



Tulare County Community Corrections Partnership

Minutes – February 12, 2024

Committee Name:	Community Corrections Partnership	Starting Time: 02:00 p.m.	Ending Time: 02:06 p.m.
Place:	Probation Headquarters – Administration Conference Room		
Executive Committee Present:	Kelly Vernon, Chief Probation Officer (Chair), Tulare County Probation Department; Donna Ortiz, Director, Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency		
Executive Committee Absent:	Mike Boudreaux, Sheriff, Tulare County Sheriff’s Office; Erin Brooks, Public Defender, Tulare County Public Defender’s Office; Stephanie Cameron, Court Executive Officer, Tulare County Superior Court; Jason Salazar, Chief of Police, City of Visalia; Tim Ward, District Attorney, Tulare County District Attorney’s Office		
Members Present:	Adam Peck, Director, Workforce Investment Board; Andy Swarthout, Captain, City of Visalia; Dan Underwood, Chief Deputy District Attorney, Tulare County District Attorney’s Office; Ron Westphal, Assistant Public Defender, Tulare County Public Defender’s Office		
Members Absent:	Mark Gist, Assistant Sheriff, Tulare County Sheriff’s Office; Jason T. Britt, County Administrative Officer, Tulare County Administrative Office; Mary Escarsega-Fechner, Executive Director, C-SET, Inc; Tim Hire, Superintendent, Tulare County Office of Education; Sherry Pacillas, Director of Court Operations, Tulare County Superior Court		
County Staff Present:	LeAnne Williams, Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Tulare County Probation Department; Robert Hernandez, Senior Administrative Analyst, Tulare County Administrative Office; Jennifer Noel, Staff Services Analyst, Tulare County Probation Department		
Guests Present:			

	Discussion	Person(s) Responsible
I. Call to Order	Chief Vernon called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. There was not a quorum present. Approval of Action Items (November 13, 2023, Meeting Minutes and Distribution of Growth Funding for FY 22-23) will take place at a later date.	Chief Vernon
II. Announcements	Chief Vernon announced that Assistant Chief Williams will be retiring on February 23, 2024. Jose Gonzalez has been promoted to Assistant Chief, effective February 25, 2024. Mike Santos has been promoted to Deputy Chief, effective February 25, 2024.	Chief Vernon
III. New Business	Chief Vernon gave an update on Probation. The department continues to work hard to try and fill vacant positions. The Deputy Probation Officers are still working at the facility in order to meet minimum standards. Eleven new employees will be sworn in on February 13, 2024.	Chief Vernon

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<p>IV. Action Items</p> <p>a. Approve CCP Minutes</p> <p>1. November 13, 2023</p> <p>b. Approve Distribution of Growth Funding (FY 22-23)</p>	<p>Pending</p> <p>Pending</p> <p>The base funding for FY 2022-23 is \$1,210,940.31. Of that amount, 10% automatically goes into the Local Innovation Fund, leaving a total of \$1,089,846.28. The \$1,089,846.28 is split equally between Probation and Sheriff with \$544,923.14 for each of them.</p> <p>At the Governor's January 10th budget meeting, it was reported that there would be no more grant funding for counties that submit their plans. The fear is due to budget deficits, the state may look into other areas they could make cuts to. It is important not to get too far ahead with spending to make sure current services can be maintained.</p> <p>At the next CCP, there will be a discussion on how Jail Medical will continue to be funded for FY 24-25 and beyond, so the entirety does not all come from Probation funds. A suggestion is to have the funds come off the top before the money is split between Probation and Sheriff or do a pro rata share.</p> <p>Currently in the middle of RFP and looking at possible changes to the provider. Hopefully, by the next CCP, more will be known in order to make an informed decision going forward.</p>	<p>Chief Vernon</p>

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Next Meeting Date:	TBD (Possibly May 13 th or 20 th)	Chief Vernon
Minutes Prepared By:	Jennifer Noel, Staff Services Analyst	
MINUTES READ / APPROVED BY: Kelly Vernon, Chief Probation Officer		