

SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) Plan Implementation

In FY 2011-12, 2012-13 and or 2013-14 identify the community corrections programs and or services implemented (e.g. program or service was operational) by CCP agencies (e.g. Probation Department, Sheriff's Department, Department of Public Health, etc.).

- In February 2012 the Board of Supervisors (BOS) approved \$325,000 for 25 housing vouchers designated for AB 109 clients, specifically for those under probation supervision. The housing voucher provides rental subsidy up to \$1,000 per month for six months with one additional six month renewal. Since the program began in July 2012, 31 AB 109 individuals received a housing voucher. As part of the FY 2013-14 approved budget, the BOS extended the initial Rental Assistance Program to a second year and allocated a one-time reserve of \$4 million from the FY 2012-13 AB 109 fund balance towards housing projects.
- After a five month strategic planning effort the BOS unanimously approved a Five-Year Adult Reentry Strategic Plan to focus on five service areas, including education. The goal is to increase educational opportunities for moderate' and high-risk offenders while in-custody and in the community. Based on the results of county-wide request for proposals the BOS approved a contract with Milpitas Adult Education to provide educational assessment, GED preparation and testing, adult literacy, computer literacy and career counseling to 450 male and female inmates and ex-offender adults assessed as being at a medium to high risk to re-offend.

Describe an accomplishment or highlight (as defined by the CCP) achieved in FY 2011-12 and or 2012-13.

In FY 2013-14 the Santa Clara County established the Office of Reentry Services (ORS) to support and coordinate all efforts for individuals transitioning from incarceration back into the community. ORS assumed responsibility for the operation of the Re-Entry Resource Center (RRC). At the RRC the Probation Department conducts assessments and the Sheriff's Department operates custody alternative programs. The Multi-Agency Program Team (MAP Team) provides treatment assessments and generates referrals to services. The RRC offers emergency services, such as clothing and food, to meet the immediate needs of individuals reentering the community.

The Re-Entry Multi-Agency Program (MAP) is a multi-disciplinary team that provides assessment and transitional wraparound services, including custody health, mental health, drugs and alcohol services, peer mentoring, general assistance, housing and transitional case management. MAP was developed to assess service needs and formulate a delivery model that would facilitate interagency coordination and provide effective re-entry services for incarcerated adults exiting prison and jail settings. The RRC pairs necessary health and hospital agencies with adult probation in order to reduce recidivism by developing re-entry plans for individuals transitioning from incarceration.

The MAP Team has been in operation since February 2012 at the RRC and has assessed and connected 453 individuals to needed services. Many of the individuals who are receiving services are finding something they have not previously experienced in the cycle of incarceration— people who are reaching out with helping hands. At its core the MAP is equipped to address issues that contribute to the cycle of incarceration. The County is working proactively to reduce recidivism, and on a daily basis the MAP Team serves clients who are taking steps to change their lives. Clients are undertaking career development, finding employment, addressing addiction and mapping their road to long-term recovery. Santa Clara County is leading the way implementing one of the region's strongest justice re-alignment programs with credit due to a variety of participating agencies.

Describe a local success story (as defined by the CCP).

Offender A has been in and out of county jail and prison since 1972. “I was wild on the street and did crazy stuff to support my heroin...but I paid the price by going to prison,” said Offender A. With the passage of AB 109 Offender A was one of the individuals eligible for release back into the County of Santa Clara. “People told me about AB 109 but I couldn’t believe it. I couldn’t believe I was eligible. I never had a chance to be in a program. It was always jail time for me.” Offender A is now 64 years old and was released a month ago to community supervision. “When I got out, I didn’t have anything. My wife passed away while I was in prison. All my properties were in her name. I lost everything I had. When I saw my probation officer I told him I will do whatever he told me to do.” Offender A's probation officer referred him to the Reentry Resource Center, where he met Jose Garcia, a peer mentor who connected him to housing, general assistance benefits and a drug treatment program. Offender A has been clean and sober for two years. On a weekly basis he goes to his drug treatment program and shares his recovery stories with others. It has been more than a month since Offender A has been released. He is getting a second chance for a new beginning. “I am doing things I never thought I would. If I had been in a program earlier in life I would have changed direction. I am thankful for all the good people out there who are helping me,” said Offender A. Santa Clara County partners quickly developed a comprehensive assessment and service delivery model for the realignment population. Thus far data indicates the County has maintained a low re-arrest/re-offense rate for this population.

For FY 2011-12, 2012-13 and 2013-14 rank the priority areas^ of the CCP on a scale from 1 to 9. A rank of 1 indicates that area was the HIGHEST priority (as defined by the CCP) and a rank of 9 indicates that area was the LOWEST priority (as defined by the CCP).

FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14*
1. Staffing	1. Staffing	1. Health
2. Data	2. Data	2. Data
3. Health	3. Health	3. Staffing
4. Day Reporting	4. Day Reporting	4. Day Reporting
5. Risk Assessment	5. Risk Assessment	5. Staff Training
6. Staff Training	6. Staff Training	6. Risk Assessment
7. Medical	7. Medical	7. Medical
8. Law Enforcement	8. Law Enforcement	8. Law Enforcement
9. GPS	9. GPS	9. GPS

^Priority areas are representative of the information counties included in the FY 2011-12 and 2012-13 CCP plans and the information BSCC received from counties and published in the *report 2011 Public Safety Realignment Act: Report on the Implementation of Community Corrections Partnership Plans*.

Priority areas: Day Reporting Center, Data (e.g. data identification, collection, analysis, etc.), GPS/Electronic Monitoring, Staff Training (e.g. Probation Dept., District Attorney’s Office, etc.), Local Law Enforcement (municipal police), Public Health/Mental Health (e.g. substance abuse, treatment, etc.), Medical Related Costs, Risk Assessment Instruments (COMPAS, STRONG, etc.), and Staffing (e.g. Victim Witness Advocate, Deputy Sheriff, Deputy Probation Officer, etc.).

*FY 2013-14: During the first two years of Public Safety Realignment a significant focus has been on staffing and ensuring staffing levels were sufficient to serve the population. Although this area is still a focus, staffing is beginning to level out with respect to creating new positions and hiring. The more direct focus is service delivery, specifically substance abuse, mental health services and staff training, which is imperative to being successful in the local service delivery model.