

Proposed Data Requests from Care First Jails Last Task Force to County Agencies

The following three requests from the Care First Jails Last (CFJL) Task Force are designed to identify the nexus between behavioral health diagnoses, services, and incarceration in Alameda County, in order to generate evidence-based recommendations for the well-being and decarceration of persons with mental health or substance use disorder diagnoses or other ACBH involvement. Because the county produces data on justice involvement separately from data on behavioral health, and because of HIPAA restrictions, we are requesting cooperation of justice agencies and ACBH to generate data on this critical nexus, as mandated in the [2021 Care First resolution](#).

The Care First resolution, approved unanimously by the Board of Supervisors in 2021, states that:

"Be it further resolved that all Alameda County agencies that can contribute to advancing a Care First, Jails Last policy will gather and share data with Alameda County Behavioral Health Care department, where permitted by health privacy and confidentiality and not prohibited by other applicable laws, for the purposes of 1) coordinating the systems of criminal justice, behavioral health care, and wraparound services including public benefits, social services, and housing; 2) identifying and measuring unmet needs for behavioral health and other wraparound services, and, to the extent possible, measuring the impact of behavioral health and other wraparound services, and 3) reducing the number of people with mental illness, substance use disorder, or co-occurring disorders in our jail"

1. We request that District Attorney's Office (DAO) supply to ACBH, within 30 days, a data set of all persons aged 18 and older charged by the DAO since January 1, 2015, with the following information, preferably in Excel or csv format, for each year (2015 - 2022):

- Name
- Race
- Gender identification
- Age category
- Most narrow categories of charges and offenses available (* see below)
- Charge level (felony, infraction, misdemeanor)
- Charge decisions (charged complaint only, charged petition only, charged complaint and petition, further investigation, rejected)
- Agency (responsible for arrest)
- Court (branch) that reviewed
- Time spent in Santa Rita Jail (if DAO possesses)
- Number of stays in Santa Rita Jail (if DAO possesses)
- Number of offers to adjudicate in behavioral health court
- Acceptance of offers to adjudicate in behavioral health court

* Categories of charges and offenses should include but not be limited to:

- Felonies: homicide; rape; manslaughter; DUI; domestic violence; internet crimes; auto theft; grand theft; robbery; burglary; drug possession; drug distribution; aggravated battery; fraud; gang cases; criminal threats; and other alleged felonies.
- Misdemeanors: Probation violations; prostitution; assault and battery; drug possession; trespassing; public intoxication; shoplifting; petty theft; DWI/DUI; and other alleged misdemeanors.

2. We request that Alameda County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) supply to ACBH a data set within 30 days of all persons charged by the DAO since January 1, 2015, with the following information, preferably in Excel or csv format, for each year (2015 - 2022):

- Name
- Race
- Gender identification
- Age category
- Agency (responsible for arrest)
- Time spent in Santa Rita Jail
- Number of stays in Santa Rita Jail

3. We request that ACBH match the data on adults from DAO and ACSO with ACBH data. If this requires a Memorandum of Understanding between ACBH, DAO and ACSO, we ask that the agencies agree on such an MOU in an expedited manner.

Specifically, we ask ACBH to share with the CFJL Task Force de-identified numbers, in a manner that protects privacy, of each of the following, preferably in Excel or csv format, for *each of the categories of data provided by DAO and ACSO*, annually since Jan. 1, 2015:

- Number of persons who are ACBH clients**
- Number of Seriously Mentally Ill persons**
- Diagnoses of seriously mentally ill persons
- Number of persons identified as having substance use disorders
- Number of admissions, each, to John George, Villa Fairmont, and Gladman, by modality of service
 - Number of each of the above who were admitted to Santa Rita, before/after they were admitted to John George, Villa Fairmont, and Gladman
- Homelessness status (by number of episodes and by number of clients) (this may be data maintained by OHCC, in which case we request that ACBH collaborate with OHCC)
- Requests for housing services (including number of requests made)
- Number of clients offered/accepted Full-Service Partnerships
 - Number of the above who were admitted to Santa Rita, before/after they were offered/accepted FSP
- Number clients offered/accepted Crisis Residential Treatment slot
 - Number of the above who were admitted to Santa Rita, before/after they were offered/accepted CRT slot
- Number of clients offered/accepted Licensed Board and Care
 - Number of the above who were admitted to Santa Rita, before/after they were offered/accepted Licensed Board and Care
- Number of clients offered/accepted into substance use disorder or co-occurring treatment programs
 - Number of the above who were admitted to Santa Rita, before/after they were offered/accepted into substance use disorder or co-occurring treatment programs
- Distribution by city of residence (or by County for those outside Alameda County)

*** Provide the definition used for ACBH clients and for Seriously Mentally Ill persons in the data set*