



# COUNTY OF KINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Catherine Venturella, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

## AGENDA ITEM

June 26, 2012

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### SUBMITTED BY:

**Probation Department – Steve Brum  
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### SUBJECT:

**LOCAL PLANS RELATED TO AB 109 AND AB 117 - PUBLIC SAFETY  
REALIGNMENT**

### SUMMARY:

#### **Overview:**

On June 6, 2012, the Kings County Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) Committee met and approved the proposed local plans for the implementation of the 2012 Public Safety Realignment (AB 109, AB 117). The attached proposed plans are recommended for adoption by your Board.

#### **Recommendation:**

**Adopt the 2012 Proposed Public Safety Realignment Plans in relation that were approved by the Kings County Community Corrections Partnership Committee.**

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

Kings County is projected to receive program funding in the amount of \$6,040,871 and \$116,207 for District Attorney/Public Defender activities related to parole revocations for a total of \$6,157,078 for FY 2012/13. If these plans are adopted by your Board then staff will bring back necessary staffing and appropriation adjustments during the FY 2012/13 Final Budget hearings.

### BACKGROUND:

As a result of the State budget, AB 109 and AB 117 were passed in 2011, where counties, on October 1, 2011, assumed new corrections responsibilities for people convicted of certain non-serious, non-violent, and non-sexual felonies. Counties assumed new community supervision and reentry assistance for people after they are

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BOARD ACTION:

APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED:  OTHER:

**ROLL CALL: NEVES, VERBOON, VALLE, BARBA, FAGUNDES - AYE**

I hereby certify that the above order was passed  
and adopted on 06/26/2012.

CATHERINE VENTURELLA, Clerk to the Board

By \_\_\_\_\_, Deputy.

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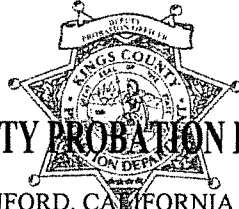
released from prison and jail. It is projected that local criminal justice responsibilities will continue to increase for at least the next three years.

Realignment amended Penal Code 1230 to include the establishment of a Community Corrections Partnership; this Partnership consists of the Chief Probation Officer as Chair, a Police Chief, the Sheriff and District Attorney, the Public Defender and the Presiding Judge or his or her designee.

Realignment plans are geared towards effective investment of criminal justice resources in evidence-based correctional sanctions and programs, including, but not limited to, day reporting centers, drug courts, residential multiservice centers, mental health treatment programs, electronic and GPS monitoring programs, victim restitution programs, counseling programs, community services programs, educational programs, and work training programs. The table below shows a summary of Realignment components and local plans.

<b>Population Affected</b>	<b>Component of Public Safety Realignment</b>	<b>Local Plan</b>
<b>Release from State Prison</b>	State prisoners serving sentences for non-violent, non-serious and non-sex offenses with one of these offenses in their criminal history will be placed on county post-release community supervision instead of state parole. The Court will adjudicate violations of county post-release community supervision.	The Probation Department is designated as the administrator of county post-release community supervision.
<b>On State Parole</b>	Violations of State Parole will be adjudicated by Board of Parole hearings inside the County Jail.	The Sheriff will provide a venue for Parole Board hearings.
<b>Currently Held Pretrial in County Jail</b>	Certain inmates may be released pre-trial on electronic monitoring.	The Sheriff is designated as administrator of electronic monitoring for pre-trial inmates.
<b>Currently Sentenced in County Jail</b>	Certain sentenced inmates may be placed on home detention.	The Sheriff and Probation designated as administrators of electronic monitoring for sentenced inmates.
<b>Measures and Outcomes</b>	Establish outcome measures related to local incarceration inmates and post-release community supervision populations (per AB109).	The Probation Department is designated to develop research design, collect data, and report on outcomes associated with AB109.
<b>Evidence Based Practices and Treatment</b>	Each of the involved agencies, including those participating in the Community Corrections Partnership, will support and/or assist in the implementation of the following activities, practices, and efforts.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Flash Incarceration</li><li>- Alternative Sanctions</li><li>- Vocational Training</li><li>- Educational Training</li><li>- Specialized Courts</li><li>- MH &amp; AOD Services</li></ul>

Attachments included: Realignment Plans adopted by the CCP on June 6, 2012.



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## PROBATION AB109 PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012/2013

### EMS (ELECTRONIC MONITORING SYSTEM)

It is our wish to increase the use of the Electronic Monitoring Program. We currently serve about 100 inmates and want to expand it to 150, further relieving jail population beds. To do this we will need extra staff and go to a seven day operation each week. To accomplish this we will need one Electronic Monitoring Technician position added.

### PRCS (POST RELEASE COMMUNITY SUPERVISION)

As we continue to receive high numbers of released inmates, we will need two additional Probation Officers to handle the caseloads at the stipulated ratio of 53 to 1.

### NTF (NARCOTICS TASK FORCE)

After not having the budget to keep a Probation Officer working narcotics for over five years, and with a great deal of the returnees on the PRCS Caseload being supervised for drug offenses, we now feel there is a good reason to support the task force by adding one Probation Officer. With an officer at NTF, we can have much more access for searches, etc. as conditions of release. This prevents the need for search warrants when time is a factor.

### COURT INVESTIGATORS

As a result of the law changes coming from AB109, we have seen an influx of Court Ordered reports for various reasons. To handle this influx, we are asking for two more Court Investigators.

### VICTIM/WITNESS

With an influx of Court appearances, we are asking for .75 full-time Advocate to cover more court time serving victims in the County.

This plan adds 7.75 new employees. The cost and all equipment necessary for an officer starting work is calculated into the \$1.4 million for this budget year. This request of the CCP also keeps all of the previous year plans in tact, as well.

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AB 109 Realignment Plan 2012/2013

**GOAL:**

Continue the plan approved by the CCP and BOS for 2011/2012 fiscal year, by monitoring inmate increases, reduce inmate early releases and find ways to house inmates in other facilities or alternative sentencing programs. We will also monitor and adjust staffing levels as needed with the Kings County Board of Supervisors.

**PLANNING:**

Through the first several months of the AB109 plan implementation, the Kings County Sheriff's Office has worked closely with the Kings County Probation Department and our own alternative sentencing division to keep our inmate population within the facility manageable. The Kings County Jail is rated for 361 inmates, but as of today (May 29th, 2012) there are 473 inmates in the facility. We are able to accommodate more inmates through the use of temporary beds. These temporary beds however are now full and inmate early releases have increased dramatically. Temporary housing creates an undue burden on staff and exposes the County of Kings to increased liabilities.

In 2011 there were 31 early releases of inmates. As of today (May 29th, 2012) there have been 300 early releases. This number would be significantly higher if it were not for the continued efforts of local agencies including Police Departments, Parole, Probation and the Courts to reduce the number of inmates who are brought in for bookings, i.e. citation releases, book and releases, and other methods of accountability.

The Jail has reached its capacity and we must find other ways to hold inmates accountable, while reducing the number of early releases. We are putting the community at risk each time an early release occurs and an inmate is allowed to return to the community without serving his/her full sentence. Property crimes are increasing and other violent crimes may soon follow. In this year the Kings County Sheriff's Office will aggressively pursue other incarceration options such as contracting inmates out to other facilities, sending inmates to work in state run fire camps, house inmates in drug treatment facilities, etc.

## STAFFING:

My Office will work closely with the Board of Supervisors for position allocation, and funding all the needs associated with staff adjustments, including vehicle and equipment. In the CCP plan for the 2011/2012 fiscal year staffing needs were initially addressed for the Sheriff's Office, Probation and other departments impacted directly by Realignment. We may need some minor staff adjustments. One staffing area specific to the Kings County Sheriff's Office will be in the transportation unit. When contracting inmates out to other facilities or housing options, inmates will need to be transferred to and from these locations. Additional staffing may be necessary and may include other county departments with a nexus to the new influx of inmates caused by AB109.

## FUTURE PLANS:

The future plans from the 2011/2012 CCP plan remain unchanged.

Live-in drug treatment programs will be essential to help reduce overcrowding in the jail. A future facility for drug treatment is an option that will be heavily considered. The Kings County Sheriff's Office is committed to being an initial step toward rehabilitation of drug offenders, while still maintaining accountability.

Programs such as work release, fire camp, and community service will need to be expanded which may include the hiring of personnel to operate the programs.

Build out of Phase II of the Kings County Jail is in the initial stages and we are pleased to have been selected to receive funding of 33 million dollars towards the project under AB900. We must continue our efforts to find funding sources for Phase III of the plan.

## CONCLUSION:

Now that we have several months of data to draw from, some immediate conclusions can be made. We are receiving and early releasing more inmates than we would like to. Due to our early release explosion, the Probation Departments PRCS program has gone beyond the four year projections.

Once again, this plan is not all inclusive. We will continue to monitor and adjust inmate population challenges in the upcoming year.