

# AB 109 PLAN 2023 UPDATE

Assembly Bill 109 California Public Safety Realignment Act of 2011

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### **Executive Summary**

Sacramento County's 2023 AB 109 Plan Update addresses the goals of the Public Safety Realignment Act by:

- Providing custodial housing for individuals diverted from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to Sacramento County jail facilities;
- Providing community supervision to the AB 109 population through Sacramento County's Probation Department; and
- Providing evidence-based treatment and support services to both the AB 109 Population and other eligible persons in various stages of involvement with Sacramento County's justice system, including pretrial and post-conviction.

All evidence-based treatment and support services eligible under this plan are designed to achieve one or more of the following goals:

- 1) Decreasing the use of jail housing through the expansion of community-based treatment and support services;
- 2) Reducing recidivism and returns to custody; and
- 3) Maintaining and improving community safety.

Recognizing resource limitations, the 2023 Plan Update prioritizes the programs that offer treatment and services through partnerships with County agencies and community-based organizations to enable the release of those from custody who can be safely supported through community resources. Additionally, the Plan seeks to provide treatment and services to prepare those in custody for stable reentry into the community.

The 2023 Plan Update draws upon the input and feedback received from the community through Community Corrections Partnership and Community Corrections Partnership Advisory Board meetings and workshops and dedicated outreach to the justice-involved community. The 2023 Plan Update also reflects a streamlined format designed to improve readability and accessibility and clarifies eligibility of programs and services.

The Plan grants eligibility for reimbursement to programs and services within three categories:

- A. Eligible Programs and Services Limited to the AB 109 Population to Address Legislative Impacts of Realignment
- B. Eligible Programs and Services Supporting the County's Justice-Involved Population
- C. Additional Eligible Programs and Services as Determined by the CCP

Programs and services in Category B are listed in priority order. The prioritization is designed to assist the County in prioritizing growth requests for the upcoming budget year, should additional funding become available.

Programs listed in each category include a description of services, the entities (departments, agencies, or organizations) who are potentially eligible for reimbursement for these services, and any restrictions on reimbursement including calculations and quarterly claiming requirements. Recipient programs are also expected to complete annual program evaluations that provide demographic and outcome data.

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## Background

In 2011, the State of California enacted the AB 109 Public Safety Realignment Act. This Act diverts the custody housing and supervision of offenders convicted of certain state prison offenses to the local county level. Realignment legislation also directs the State to give counties a portion of sales tax and vehicle license fee revenue to fund the new responsibilities realigned from the state to the counties. To receive the funding, counties are required to have a Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) that creates and oversees an AB 109 Realignment Implementation Plan (AB 109 Plan) identifying programs to address responsibilities for realigned offenders going through the local justice continuum. Sacramento County's current CCP membership is attached as Appendix A.

AB 109 funds support a broad range of public safety activities, as long as they are in agreement with the AB 109 Plan. Funds may not be used to supplant other funding for Public Safety Services. Public Safety Services are defined by Government Code Section 30025(h) as:

- 1. Employing public safety officials, prosecutors, public defenders, and court security staff.
- 2. Managing local jails, housing and treating youthful offenders, and providing services for, and overseeing the supervised release of offenders.
- 3. Preventing child abuse, providing services to children who are abused, neglected, or exploited, providing services to vulnerable children and their families, and providing adult protective services.
- 4. Providing mental health services to children and adults in order to reduce failure in school, harm to themselves and others, homelessness, and preventable incarceration.
- 5. Preventing, treating, and providing recovery services for alcohol and drug abuse.

Sacramento County has made many system improvements pursuant to a Long-Term AB 109 Plan established in 2014; however, in 2020, the state began requiring annual updates to the AB 109 Plan. Annual Plan updates are due to the Board of State and Community Corrections by December 15 of each year and must be adopted by the CCP and accepted by the County Board of Supervisors prior to submission.

In 2021, Sacramento County developed a Community Corrections Partnership Advisory Board (CCPAB) to recommend annual updates to the AB 109 Plan. Sacramento County's current CCP membership is attached as Appendix B. The CCPAB reflects the County's commitment to improving communication among the community and system partners to better inform and engage stakeholders in planning and developing future AB 109 Plans designed to meet the needs of the community. Both the CCP and CCPAB meetings provide a forum for increasing communication between the community and system partners. The CCPAB meets monthly while the CCP meets every other month. Both meetings are livestreamed to maximize community engagement, and the CCPAB provides supplemental opportunities for community input through periodic workshops.

#### Priorities and Goals

In seeking to maintain community safety, reduce recidivism, and reduce use of jail housing, the AB 109 Plan prioritizes programs that offer treatment and services through partnerships with County agencies and community-based organizations to enable the release of those from custody who can be safely supported through community resources. Additionally, the Plan permits the use of AB 109 funding to provide treatment and services to prepare those in custody for stable reentry into the community.

# Decrease Use of Jail Housing by Expanding Community-Based Treatment and Support Services

Sacramento County has taken on several interconnected efforts over the years to understand, address, and reduce the amount of contact people have with the jail. The County's commitment to the Stepping Up Initiative, development of its <u>Sequential Intercept Model (SIM)</u>, and the expansion of resources for diversion programs and collaborative courts demonstrate a commitment to assisting those with behavioral health conditions in seeking treatment and support services to prevent further justice involvement and time in custody.

In 2022, the County further committed to numerous jail population reduction strategies aimed at deflecting initial entry into jail facilities, reducing the length of stay in custody, and reducing returns to custody. The goal of decreasing use of jail housing will be measured and monitored using:

- Jail Profile Data reported by SSO to BSCC: Booking Totals, Average Daily Population, Unsentenced vs Sentenced ADP, Length of Stay (Source: BSCC)
- Deflection data where individuals are connected to community-based treatment resources instead of jail (Source: local law enforcement and Department of Health Services)
- Data on alternative sentencing programs electronic monitoring, work release, etc. (Source: Sheriff's Office)
- Data related to pretrial monitoring (Source: Probation Department)
- Data from diversion and collaborative court programs (Source: Superior Court/District Attorney)

#### Reduce Recidivism and Returns to Custody

The <u>Sacramento County Jail Study</u> by O'Connell Research indicated that readmission is a key driver of the County's average daily jail population, with data from 2021 revealing 60% of those released returning to jail within two years and nearly 70% of population comprised of individuals who have been in before. To make progress toward reducing the jail population, programs should address underlying drivers of crime and equip those involved in the justice system for stable reentry. The goal of reducing recidivism and returns to custody will be measured and monitored using:

- Countywide recidivism measure aligned with the BSCC definition to the extent possible based on
  data tracking methodology possible with existing data systems. For Sacramento County, due to
  data limitations, recidivism rates will reflect 1) the date of arrest as the date of the offense and
  2) focus on local collection data. Additionally, this excludes records of arrests and prosecutions
  (RAP) data from other jurisdictions. (Source: Reports to be developed with the Criminal Justice
  Cabinet's IJIS Technology Committee through work with consultants)
- Parolee and PRCS Bookings (Source: Sheriff's Office and Probation Department)
- Program-specific reporting on returns to custody (Source: Agencies receiving AB 109 funds)

#### Maintain and Improve Community Safety

Sacramento County desires for its residents to have safe places in which to live, work, play and fully participate in all activities of daily life free of violence or injury. LawInsider describes community safety as a situation in which people, individually and collectively, are sufficiently free from a range of real and perceived risks centering on crime and related misbehavior; are sufficiently able to cope with those risks which they nevertheless experience; or where they cannot cope unaided, are sufficiently well-protected from the consequences of these risks that they can still lead a normal cultural, social and economic life, apply their skills and enjoy well-being and the receipt of adequate services.

The goal of improving and maintaining community safety will be measured and monitored using:

 CA DOJ Crime Data (UCR/NIBRS) – Reported Crime Total and Breakout of Violent, Property and Arson Totals (Source: OpenJustice)

## 2023 Plan Development Process

In developing the AB 109 Plan 2023 Update, the CCP and CCPAB worked to:

- Reformat and streamline the plan to improve readability and use.
- Clarify the inventory of reimbursable program and service expenses and connect eligibility to AB 109 Plan overarching goals.
- Expand community awareness of AB 109 Realignment, the Community Corrections Partnership, and Community Corrections Partnership Advisory Board.
- Conduct dedicated outreach to the justice-involved community to better understand needs and programming challenges.
- Integrate and support Sacramento County's Jail Population Reduction Plans.
- Reconcile the challenges of integrating Plan priorities into County budget process as it relates to AB 109 funding disbursements.
- Provide community with ample opportunities to comment on and inform the plan prior to approval.

#### Restructured Plan and Inventory of Eligible Services

At over 70 pages, prior AB 109 Plan Updates contained a great deal of information. However, the Plan Updates lacked clear direction to agencies for the purpose of planning and reviewing annual budget proposals and submitting quarterly reimbursement claims. Additionally, language that was designed to be inclusive and allow for the development of innovative programs and ideas was, at some points, overly broad and contributed to misunderstandings both internally and externally. Finally, the data and performance metrics outlined in previous iterations of the Plan were not tied to quarterly claiming processes nor required for annual updates, leading to inconsistencies in collection and tracking. The proposed 2023 Plan Update provides clarification about which programs and services are eligible for AB 109 funding in FY 2024-25, describes the funding and reimbursement restrictions associated with each category, and identifies accountability measures tied to quarterly claiming processes and annual program evaluations.

#### **Expanded Community Awareness**

The CCP and CCPAB desired to increase community awareness of realignment, the AB 109 Plan, and its planning entities and processes with the goals of increasing community engagement in public meetings and plan development efforts. To this end, in 2023, the CCPAB moved to a larger meeting space, added

remote meeting participation options, developed and distributed flyers, and hosted and recorded an informational webinar. The CCPAB also planned a community workshop to present the draft of the 2023 Plan Update and receive feedback.

#### Outreach to Justice-Involved Community

The CCPAB aimed to ensure that input from those with lived experience with the justice system and incarceration is valued, considered, and uplifted in developing the AB 109 Plan 2023 Update. The CCPAB used surveys and focus groups to better understand the perspectives of those with current and past justice-involvement related to the following:

- What would have prevented them from becoming involved in the justice system?
- During and after their justice-involvement:
  - O What available programs, services, and supports worked?
  - O What did not work?
  - What types of programs and services, if offered, would have been helpful and impactful?

Surveys were distributed to more than 400 individuals and groups and received from 117 individuals. Eight focus groups were held at various locations including an Adult Day Reporting Center, Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center (RCCC), residential treatment centers, a sober living facility, an outpatient treatment center, and a center providing services to the unhoused community. Among survey respondents, two-thirds identified a personal history of substance use, half expressed experience with financial instability, and nearly half shared an experience with housing instability. More than a quarter of respondents also reported having a disability or physical health condition, living with a mental health condition, having experienced significant trauma, and experience as a crime survivor.

Qualitative analysis of statements provided in the survey and focus groups indicated sobriety, or not using drugs or alcohol, as the top response among those answering the question of what would have prevented their initial justice involvement. Furthermore, several participants stated that nothing would or could have prevented their initial justice involvement. When asked which programs, services, and supports worked and did not work, focus group participants and survey respondents consistently expressed the importance of a justice-involved individual being ready and willing to change their life, behaviors, and habits. Without it, respondents indicated that very few programs and services will yield results and long-term impacts. Respondents also identified that it is difficult to predict when a person will be ready, but it is important to have services available for when they are. Respondents also stressed the importance of programs utilizing staff who are reliable, sincere, and attentive and those with lived experience.

When asked about the additional services that would have improved their experience while incarcerated or supported them upon release, responses included the following:

- Access to treatment, programs, and services regardless of dispositional status (pretrial vs. sentenced)
- Immediate access to substance abuse supportive services and religious services, if desired
- Activities to keep busy/more day room programs
- Access to counseling in addition to medication
- Jobs/career training programs and assistance finding meaningful and stable employment
- Life skill, family, and self-improvement courses
- Nutrition classes and healthy food options

- Education/academic training
- Free/cheap phone calls
- Needs assessments and peer navigators
- Assistance securing safe and affordable housing
- Extend time allowances for transitional housing / sober living environments
- Provide rent assistance
- Help with credit repair
- Transportation assistance
- Access to a clothing closet

Future outreach efforts by the CCPAB could include conducting focus groups with family members of justice-involved individuals and crime survivors, surveys focusing on the AB 109 population, and seeking feedback from justice-involved individuals on specific programs and services offered in Sacramento County. Additional information on the CCPAB's outreach to the justice-involved community is available in archived meeting materials on the CCP website.

#### Alignment with Jail Population Reduction Plans

Sacramento County is subject to a consent decree resulting from *Mays et al. v. County of Sacramento Case No. 2:18-cv-02081* under which a federal court ordered a remedial plan to address unconstitutional conditions of confinement in county jails. The consent decree is monitored by court appointed experts and class counsel. The consent decree includes the following: Segregation and Housing Remedial Plan, Americans with Disability Act Remedial Plan, Suicide Prevention Remedial Plan, Discipline and Use of Force with Mental Health Inmates Remedial Plan, Mental Health Care Remedial Plan, and Medical Care Remedial Plan. COVID-19, insufficient staffing, and old (non-ADA, non-HIPAA compliant) facilities have created challenges to compliance. To move toward compliance, Sacramento County commissioned reports aimed to understand its facility limitations and better understand its population to identify reduction strategies. The <u>Sacramento Jail Study</u> by O'Connell Research indicated that the average daily jail population can be reasonably reduced by approximately 600 over time by implementing strategies to deflect or divert individuals from being booked into and housed in jail, reduce lengths of stay in custody, and reduce returns to custody.

In December 2022, the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors approved 33 Jail Population Reduction Plans designed to implement these strategies. The plans are consistent with the AB 109 Plan goals of 1) Decreasing the use of jail housing through the expansion of community-based treatment and support services; 2) Reducing recidivism and returns to custody; and 3) Maintaining and improving community safety. The Jail Population Reduction Plans also included the development of several working groups related to booking alternatives for law enforcement partners, risk and assessment/screening tools, and the expansion of pretrial and diversion services. As deliverables are produced by the various working groups, these will be shared with the CCPAB and CCP and used to improve future updates to the County's AB 109 Plan.

#### **Budget Process Changes**

Prior to the FY 2021-22 county budget process, the CCP was not required to annually update its AB 109 Plan. As a result, there existed no direct nexus between findings and recommendations in the AB 109 Plan as a basis for the funding distribution budgeted in June and finalized in

September each year. Instead, AB 109 funding has historically been distributed in relatively consistent percentages between its primary recipient agencies (Sheriff's Office, Probation Department, Department of Health Services - Correctional Health Services, and District

Attorney), with small changes from year to year based on agency growth requests. Additionally, the broad language in past iterations of the AB 109 plan provided very few limitations on what agencies could claim. It also lacked requirements to provide information to substantiate workload impacts and demonstrate successful performance.

In processing reimbursement claims for FY 2022-23, staff reviewed each claim for alignment with both the wording and intent of the 2021 AB 109 Plan Update, resulting in changes to anticipated claimable costs for Adult Correctional Health. Next, in developing the 2023-24 Budget, each department currently receiving AB 109 funds was asked to identify the costs needed in FY 23-24 to maintain funded programs at their current status and resource level. These estimates were then provided to the County's Office of Budget and Debt Management. The anticipated expense estimates for maintenance of existing programs as well as State revenue estimates were discussed with the CCP at a public meeting to identify priorities for use of revenue not otherwise accounted for by an existing program. The CCP provided direction to prioritize support for programs and services in the County's Jail Population Reduction Plans.

Agencies seeking funding for growth requests in the FY 23-24 budget were required to identify an associated priority funding category in the 2022 AB 109 Plan Update and the specific Jail Population Reduction Plans that would be supported by the request. This budget process resulted in changes to the allocation percentages for each recipient agency and provided AB 109 funding to the Public Defender's Office for the first time. The FY 23-24 budget process involving AB 109 funding demonstrates an incremental approach toward ensuring annual budgets can adjust to changes in Plan updates and provide greater transparency regarding decisions pertaining to growth requests. The approved growth requests and budget allocations for FY 23-24 are attached as Appendix C.

#### Community Feedback

To ensure that the AB 109 Plan 2023 Update has been by feedback and recommendations from the community, the draft of the Plan was publicly posted for approximately one month prior to seeking consideration from the CCPAB to recommend the Plan be submitted to the CCP for approval. The CCPAB also hosted a Special Meeting to provide and overview of the Plan and allow for additional public input. Written comments received were shared with the CCPAB.

Community feedback was received in the following areas:

- Increase transparency for crisis and respite services
- Prioritize service connections prior to release from custody
- Support a 24/7 receiving center upon release
- Impact and implementation of Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) and CARE Court
- Provide demographic data to measure program and funding allocation success
- Include baseline performance metrics to evaluate cost effectiveness in meeting AB 109 objectives
- Assure seamless coordination of care and services across the criminal justice system
- Ensure culturally appropriate strategies, including trauma or healing informed approaches are responsive to individual needs of populations served

- Collect data on clients served and recidivism rates for each of the following program types:
   Behavioral/Mental Health, Substance Use, Housing, Employment, Education, Family, Domestic
   Violence, Physical Health, and Quality of Life
- Expanding and offering inmates the earliest possible access to rehabilitative programming in custody, such as recreation, socialization, education, and productive engagement, beyond the population traditionally served by the Sheriff's Office Reentry Services to minimize negative impacts of incarceration for all inmates
- Desire to see educational options provided in custody expanded to include college credits and coordination
- Increase efforts for community outreach

To the extent possible, the recommendations received from the community were included in the Plan. Some recommendations, such as transparency around crisis and respite services, implementation of CARE Court and AOT, opportunities for additional rehabilitative programming in custody, and use of trauma or healing informed approaches will require additional discussions and may be included in future updates to the Plan.

# Eligible Programs and Services for FY 2024-25

The following inventory outlines the programs and service categories eligible for reimbursement with AB 109 funds for the FY 2024-25 year. There are three eligible program and service categories:

- A. Eligible Programs and Services Limited to the AB 109 Population to Address Legislative Impacts of Realignment
- B. Eligible Programs and Services Supporting the County's Justice-Involved Population
- C. Additional Eligible Programs and Services as Determined by the CCP

Each program listed includes a description of services, the entities (departments, agencies, or organizations) who are potentially eligible for reimbursement for these services, and any restrictions on reimbursement including calculations and quarterly claiming requirements.

Programs and services in Category B are listed in priority order. The prioritization is designed to assist the County in prioritizing growth requests for the upcoming budget year, should additional funding become available.

Each entity accepting AB 109 funds is expected to provide the CCP Analyst with sufficient information to complete annual State reporting requirements for AB 109 funds. Additionally, once developed, each recipient agency will be required to submit an annual evaluation of AB 109-funded programs in Category B, including outcome data as well as a breakdown of demographic data for program participants, including race/ethnicity, gender, and zip code. Specific metrics that should be included in annual program evaluations are listed in Appendix D. Future funding eligibility is dependent on the successful completion and submission of annual program evaluations.

# A – Eligible Programs and Services Limited to the AB 109 Population to Address Legislative Impacts of Realignment

#### A1. Housing of AB 109 Inmates in County Jail Facilities

**Description:** The Sheriff is responsible for the care and custody of all inmates falling under the jurisdiction of the Sacramento County Court System. Analysis of Main Jail and RCCC inmates has shown AB 109 inmates have represented approximately 12 to 25% of the average daily population and that there has been significant growth in need for psychiatric and other correctional healthcare services since AB 109 went into effect. Because a substantial proportion of inmates housed in the county jail system are AB 109 detainees and have significant service needs, financial support for in-custody services to the realignment offender populations remains an eligible expense.

Goal Alignment: Maintain and improve community safety (compliance with legal mandates)

Reimbursable Entities: Sheriff's Office

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

- Limited to expenses related to housing for the AB 109 population.
- Calculation:
  - Determine the number of jail bed days for AB 109 offenders, including:
    - Parole holds
    - County Jail Prison (CJP) inmates
    - Parole revocations
    - Postrelease Community Supervision (PRCS) flash incarceration bookings
  - o Multiply jail bed days in each facility by the facility's daily jail rate.
  - Calculate the portion of expenses to reimburse for the Sheriff's Office (removing costs associated with Adult Correctional Health).
- Quarterly claims should include the number of days for each inmate type (parole holds, CJP inmates, parole revocations, and PRCS flash incarceration bookings) each month by facility (Main Jail or RCCC) as well as the unique number of AB 109 offenders booked into jail during the quarter by inmate type.

#### A2. Supervision of AB 109 Offenders

**Description:** The Probation Department handles responsibility for traditional and realigned offender populations through an Adult Supervision Model that is a risk-based supervision system. Probation's intake and case management process applies a validated risk assessment tool to target resources to those posing greatest risk to public safety and incentivizing compliance through a step-down approach to supervision that includes front-loading supervision and treatment resources during the earliest period of supervision, when risk of recidivism is highest.

Goal Alignment: Maintain and improve community safety (compliance with legal mandates)

Reimbursable Entities: Probation Department

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

Limited to expenses related to supervision of the AB 109 population.

 Quarterly claims should include the number of employees providing services, the number of unique AB 109 offenders who received supervision services each quarter, and the number of AB 109 offenders ordered to supervision services during the quarter.

#### A3. Correctional Health Services for AB 109 Inmates

**Description:** AB 109 along with other detainees in the jail facilities have exhibited growth in the level of mental health services and physical health services needed. Inmates are receiving mental health services to address crisis counseling, clinical/case management, and medication support needs. Prior to AB 109, only about 18.9% of the jail facilities inmate population required these types of mental health services. As of April 3, 2023, 70% of the inmate population has a mental health diagnosis and received mental health services through incarceration. AB 109 detainees who are identified with mental health-related concerns are referred for clinical assessment and jail psychiatric services provided through the University of California, Davis (UCD) Medical Center contract overseen by the Correctional Health Division of the Department of Health Services. The clinical staff assigned at the Main Jail and RCCC provide both inpatient and outpatient psychiatric services. The services involve crisis counseling, clinical treatment and case management oversight and psychotropic medication support. Correctional Health Staff also conduct intake health screenings and provide other physical health services.

Goal Alignment: Maintain and improve community safety (compliance with legal mandates)

**Reimbursable Entities:** Department of Health Services (Adult Correctional Health); Contractors/Community-Based Organizations (administered by a County department)

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

- Reimbursement is limited to expenses related to correctional health services provided to AB 109 inmates.
- Calculation:
  - Adult Correctional Health costs are reimbursable up to the AB 109 Claimable Rate. The AB 109 Claimable Rate represents the portion of AB 109 inmates booked into Sacramento County jail facilities in comparison to total bookings. To minimize volatility from one year to the next, the AB 109 Claimable Rate is an average of the prior three fiscal years' rates. The CCP analyst will provide Adult Correctional Health with the AB 109 Claimable Rate at the start of each fiscal year.
- Quarterly claims should include the total cost of ACH services multiplied by the AB 109
   Claimable Rate.

# B – Eligible Programs and Services Supporting the County's Justice-Involved Population B1. Reentry Services

**Description:** Reentry Services, administered by the Sheriff's Office, rely on staff and contract service providers knowledgeable in evidence-based programming and treatment models. The reentry process begins with an interview by Sheriff Deputies, an education assessment by Elk Grove Adult Education, and risk/need assessments completed by trained reentry specialists. This process determines education levels and criminogenic needs, as well as identifying post-release needs that may place the individual at risk for reoffending.

Assessments such as the LS/CMI Level of Service and Case Management Inventory (LS/CMI), Texas Christian University - 5 drug screen, Correctional Mental Health Screening Men/Women, University of Rhode Island Change Assessment, and the Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems are used to determine factors that put an individual at risk to reoffend and indicate the motivation for change. Based on the assessments, reentry specialists assist in guiding the development of the individualized case plan with the participant to address those needs and support the acquisition of skills to reduce the individual's recidivism risk.

Reentry specialists work with individuals to complete an exit plan as they get closer to being released from custody. The exit plan includes identifying post-release resources such as medical, food, housing, transportation, continued SUD treatment, and employment preparation, securing personal identification documents necessary for employment, assisting offenders in acquiring basic needs, and assisting with transportation. Reentry specialists understand the challenges of the reentry process and connect individuals with services upon release, in addition to providing post-release case management services for up to one year.

Participants may be evaluated 60 - 90 days before release and assisted by an Eligibility Specialist with the Department of Human Assistance (DHA) to apply for general assistance benefits and other services for unmet needs. Reentry services include evidence-based risk/needs assessments, cognitive behavioral therapy, mental health and substance misuse treatment, job/education assistance, and development of transitional reentry plans.

High Risk Areas targeted include:

- Anti-social attitudes, values, and beliefs
- Anti-social peers
- Behavioral characteristics
- Criminal history
- Family/marital
- Education and employment
- Leisure time
- Substance use

The Sheriff's Office contracts with several community treatment providers to support intensive alcohol and other drug treatment for the Housing for Accountable Living Transitions/Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (HALT/RSAT) Program. HALT/RSAT is a Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment program offering individualized treatment through cognitive behavioral therapy. Programming includes Thinking for Change, Courage to Change, Relapse Prevention, Living in Balance, Beyond Trauma, Intro to Recovery and Women in Addiction.

Adult basic educational classes are also available at both correctional facilities which help inmates develop the necessary educational skills to secure a general education diploma (GED), if needed. The academic programming is a collaborative effort between jail facilities and community school personnel, and is directed to providing educational/academic assistance to both male and female custody inmates. Sheriff and school personnel track and report yearly progress with respect to GED certificates which are issued to county jail offenders.

Reentry Services partners with local providers that offer employment assistance in addition to our Job Readiness component. Job Readiness groups offer a career assessment, how to complete a cover letter, develop a resume, how to gain and sustain employment, and mock interviewing. The Job Developer works to build relationships with local employers by educating them on the benefits of hiring reentry clients.

A wide range of vocational training opportunities are also offered. Inmates can participate in the following vocational programs:

- Automotive Technology Program Students learn automotive repair using computer-based equipment. The program offers a wide variety of industry certifications through the nationally recognized accrediting body, Automotive Service Excellence (ASE).
- Bee Keeping Offenders participate in a six-month structured training program on bee keeping and honey harvesting. Students learn the process of bee keeping from hive development and maintenance through the extraction and preparation of honey.
- Cake Decorating Students learn how to bake and decorate cakes, breads, and pastries. Students are prepared for a job in a bakery, deli, or pastry shop.
- Coffee Education and Barista Training Students train for careers as baristas and coffee roasters.
   Students learn bean anatomy, tasting notes, coffee origins, milk science, pouring espresso shots, and latte art. Final sessions focus on cafe operations such as taking inventory and writing schedules.
- Culinary Arts Students learn basic culinary skills and are prepared for jobs in the food service industry.
- Custodial Students learn various skills in the custodial and housekeeping trades, equipment maintenance and repair, and cleaning materials safety.
- Graphic Arts and Design Program Students obtain certification in laser engraving, dye sublimation, solvent and UV printing using state of the art software and equipment.
- Landscaping and Horticulture Students learn plant propagation, irrigation, and landscape maintenance techniques.
- Safety and Sanitation Students learn kitchen safety and sanitary skills for working in a kitchen setting.
- Welding Students are taught a variety of weld types, equipment maintenance, and job skills
  necessary to gain and maintain employment in the welding profession. Graduates of the welding
  class also earn three college credits at Los Rios Community Colleges. Upon completion, students
  earn up to three certifications from the American Welding Society.
- Wild Horse Program The Wild Horse Program provides an environment for wild horses and
  incorporates a six-phase training curriculum for program participants through a partnership with
  the Bureau of Land Management Wild Horse and Burro Program. The program provides
  offenders with work skills and sensitivity training in preparing gentled wild horses for public
  adoption.

Goal Alignment: Reduce recidivism and returns to custody.

**Reimbursable Entities:** Sheriff's Office; Contractors/Community-Based Organizations (administered by a County department)

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

- Reimbursement is limited to expenses related to services provided to inmates participating in
  any or all programs administered by the Sheriff's Office reentry services. Reimbursable costs
  include salaries and benefits for the employees administering services, costs associated with
  reentry facilities (trailers), equipment, and supplies, and costs for services provided by
  contractors and community-based organizations.
- Quarterly claims should include the number of employees dedicated to this program, the number of unique reentry participants for that quarter, the number of offenders assessed during the quarter, and the number of offenders accepted into reentry programs during the quarter.
- Costs generated by contractors should include contractor hours and costs per quarter along with the number of unique participants served by the contractor during the quarter.

#### B2. Mental Health Diversion and Collaborative Courts

#### **Description:**

#### Mental Health Diversion

Mental health diversion supports defendants eligible pursuant to Penal Code Section 1001.36. To participate, a qualifying individual enters a plea of not guilty and waives the right to a speedy trial, and proceedings are suspended for the individual to complete a community-based mental health treatment program within one (1) year for a misdemeanor or two (2) years for a felony. SB 1223 expanded eligibility criteria for Felony Mental Health Diversion, effective January 2023. SB 1223 presumes a nexus between a mental health diagnosis and criminal charge if the diagnosis occurred within the prior five years. The court can only approve a program of treatment if all of the following conditions have been met: the client has been diagnosed with a mental disorder other than an antisocial personality disorder, borderline personality disorder, or pedophilia, and the diagnosis or treatment occurred in the last five years; the court finds no clear and convincing evidence that the mental disorder was not a motivating factor, causal factor, or contributing factor to the alleged offense; in the opinion of a qualified mental health expert, the client would respond to mental health treatment; the client consents to diversion and waives the right to a speedy trial; the client agrees to comply with treatment as a condition of diversion; and the court is satisfied the client will not pose an unreasonable risk of danger to public safety.

Tools for evaluating potential Mental Health Diversion applicants by indigent defense counsel include the PHQ-9 Depression Inventory, GAD-7 Depression Inventory, Mental Status Exam, and DAST-10 Drug Abuse Screening Tool. Behavioral Health staff use the CA ASAM for substance use disorder assessment and Level of Intensity Screening Tool (LIST) to help clinicians make consistent and effective patient decisions related to intensity of service needs, level of care placement, and continued stay.

The County's Jail Population Reduction Plans, based on consultant research, estimated that expanding mental health diversion to more people charged with non-violent felonies would reduce the average daily jail population by 81 beds. Mental health diversion requires staff for indigent defense departments for case navigation and advocacy, behavioral health staff for increased capacity to conduct assessments and offer treatment services, and monitoring support through Probation. Although there are no long-term peer reviewed publications, O'Connell Research used a comparison group of felony defendants who were eligible for mental health diversion but declined services to those engaging in treatment and found,

when controlling for multiple factors, mental health diversion reduced jail recurrence by 24%, which is a robust positive finding.

#### **Collaborative Courts**

Collaborative and specialized courts were created to serve a specific population. These alternative courts reduce trauma for victims and provide offenders with services, such as mental health and drug or alcohol treatment, rather than jail time. Collaborative courts include Recovery Treatment Court (formerly Drug Court), Mental Health Treatment Court, Prop 36 Court, DUI Treatment Court, Veterans Treatment Court (VTC), Reentry Court, Reducing Sexual Exploitation and Trafficking (ReSET) Court, Chronic Offender Rehabilitation Effort (CORE, previously Chronic Nuisance Offender) Program, City Alcohol Related Treatment (CART), Serial Inebriation Program (SIP), and Homeless (Loaves and Fishes) Court. To participate, the court must find the client eligible, suitable, and have a proposed treatment plan.

Mental Health Treatment Court is comprised of clients likely to be at high or moderate levels of risk to re-offend as well as seriously mentally ill. Reentry Court clients receive a broad range of services in lieu of serving County Jail Prison (CJP) or State Prison terms. Recovery Treatment Court (formerly Drug Court) focuses on clients with substance use needs at medium or high levels. The County's Jail Population Reduction Plans and consultant research indicated that increasing Mental Health Treatment Court capacity could avoid 77 jail beds on a given day.

Depending on the specific program, collaborative courts are a team approach, bringing resources from the District Attorney, indigent defense departments, Department of Human Assistance, Department of Health Services, Probation Department, the Superior Court, and community partnerships. Behavioral Health staff use a mental health assessment, the CA ASAM for substance use disorder assessment, and the Level of Intensity Screening Tool (LIST) for patient decisions related to intensity of service needs, level of care placement, and continued stay. Probation staff serving collaborative courts use the LS/CMI to determine an individual's risk to reoffend and criminogenic needs.

Collaborative Courts emphasize early intervention, on-going supervision, and frequent judicial reviews. Collaborative courts generate substantial savings by increasing case processing efficiencies and reducing incarceration costs. Reentry Courts are found to have strong reductions in reconvictions and recidivism. Mental Health Treatment Courts have been found to have strong reductions in recidivism, as well as improvements in treatment engagement. Recovery Treatment Courts (Drug Courts) have been found to have strong reductions in recidivism, as well as drug/alcohol offenses, but less effective at reducing substance misuse overall.

**Goal Alignment:** Maintain and improve community safety; Reduce use of jail housing; Reduce recidivism and returns to custody

**Reimbursable Entities:** Department of Human Assistance, Department of Health Services, District Attorney, Indigent defense departments (Public Defender's Office/Conflict Criminal Defenders), Probation Department, Superior Court, Contractors/Community-Based Organizations (administered by a County department)

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

 Reimbursement is limited to expenses related to services provided to individuals seeking or participating in mental health diversion and collaborative court programs. Reimbursable costs include salaries and benefits for the employees administering the programs as well as services and supplies.

#### • Mental Health Diversion:

Quarterly claims should include the number of employees dedicated to this program, the number of unique individuals for whom mental health diversion applications were submitted during the quarter, the number of unique individuals granted mental health diversion during the quarter, and the total number of unique individuals participating in mental health diversion during the quarter. Costs generated by contractors should include contractor hours and costs per quarter along with the number of participants served by each contractor during that quarter.

#### • Collaborative Courts:

Quarterly claims should include the number of employees dedicated to this program, the number of individuals accepted into each collaborative court (by program) during the quarter, and the total number of participants in each collaborative court (by program) during the quarter. Costs generated by contractors should include contractor hours and costs per quarter along with the number of participants served by each contractor during that quarter.

#### B3. Pretrial Needs Assessment and Support Services

**Description:** Indigent defense departments provide needs assessments and offer supportive services to pretrial clients. The Public Defender's Office administers the Pretrial Support Project (PTSP). The PTSP uses social worker students and law students to meet with individuals in custody prior to arraignment and conduct needs assessments. The need assessments include four evidence-based tools: (1) Brief Jail Mental Health Screen, (2) CAGE Substance Abuse Screen, (3) Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Trauma Assessment, and (4) Universal Housing Screen. Once an individual is assessed, this information is provided to the arraignment attorney and social worker. This assessment then becomes the foundation to identify individuals in custody for alternatives to incarceration such as collaborative courts, diversion, bail motions, and discharge planning and coordination. If released, social workers and community intervention specialists are assigned to the case to ensure linkage to services and to create a safe discharge plan. Social Workers remain on an individual's case until there is a sustainable warm hand-off in the community through coordinated services to ensure public safety needs are met. In 2023, Conflict Criminal Defenders began providing similar services for pretrial clients assigned to their caseload.

**Goal Alignment:** Maintain and improve community safety; Reduce use of jail housing; Reduce recidivism and returns to custody

**Reimbursable Entities:** Department of Health Services, Department of Human Assistance; Indigent defense departments (Public Defender's Office/Conflict Criminal Defenders); Contractors/Community-Based Organizations (administered by a County department)

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

Reimbursement is limited to expenses related to services provided to individuals with cases
pending resolution. Reimbursable costs include salaries and benefits for the employees
administering the program as well as services and supplies, including the rental/lease of
monitoring equipment, laboratory/medical services, and phone charges.

Quarterly claims should include the number of employees dedicated to this program as well as
the number of individuals assessed through the PTSP during the quarter, the number of
individuals released from custody and assigned to a social worker during the quarter, the total
number of cases supported by a social worker during the quarter, and the number of warm
hand-offs to a community partner during the quarter. Costs generated by contractors should
include contractor hours and costs per quarter along with the number of participants served by
each contractor during that quarter.

B4. Jail Discharge Support: Benefit Assistance, Clothing, Transportation, and Housing Linkages

Description: Outreach to the justice-involved community conducted by the CCPAB, the County's Jail
Population Reduction Plans, and the Sacramento County Community Review Commission 2023 Annual
Review Report all identified a need for Sacramento County to improve connections to services and
resources prior to and during jail discharge processes. By initiating service connections during and prior
to release, justice-involved individuals can receive assistance in obtaining legal documents needed for
obtaining health care, employment, housing, government benefits, etc. The Community Review
Commission recommended implementation of a clothing closet and safe transportation arrangements
for individuals discharged from jail facilities, particularly those released during late night hours. Linkages
to services could be further enhanced by staffing a 24/7 receiving center within safe walking distance of
the Main Jail.

Human Service Assistants (Eligibility Specialists) are located at the jail facilities and the Probation Department's Adult Day Reporting Centers. The Human Service Assistants (HSA) focus on providing social service benefits and other service referrals. The HSA staff will screen for Medi-Cal eligibility and will accept and process applications for General Assistance (GA) and Cal-Fresh for offenders. If the HSA determines there are additional services needed (homeless assistance, Cal-Works, employment services, alcohol or other drug, mental health, or SSI application assistance), the appropriate referrals will be made to these services in coordination with social workers and reentry staff located at the jail facilities and Probation where staff process offenders transitioning from the jail or state prison to community supervision with probation. HSA screening also includes Affordable Care Act and other social safety net benefits the offender populations can access.

The County contracts with providers for emergency and transitional housing beds with wrap around service assistance to AB 109 inmates leaving custody and Probation Department PRCS and Mandatory Supervision offenders. The intent of the program is to provide up to 90 days of emergency shelter for each County Jail Prison N3, PRCS, and Mandatory Supervision offender to address issues with homelessness. It is targeted to those AB 109 individuals most likely to be at risk for reoffense due to housing insecurity and homelessness. Those referred are at high-risk of homelessness or have a living situation that heavily contributes to the likelihood of reoffense. Examples include individuals who are literally sleeping in a vehicle, the streets, or another place not meant for human habitation; living with roommates with extensive recent gang or criminal activity; staying in a remote or rural area and lacking transportation to follow release requirements; and living in complexes or neighborhoods with significant illegal drug activity. Case management staff also work with transitional housing residents through their network of wrap around service providers to address a range of personal needs including (a) housing placement, (b) employment assistance, (c) transportation, (d) mental health services, and (e) other healthcare services. The staff also provide life skills counseling and referrals for identified alcohol and/or substance use services.

Goal Alignment: Maintain and improve community safety; Reduce recidivism and returns to custody

**Reimbursable Entities:** Department of Health Services, Department of Homeless Services and Housing, Department of Human Assistance, Probation Department Sheriff's Office, Contractors/Community Based-Organizations (administered by a County department)

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

- Reimbursement is limited to expenses related to services provided to inmates upon release from custody, individuals in close proximity to County jail facilities, and individuals receiving services through Adult Day Reporting Centers. Reimbursable costs include salaries and benefits for the employees administering the program as well as services and supplies.
- Quarterly claims for benefit eligibility assistance should include the number of employees
  dedicated to this program, the number of individuals screened for Medi-Cal eligibility during the
  quarter, the number of General Assistance (GA) and Cal-Fresh applications processed during the
  quarter, and the number of unique individuals referred for additional services (homeless
  assistance, Cal-Works, employment services, alcohol or other drug, mental health, or SSI
  application assistance) during the quarter.
- Quarterly claims for transitional housing should include the number of unique individuals
  provided with transitional housing beds and wrap around services during the quarter.
- Costs generated by contractors should include contractor hours and costs per quarter along with the number of participants served by each contractor during that quarter.

#### B5. Pretrial Risk Assessment and Monitoring Services

**Description:** Probation conducts a Pretrial Safety Assessment (PSA) on individuals booked into custody and monitors individuals released to Probation's Pretrial Monitoring by the Superior Court at no cost to the client. Monitoring can include court reminder telephone calls, office visits, community visits, and GPS monitoring.

Individuals released to Probation's Pretrial Monitoring are eligible for services through a partnership with the Department of Human Assistance. This includes assessing benefit needs, eligibility, and referrals to other eligibility programs. Clients are also able to work with a Community Navigator, who completes a comprehensive intake interview to develop an individualized case plan utilizing a needs assessment tool, provides one-on-one case management support, and assists clients with overcoming risks associated with keeping Court hearings.

Goal Alignment: Maintain and improve community safety; Reduce use of jail housing

**Reimbursable Entities:** Probation Department

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

- Reimbursement is limited to expenses related to services provided to individuals with cases
  pending resolution. Reimbursable costs include salaries and benefits for the employees
  administering the program as well as services, equipment, and supplies.
- Quarterly claims should include the number of employees dedicated to this program, the number of individuals assessed with a PSA during the quarter, the number of unique individuals

released on pre-trial monitoring during the quarter by level (1-6), and the total number of unique individuals who received pretrial monitoring services that quarter by level (1-6).

#### B6. Adult Day Reporting Centers

**Description:** The Probation Department's Adult Day Reporting Centers (ADRCs) integrate evidence-based practices, conduct actuarial assessments, provide case planning based on criminogenic needs and offer cognitive behavioral programming and support services. ADRC programs have shown great promise in helping to reduce the jail population and recidivism because they provide, over a longer period of time, intensive services that address offenders' needs in a holistic way, targeting long-term risk reduction.

The Adult Day Reporting Centers (ADRC) create a continuum of services, sanctions, and rewards/incentives that respond to client needs while providing high intensity supervision. The program approach involves community-based organizations and probation officers who work together to couple service interventions and supervision. Program services are comprehensively structured, evidence-based, multi-pronged, and address different facets of a client's presenting concerns: behavioral self-control, substance misuse, educational and vocational needs, health and mental health, social services, benefit screening, family, and community support.

The ADRCs are for male and female clients who have been assessed as having a moderate to high risk to reoffend and significant criminogenic needs. Depending on the client's assessed needs, the four-phase program is structured to be completed in approximately nine months, but allows for instances of relapse, custodial sanctions, other interruptions common to the delivery of rehabilitative services, and aftercare.

Each ADRC includes drug testing, cognitive-behavioral treatment classes, referrals to community-based organizations, access to employment training, job placement assistance, on site General Education Development (GED), and participation in the Probation Department's Community Outreach Unit (work project crews) to provide restitution to victims. The programming for PRCS clients returning from state prison and Mandatory Supervision clients also includes Intensive Supervision caseloads. Each ADRC concentrates community supervision resources on the period immediately following the client's release from custody and adjusting supervision strategies as the needs of the client released, the victim, the community, and the client's family change. The ADRC staff and program providers facilitate the client's sustained engagement in treatment, mental health, and other supportive services. Job development and supportive employment are a key element of the programming and service linkage activities Probation staff undertake. Efforts are made to address obstacles that make it difficult for a client to obtain and retain viable employment while under community supervision.

Clients who report mental health treatment history or symptoms to ADRC staff are referred for assessments. They are also assessed for alcohol and drug issues and staff make referrals for treatment. The ADRC multi-disciplinary team will also monitor the treatment and progress of clients who are already receiving mental health services in community settings. The program may also provide counseling and/or case management interventions for clients to support the effectiveness of the combination of outside mental health services and their ADRC treatment plan. The Probation Department collaborates with Behavioral Health Services to implement procedures for meeting clients' psychotropic prescription medication needs when they are released from state prison or county jail. These services include prescribing, administering, dispensing, and monitoring of psychiatric medications.

They also include the evaluation of the need for initial / ongoing medications, ancillary lab costs, and instruction in how to use the medication, and alternatives to medication.

Responding to violations with swift and certain sanctions is another key element of the case management and supervision activities carried out by the Adult Day Reporting Centers (ADRC) probation staff. Many of the violations which occur among the AB 109 realigned population are addressed with graduated sanctions, inclusive of both custodial and non-custodial measures, and clients are held accountable in the community without compromising public safety.

**Goal Alignment:** Maintain and improve community safety; Reduce use of jail housing; Reduce recidivism and returns to custody

**Reimbursable Entities:** Probation Department; Contractors/Community-Based Organizations (administered by a County department)

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

- Reimbursement is limited to expenses related to services provided to individuals participating in Adult Day Reporting Center programs and services received at Adult Day Reporting Center locations. Reimbursable costs include salaries and benefits for the employees administering services, lease/rental costs and facility costs for ADRC locations and equipment, supplies, and costs for services provided by contractors and community-based organizations.
- Quarterly claims should include the number of employees staffing each ADRC, the number of
  unique offenders participating each quarter by location, and the number of offenders who began
  participating in an ADRC program during the quarter. Costs generated by contractors should
  include contractor hours and costs per quarter along with the number of participants served by
  each contractor during that quarter.

#### B7. Expungement and Record Modification Services

**Description:** Expungement and record modifications services help remove barriers to job opportunities and critical services, promoting community safety and economic opportunity, and addressing racial and economic inequity within the criminal justice system. Recent changes in the law have increased demand for record modification services (e.g. AB 1950 [shortened probation terms] and AB 1869 [eliminated many fines and fees]). A 2020 study published by the Harvard Law Review found that people who clear their records have extremely low recidivism rates and experience a sharp upturn in their employment opportunities and their wages (an average of 22% increase in income). Attorney positions in both the District Attorney and indigent defense departments develop and review record modification requests, Probation staff assist with recommendations, and Superior Court staff processes the filings. As of April 2022, the Public Defender's post-conviction relief program has a backlog of 1,600 cases with new requests for assistance every day. While SB 731 (going into effect July 1, 2023) will extend automatic and petition-based record relief for some, ongoing support for record modification services remains needed.

**Goal Alignment:** Reduce recidivism and returns to custody

**Reimbursable Entities:** District Attorney; Indigent defense departments (Public Defender's Office/Conflict Criminal Defenders); Probation Department; Superior Court

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

- Reimbursement is limited to expenses related to services provided to individuals requesting
  record modifications. Reimbursable costs include salaries and benefits for the employees
  administering the program as well as services and supplies.
- Quarterly claims should include the number of employees dedicated to this program, the
  number of record modification inquiries submitted to an indigent defense department by a
  Sacramento County resident during the quarter, the number of record modification requests
  filed with the Court by an indigent defense department during the quarter, the number of record
  modification requests reviewed by the District Attorney during the quarter, and the number of
  record modification requests approved by the Superior Court during the quarter.

#### B8. Alternative Sentencing Programs (Home Detention and Work Release)

**Description:** The Sheriff's Home Detention Electronic Monitoring (EM) Program was expanded through implementation of the AB 109 Plan to accommodate up to 350 participants. The program offers a less disruptive way for qualified offenders to serve their court-sentenced jail commitments in the community. EM participants are in the program for a maximum of 12 months. Offenders selected for participation undergo intensive supervision and are allowed to seek and maintain employment, and participate in approved therapeutic and/or rehabilitation counseling programs. Active EM supervision systems are utilized to ensure offender compliance with set limits on their location, activities and communications. The Sheriff's Office contracts with a non-profit organization to provide cognitive behavioral change services to offenders participating in the Home Detention/EM program. The program's goal is to promote positive change in offenders thinking and behaviors by focusing on the elimination of criminogenic risk factors, providing guidance and probation/parole terms, directing role playing/activities on methods of avoiding crime, and promoting skill building in the pursuit of education, career, and fiscal/time management.

The Sacramento County Sheriff's Office also has a work project alternative to incarceration program. Participation in this program is either provided by a court order at the time of sentencing or offered to eligible inmates as an early release option. Program participants are not required to have a permanent home address and are not drug tested. Program accountability is focused on attendance and work performance. Offenders who participate through early release from the County Jail typically have approximately 60 days or less to complete their sentence. As of July 2023, the Sheriff's Office alternative custody programs, including the EM program, work project alternative, and alternative sentencing program, collectively averaged about 1,100 active participants.

Goal Alignment: Reduce use of jail housing

**Reimbursable Entities:** Sheriff's Office; Contractors/Community-Based Organizations (administered by a County department)

#### **Reimbursement Restrictions:**

Reimbursement is limited to expenses related to services provided to inmates on home
detention or work release as an alternative to jail housing. Reimbursable costs include salaries
and benefits for the employees administering the program as well as services and supplies,
including the rental/lease of monitoring equipment, laboratory/medical services, and phone
charges.

Quarterly claims should include the number of employees dedicated to this program, the
number of unique offenders participating in work release and home detention during the
quarter, and the number of participants who began participating in each program that quarter.
Costs generated by contractors should include contractor hours and costs per quarter.

#### C- Additional Eligible Programs and Services as Determined by the CCP

The CCPAB and CCP recognize that innovative ideas for additional programs and services may occur between the approval of the 2023 Plan Update and the approval of the 2024-25 FY Budget. For growth requests related to programs and services that do not clearly fall within one of the existing eligible expense categories, agencies may request approval from the CCP to determine eligibility for use of AB 109 funds. Requests for approval must demonstrate how the proposal will support one or more of the overarching goals in the approved AB 109 Plan 2023 Update. Goal alignment, reimbursable entities, reimbursement restrictions, and annual reporting metrics must be included with the proposal.

## Use of AB 109 Planning Funds

Implementation of the AB 109 Plan is overseen by a county position dedicated to supporting the CCP and CCPAB, tracking and monitoring data, drafting AB 109 Plan updates and reports, and managing reimbursement claims. Among other tasks, this position supports the County's efforts to (1) track data and measurable outcomes related to the AB 109 Plan, (2) assess implementation of programs/treatment/services, and (3) identify and address racial disparity issues that preliminary data indicates exist. In July 2022, Sacramento County hired an analyst in the Office of the County Executive, Public Safety and Justice Agency to perform these roles. Planning funds may also be used for supplies and services related to CCP and CCPAB meetings and activities.

# **Future Planning Priorities**

To further improve future AB 109 Plan updates, increase accountability, and develop consensus around specific program and service changes and innovations, it is recommended that the CCP and CCPAB invest time, effort, and community engagement in the following areas:

- Develop a definition of community safety to promote shared understanding.
- Develop specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound (SMART) objectives for each overarching plan goal.
- Develop a standard program evaluation for AB 109 funded programs and services.
- Improve data collection efforts and expand staff access to data resources, including the production of queries and reports to monitor recidivism and returns to custody.
- Increase transparency of AB 109 funding allocations and expenses.
- Evaluate the feasibility of dedicating a portion of AB 109 growth funding to proposals from Community-Based Organizations providing support services to the justice-involved population not otherwise connected to eligible program and service categories.
- Evaluate the feasibility and reasonableness of service or funding limits for each eligible program and service category.
- Explore restorative justice programs and elevate the voices of crime survivors and family members in the planning process.
- Develop an understanding of racial disparities within the AB 109 population and individuals receiving services through AB 109 funded programs.

- Develop an understanding of the impact of housing status on participants in AB 109 funded programs.
- Integrate and build upon information obtained through the working groups established as part of the County's Jail Population Reduction Plans.

# Appendix A: Community Corrections Partnership Membership

Member	Name and Title (if applicable)
Chief Probation Officer (Chair)*	Marlon Yarber, Chief Probation Officer
	Designee: Marc Marquez, Assistant Chief Probation Officer
Sheriff*	Jim Cooper, Sheriff
	Designees: Dan Donelli, Chief of Corrections; Mike Ziegler, Undersheriff
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District Attorney*	Thien Ho, District Attorney
	Designee: Scott Triplett, Chief Deputy District Attorney
Public Defender*	Amanda Benson, Public Defender
County Supervisor Designee	Eric Jones, Deputy County Executive, Public Safety & Justice
Dept. of Social Services*	Chevon Kothari, Deputy County Executive, Social Services
Dept. of Behavioral Health	Tim Lutz, Director, Dept. of Health Services
Div. of Alcohol & Drug	Tim Lutz, Director, Dept. of Health Services
Superior Court*	Hon. Michael Bowman, Presiding Judge
•	Designee: Kelly Sullivan, Chief Deputy Executive Officer
Chief of Police*	Katherine Lester, Chief of Police
	Designees: Adam Green, Deputy Chief; Norm Leong, Deputy Chief
Employment	William Walker, Director of Workforce Development (SETA)
County Office of Education	Dave Gordon, Superintendent
	Designee: Jacqueline White, Asst. Superintendent
Victim Representative	Darby Geller, Victim Witness Program Manager
CBO - Rehabilitative Services	Mervin Brookins (Brother 2 Brother Mentoring)

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates members of the Executive (Voting) Committee

# Appendix B: CCP Advisory Board Membership

Member	Name and Title (if applicable)
Community Member (Chair)	Melinda Avey
Community Member	Bill Pieper
Community Member	Muriel Strand
Community Member	Vacant
District Attorney's Office	Andrew Soloman, Assistant Chief Deputy District Attorney Alternate: William Satchell, Assistant Chief Deputy District Attorney
Probation Department	Robyn Howland, Assistant Chief Deputy Alternate: Kelly Finnegan, Supervising Probation Officer
Public Defender's Office	Joseph Cress, Chief Assistant Public Defender Alternate: Alice Michel, Chief Assistant Public Defender
Sacramento Police Department	Lt. Sameer Sood Alternate: Lt. Robbie Young
Sheriff's Office	Lt. Chris Baker, Reentry Services Unit  Alternate: Sgt. Matthew Hovermale, Reentry Services Unit
Social Services (Vice Chair)	Nina Acosta, Division Manager, Forensic Behavioral Health
Superior Court	Michelle Jeremiah, Director of Operations

The Community Corrections Partnership Advisory Board (CCPAB) would like to thank Amy Holliday, William Norwood, and Tiffanie Synnott for their past participation that contributed to the development of the 2023 AB 109 Plan Update.

# Appendix C: 2023-24 Budget Allocations and Approved Growth Requests

The following AB 109 funding allocations were approved by the Board of Supervisors for FY 23/24. Many departments use a portion of their approved allocation to contract with community-based organizations.

Department	FY 23/24 Budget Allocation	% of Total AB 109 Funds
Probation	\$33,130,516	44.29%
Health Services (Adult Correctional Health)	\$14,353,774	19.19%
Sheriff	\$25,173,419	33.65%
District Attorney	\$1,047,748	1.40%
Public Defender	\$1,094,122	1.46%
Total Allocations	\$74,799,579	

#### **Approved Growth Requests Involving AB 109 Funding:**

Department	Growth Request Summary	Total Appropriations
Public	Add 3.0 FTE positions and associated overhead costs to	\$741,969
Defender	support the Mays Consent Decree jail population reduction	
	plan items 22 (Mental Health Diversion) and 27 (Improve	
	connections to services and resources prior to and during jail	
	discharge). Effective January 2023, the mental health diversion	
	law significantly expanded the scope of people who are	
	eligible to have their criminal cases diverted if they comply	
	with a treatment plan. The Public Defender has a mandated	
	duty to file diversion applications for qualifying clients and to	
	manage their cases until they complete their treatment plan,	
	which can take 1-2 years. The Public Defender needs	
	additional staff to comply with this new mandate. This request	
	includes 1.0 FTE Principal Criminal Attorney, 2.0 FTE Criminal	
	Attorneys Level 2, and \$42,969 in overhead services and	
	supplies. This request aligns with the Mays Consent Decree Jail Population Reduction Plan numbers 22, 27 and AB 109	
	Plan numbers 2, 3, 4, 6, 19.	
Public	Add 2.0 FTE positions and associated overhead costs to	\$352,153
Defender	support the Mays Consent Decree jail population reduction	7552,155
Deterract	plan item 23 (Collaborative Courts). The Sacramento County	
	Superior Court operates a variety of collaborative court	
	programs that offer alternatives to incarceration. High	
	caseloads and onerous program applications can cause delays	
	and unnecessary jail stays. The Public Defender needs	
	additional staff to expedite program applications, safely	
	reduce the jail population, and reduce recidivism. This request	
	includes 1.0 FTE Criminal Attorney Level 2, 1.0 FTE Human	
	Services Social Worker, and \$26,293 in overhead services and	
	supplies. This request aligns with the Mays Consent Decree	
	Jail Population Reduction Plan numbers 23 and AB 109 Plan	
	numbers 2, 3, 4, 6, 19.	

# Appendix D: Program and Service Metrics for Annual Evaluations

Annual program evaluations should include the following information, to the extent it can be collected and shared. If information cannot be collected or reported, the department completing the report should provide an explanation. Annual program evaluations should also describe client success stories to support outcomes that cannot be easily quantified. The information requested below is in addition to the quarterly reporting requirements outlined in the Plan.

Metrics	Data Source
B1. Reentry Services	
Case counts for these programs, broken down by:	Sheriff's Office
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Dispositional Status (Pretrial vs. Sentenced)	
Count of inmates eligible for but not receiving these services (waiting list)	
Recidivism rates for individuals who participated in reentry programs	
Vocational program completion rates	
GED initiation counts and completion percentage	
Job placement counts	
B2. Mental Health Diversion and Collaborative Courts	
Count of persons assessed and reassessed	Health Services
Average length of time awaiting assessment while in custody	
Average length of time awaiting assessment – out of custody	
Count of persons referred to each court/program	Superior Court,
Count/percentage approved or accepted to each court/program, broken	Indigent Defense
down by:	Departments (Mental
Gender	Health Diversion),
Race/Ethnicity	District Attorney
Zip code	(Collaborative Courts)
Capacity and average number of participants in each court/program	
Percentage of persons graduated/completed for each court/program, broken	
down by:	
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Percent of persons deleted (to incarceration) from each court/program,	
broken down by:	
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Average length of time from arrest to acceptance into program (in custody)	
Average length of time from arrest to acceptance into court/program (out of	
custody)	
Recidivism rate (Collaborative Courts)	District Attorney
Return to custody/re-arrest rate within 3 years of acceptance (Mental Health	Indigent Defense
Diversion)	Departments

Metrics	Data Source
B3. Pretrial Needs Assessment and Support Services	Data Source
Count of persons assessed, broken down by:	Indigent Defense
Gender	Departments
Race/Ethnicity	Departments
• Zip code	
Breakdown of needs identified (percentage of those assessed)	
Count of persons connected to specific services	
Average caseload for social workers	
Percentage of persons released from custody on own recognizance based on	
a pretrial needs assessment	
Failure to appear rate for individuals released based on a pretrial needs	
assessment	
New offense rate for individuals released based on a pretrial needs	
assessment	
B4. Jail Discharge Support: Benefit Assistance, Clothing, Transportation, and	Housing Linkages
Count of persons connected to specific services, broken down by:	Department or
Gender	Community-Based
Race/Ethnicity	Organization providing
• Zip code	services
B5. Pretrial Risk Assessment and Monitoring Services	
Count of persons assessed, broken down by:	Probation Department
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
• Zip code	
PSA scores for persons assessed, broken down by:	
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
• Zip code	
Count released to pretrial monitoring, broken down by:	
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Failure to appear rate for pretrial monitoring clients, broken down by:	
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
New offense rate for pretrial monitoring clients, broken down by:	
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	

Metrics	Data Source
B6. Adult Day Reporting Centers	
Count of participation for each ADRC location, broken down by:	Probation Department
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Graduation/completion rates for each ADRC location, broken down by:	
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Recidivism rates	
B7. Expungement and Record Modification Services	
Count of petitions/applications for record modification submitted, broken	Indigent Defense
down by:	Departments
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Count of petitions/applications granted, broken down by:	
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Backlog/waitlist count for record modification requests	
B8. Alternative Sentencing Programs (Home Detention and Work Release)	
Case counts in each program, broken down by:	Sheriff's Office
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Completion rates per program, broken down by:	
Gender	
Race/Ethnicity	
Zip code	
Recidivism rates for each program	