ("AB 361"), section 54963(e) of the California Government Code was amended to make provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a local legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of 54953(b)(3) of the California government Code, subject to the existence of certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, a required condition is that a state of emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to section 8625 of the California Government Code, proclaiming the existence of conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of person and property within the state caused by conditions as described in section 8558 of the California Government Code; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor proclaimed pursuant to his authority under 8625 of the California Government Code, that a state of emergency exists with regard to the novel coronavirus (a disease now known as COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, on June 4, 2021, the Governor clarified that the "reopening" of California on June 15, 2021 did not include any change to the proclaimed state of emergency or the powers exercised thereunder; and

WHEREAS, as of the date of this Resolution, neither the Governor nor the Legislature have exercised their respective powers pursuant to 8629 of the California Government Code to lift the state of emergency, either by proclamation or by concurrent resolution in the State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Local Health Officer for the County of Imperial has recommended that the local legislative bodies that are subject to the Brown Act continue to meet remotely when possible, and that social distancing continues to provide a means by which to reduce the transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the <u>CCP Executive Committee</u> believes that it is in the best interest of the public to continue holding remote meetings during the existing state of emergency in accordance with the requirements of AB 361.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the CCP Executive Committee resolves as follows:

- (1) The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.
- (2) A proclaimed state of emergency exists as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- (3) The Local Health Officer recommends that all local legislative bodies that are subject to the Brown Act continue to meet remotely when possible, and that social distancing continues to provide a means by which to reduce the transmission of COVID-19.
- (4) The meeting organizer for the <u>CCP Executive Committee</u> is hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution, including implementing social distancing measures at meetings, and conducting meetings in accordance with section 54953(e) of the California Government Code, and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

earlier of thirty (30) days from adoption of the	mediately upon its adoption, and shall be effective until the he Resolution or such time the <u>CCP Executive Committee</u> it may continue to meet remotely without compliance Government Code.
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
	DAN PRINCE Chair, CCP Executive Committee
ATTEST:	
JOSE LUIS RAMIREZ Committee Secretary, CCP Executive Committee	

#### **COUNTY OF IMPERIAL**

**DAN PRINCE Chief Probation Officer** 

**ELIZABETH V. SAIS Assistant Chief Probation Officer** 



PROBATION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE HALL

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February 8, 2022

TO: CCP Budget/Fiscal Committee

FROM: Probation, Debbie Angulo Business Manager

Subject: Request Board Approval of Convert Deputy Probation Officer Limited Term to Regular.

Dear Board Members,

#### **Requested Action:**

It is respectfully requested that the Board take the following actions:

- 1) Approval to proceed with the conversion of a Deputy Probation Officer from limited term to regular.
- 2) Approval to proceed with Human Resources as steps to follow to accomplish conversion.

#### Background:

On December 16, 2014, minute order 22D Imperial County Board of Supervisors approved the additional of one limited term Deputy Probation to be allocated to Community Corrections (AB109) unit. The current position continues to cover the non, non,nons sentenced to local custody, post release community supervision, and parole violators in county jail. Probation will work with Human Resources to present to BOS for final conversion.

#### Fiscal Impact:

There will be no fiscal impact to the AB109 funding. The Deputy Probation Officer position currently allocated at cost of \$ 118,179.07.



#### IMPERIAL COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

#### IMPERIAL COUNTY COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PARTNERHIP (CCP)

#### FY 2021-2022 PROPOSED AB109 BUDGET

#### DETAIL NARRATIVE

#### TRANSFERS

OBJECT CODE	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION	FY 20/21 PROPOSED BUDGET	
552080	Transfer In	AB109 CCP Funding	\$	565,542
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#### Revised Budget

DESCRIPTION		FY 20/21 PROPOSED BUDGET		
AB109 CCP Funding	\$	565,542		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$	565,542		

EXPENSES

OBJECT CODE	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION	FY 20/21 PROPOSED BUDGET	
Various	Various	Clare Matrix AB109	\$	100,000
		Smart Recovery - Hugo M. Jimenez	\$	61,747
		Foundations in Recovery	\$	152,568
		Psychiatric Social Worker III (BH/Sheriffs) Vacant	\$	102,269
		Volunteer of America Treatment & Education AB109	\$	75,000
		Transportation AB109 Probationers	\$	73,958
TOTAL SERVICES & SUPPLIES				

Amendment (23,432) \$

Amendment

23,432

\$

Clare Matrix AB109 Smart Recovery - Hugo M. Jimenez Foundations in Recover Psychiatric Social Worker III (BH/Sheriffs) Vacan Volunteer of America Treatment & Education AB109 Transportation AB109 Probationer

DESCRIPTION

TOTAL SERVICES & SUPPLIES \$

565,542

FY 20/21 PROPOSED BUDGET

100,000

61,747

176,000

102,269

75,000

50,526

FY 20/21 PROPOSED BUDGET TOTAL TRANSFER IN \$ (565,542) TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 565,542 (0)