

**Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council
Program Review and Development Subcommittee
MINUTES**

October 9, 2023

NEXT MEETING:

November 13, 2023 (CANCELLED)

December 11, 2023 (CANCELLED)

January 8, 2023

3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

JJCC Subcommittee Members Present: Chris Modica, Veronica Martinez, Michael Rodriguez, Jennifer Dougherty, Noe Villa, Maureen Byrne.

Absent:

Other meeting attendees: Aramis Nahabedian, Mike Kitchen, Kate English, Jessie Juarez, Danica Salvagio

Discussion/Conclusions	Recommendations/Actions	Responsible
<p>1. Call to Order Chris Modica called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.</p>		
<p>2. Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No announcements 		
<p>3. Public Comments for Items not on the agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None heard. None received telephonically or via email. 		
<p>4. Approval of the September 11, 2023, minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jennifer moved to approve the September 11, 2023, meeting minutes; Noe seconded the motion All in favor; minutes approved. 		
<p>5. Discuss and vote to recommend to the JJCC, funding for youth programming/services using the community care navigation system/team, in the amount of \$175,000</p> <p>Chris explained that the JJCC, while in favor of the concept of providing services to TAYs on adult probation supervised in the juvenile division, sent the matter back to conduct more research.</p> <p>Discussion ensued. Updated the request to the following: The updated ask would be to use JJCPA funds to provide services to 1) juvenile probationers up to the age of 21 2) juvenile probationers up to age 25, and 3)adult probationers up to age 25 that are supervised in the juvenile division.</p> <p>Motion to recommend to the JJCC funding for youth programming/services using the community care navigation system/team, in the amount of \$175,000 for juvenile probationers up to the age of 25, and to support adult probation TAYs up to age 25 All in favor; motion unanimously approved.</p>		
<p>6. Discuss and vote to recommend to the JJCC, increased funding to Big Brothers/Big Sisters Simi Valley evening reporting center (ERC), from \$157,456 to \$199,000 (\$41,544 annual increase)</p> <p>Danica Salvagio and Jessie Juarez, presented a PowerPoint presentation (see attachment titled Ventura Ojai ERC PowerPoint 1).</p> <p>Big Brothers/Big Sisters are requesting to increase their current funding by \$41,544 annually.</p> <p>Danica explained that they have been receiving lots of referrals and are nearing their capacity.</p> <p>Jessie explained that they are looking to hire a program coordinator and activities coordinator who would facilitate activities and transportation.</p>		

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<p>Funding would also support employee benefits. Jessie stated that rent has increased (approximately \$10,000). Danika explained that the biggest obstacle getting youth to the facility is transportation. The ERC averages about 27 kids a month currently, but they can accommodate about 40 youth total at the site. Most referrals are referred through Probation. Big Brothers Big Sisters conducts an assessment which includes a goal plan. Jessie explained that youth can participate in the program as long as they'd like to and that they currently have a 70% retention rate. Jessie spotlighted their youth leadership council. The youth leaders identify something in the community that they feel could be made better and develop a plan to enhance it.</p> <p>Motion to request an increase in funding for Big Brothers Big Sisters from \$157,456 to 199,000 from the JJCC committee. Michael moved; Noe seconded; All in favor; motion approved.</p>		
<p>7. Discuss and vote to recommend to the JJCC, increased funding to Big Brothers/Big Sisters Ventura (Pacific View Mall site) ERC, NTE \$192,206</p> <p>Danika explained that they have recently opened a Ventura youth room located at the Pacific View Mall. Their goal would be to replicate the Simi Valley youth room. Jessie explained that with the funding, they would be able to staff a bi-lingual program manager, full-time case manager, activities coordinator, and director of operations. Funding may also cover transportation and background checks. Jessie stated, currently, there are 20-25 youth/day that are dropping in. Their current hours are 2pm-8pm. Jessie explained the importance of this youth room and that the Ventura and Ojai communities are lacking these types of services. Jessie concluded that the goal is to connect each youth with a mentor to achieve their goals.</p> <p>Motion to request increased funding for Big Brothers Big Sisters Ventura (Pacific View Mall site), NTE \$192,206. All in favor; motion approved.</p>		
<p>8. Roundtable</p> <p>Jennifer announced that VCBH recently hired their first RN. Jennifer explained with the RN's onboard, VCBH clinics are able to provide additional services to clients. Jennifer also announced that as of September 1st, VCBH has contracted with Seneca to</p>		

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<p>provide a mobile response team during normal business hours.</p> <p>Veronica shared that the quality improvement video for best practices during a SARB meeting has been completed. She will share the video once she has been provided approval. Veronica concluded by stating that the Public Health Nurses are facilitating the parenting classes. They currently have about 15-18 families enrolled.</p> <p>Chris announced that the JJCC approved the funding for the youth advocate as well as increased funding for One Step a la Vez.</p>		
<p>9. Adjourned – Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.</p>		