

**ALAMEDA COUNTY  
 JJCC SB 823 SUBCOMMITTEE  
 QUARTERLY MEETING MINUTES  
 August 15, 2024, 12:00-2:00 p.m.  
 JJC, 2500 Fairmont Drive, San Leandro, CA 94578  
 Microsoft Teams Teleconference Option Provided**

**JJCC Subcommittee Members or Designees Present:**

Brian Ford, Acting Chief Probation Officer	Emily Young, DPN
Tiffany Gipson, DA	Michelle Love, Dept of Social Services
Dr. Karyn Tribble, ACBH	Ericson Amaya, FOK Coalition Representative
Lucia Moritz, ACOE	Nickie Berrow, D2 Representative
Andrea Zambrana, Conflict Counsel	Hugo Amaya, D3 Representative
Al Mance, PD	Kelvin Potts, D4 Representative
Vamsey Palagummi, JJDCP	Erin Palacios, D5 Representative
DaSean Spencer, OPD	Jesus Cortez, Youth Representative

**Meeting Participants:**

Esmeraldo Antonio, ACPD	Julian Hamilton, UPM
Dieudonné Brou, UPM	Ryan Hughes, BOS D3
Naseem Badiey, ACPD	Ashley Isles, BOS D5
Albert Banuelos, ACPD	Carissa Pappas, ACPD
Dante Cercone, ACPD	Charles Pattillo, ACPD
Shauna Conner, ACPD	April Smith, DA
Darryl Stewart, BOS D4	Robert Walton, ACPD
Alex Garcia, ACPD	Anna Kane, ACPD (recorder)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action Needed
1. Welcome and Roll Call		
2. Approval of 05/16/2024 Minutes	A motion was made by Andrea Zambrana to approve the May 16, 2024 minutes. Al Mance seconded the motion. No public comment. Motion passed.	
3. Presentation: Firm Roots Academy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ACPD presented the Firm Roots Academy update.</li> <li>• Camp Sweeney (CWS) fence update was presented.</li> <li>• Contractor will break ground on outdoor exercise equipment on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Project completion is estimated to be 90 days. Money for project was provided by BSCC grant.</li> </ul>	

<p>4. SB823 Annual Report Feedback</p>	<p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use of Outdoor Space: It was reported that Firm Roots (Secure Track) youth frequently play basketball, with plans to add cross-training and utilize a new weight room.</li> <li>• Education/Vocational: All eight high school graduates will be enrolled in either college or certification programs by Monday. The secure track program currently serves 42 youth, including 12 DJJ returnees, with vocational options like OSHA, plumbing, and electrical certifications. Further updates on certifications, diplomas, and other metrics will be provided by ACOE.</li> <li>• Programming: Credible Messengers, while not evidence-based, are critical for trust-building and family engagement. Data tracking on participation and behavior is ongoing. Probation Officers support youth daily and collaborate with Credible Messengers on family reunification and community reintegration. Rites of Passage provided information regarding their program.</li> <li>• Behavior Health Services: ACBH is evaluating the current mental health model, focusing on prevention, post-incident treatment, and STRTP state-level changes. Meetings are ongoing with Children’s Hospital to review models and partnerships. The department has shifted staffing models and is working on pay structures to improve recruitment, retention, and peer-based programs.</li> </ul> <p>Mental health staff updates for Secure Track were shared previously with the JJDPC, and a commitment was made to provide updated information at the next meeting.</p> <p>The state rejected the plan update, requiring several edits. Other counties whose plans were approved used the state-provided template. The list of necessary edits has been shared. There are no substantive issues with the plan—only basic edits are needed. The revised plan will be submitted with the required edits, and discussions on future formatting will take place separately.</p> <p><b>A motion was made by Erin Palacios to accept the four recommended OYCR edits and resubmit the plan. The motion seconded by Andrea Zambrana. No public comment. Motion passed.</b></p>	<p><i>Provide a precise update at a future meeting on the frequency and duration of time youth spend outdoors.</i></p> <p><i>ACOE to provide certification classes enrollment info at next meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Data will be collected in the future.</i></p> <p><i>ACBH to provide an update on changes in staffing and case management models at the next meeting.</i></p>
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	<p>It was agreed to transition the plan to the OYCR template while maintaining its content. A third-party contractor will be hired to complete this work, with a request added to the SOW. Despite concerns that the current format may not fully align with the template, it was acknowledged that meeting state requirements is essential. There is urgency in securing a vendor before the next meeting, with a goal to finalize the SOW by September.</p> <p>Erin’s edited report, organized into headers, is in her previous email account; Probation will send a reminder. A short-term contract will address immediate needs while a longer-term RFQ is developed. Ideally, the new contractor will attend the next meeting to provide updates.</p> <p><b>Public Comment</b></p>	<p><i>Probation to work on finding a vendor to work on future plan to OYCR.</i></p> <p><i>Get in touch with Erin to remind her to get the plan.</i></p> <p><i>Probation to email the Firm Roots Academy presentation to the Subcommittee and meeting attendees.</i></p>
5. Public comment		
6. Upcoming Meetings	November 21, 2024, 12:00-2:00PM at 2500 Fairmont Drive, San Leandro, CA, 94578, 1st floor, Room C1002	
7. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 12:52 PM	