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Care First, Jails Last (CFJL) Ad-Hoc Committee Summary

Location: 2000 Embarcadero Cove, Suite 400, Oakland, CA (Chabot Conference Room)

Zoom Link –

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83541678892?pwd=4BZ2ExuBj3GzGz0O5HD3RvU5bTILG.1>

Date: Thursday, July 10, 2025

Time: 1:00PM – 3:00PM

Attendees: Ad Hoc Committee Members, RDA Consulting, ACBHD

Agenda:

- I. Call to order – Introduction/Welcome & Announcements
- II. Agency Subcommittees Report
- III. Data Committee Report
- IV. Next Steps with Board of Supervisors (BOS)
- V. Subject Matter Expert Presentation
- VI. Measure W Conversation
- VII. Parking Lot Review
- VIII. Wrap-up

Communication Updates

- RDA shared an overview of the CFJL Recommendations Tracker and the Strategy Areas Outcomes documents
- The recommendations tracker outlines recommendations that need to be raised to the Boards attention, organized by each strategy area that has implementation considerations and expected outcomes. It was noted that the tracker can be useful to redistribute the expected outcomes as a way of measuring overall progress against the recommendations.
- The tracker is a reference table that can be a good baseline to set in terms of preparing for board meetings and identifying what the subcommittees are asking from the agencies.
- Key elements defined in the tracker were taken from the May 22nd Board of Supervisors (BOS) meeting. The committee can provide their comments, however; any changes will require RDA's consent.
- Strategy Area Outcomes are outcomes by strategy areas pulled from the original report. The committee will be able to assess how to measure outcomes and provide their comments specific to those strategy areas with recommendations that each subcommittee is working on.
- John proposed to link the outcomes document to the recommendation's tracker.
- RDA agreed to convert the tracker to a spreadsheet as requested by majority of the subcommittee members. Jamon will also provide an online tutorial on the usage and functionalities of the tracker.



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Agency subcommittee Report

- **CAO subcommittee report**

The sub-committee met on June 10; and met CAO for the first time on June 11. Discussions were focused on budget transparency recommendations. CAO raised a query on one (1) recommendation related to air first population since CAO are during budget preparations. Next meeting is scheduled on August 4.

- **Behavioral Health subcommittee report**

The subcommittee convened on June 26 at 1pm. Challenges considered were interagency recommendations and some of the interagency spaces that have been identified in the group such as the multi-disciplinary forensic task force; the bed committee and the AV109 committee.

The committee reviewed Chair Bloom's document on existing beds in Alameda County. It was noted the team will reach out to Director James Wagner regarding questions on Depot Road BHCIP beds.

It was reported that Katy is taking the lead on moving forward recommendations 9A and 9B. Katy also identified existing programs called the AD Recovery Outreach and Connection (ADROC) and Transitional Aged Youth Recovery and Outreach Connection (TAYROC). She'll find out if both ADROC and TAYROC can be leveraged with recommendations 9A and 9B. Chair Bloom mentioned that Telecare projects have the funds to run these programs.

- **District Attorney (DA)**

The subcommittee have not met since last month. It was reported that the committee were invited to the DA in-house Mental Health Commission (MHC) group meeting which is held every month. There is currently no schedule for the next MHC meeting.

- **Housing (HCD and H&H)**

The subcommittee convened on July 3. Discussions were focused on how strong the need is for Board and Cares. Kathleen and Tash drafted the board letters to be sent to Supervisor Nate Miley. Issues raised were Measure W; what it can do in a home together plan; and Ad Hoc committee's position on Measure W. It was raised that the home together plan does not talk about Board and Cares, which is permanent support for housing. Likewise, it will be more productive to mention that the Board and Cares will take position with Supervisor Miley, the full board and the Ad Hoc committee. It was noted the county has an idea on how Measure W funds will be used. A follow-up meeting is scheduled for July 22nd.

- **Probation department**

The sub-committee met once with Corrine Lee, liaison for PD. The meeting was very productive. It was mentioned that Corrine's knowledge relates to



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community services for justice involved, particularly re-entry. The team cited there is another branch which recounts to adult court services; and those related to ports or pretrial programs. The committee will look to expand their reach with PD on these issues. Currently, no follow up meeting is scheduled.

- **Public Defender's Office**

The sub-committee reported PDO schedules are full; and possibly will meet either next week or the 3rd week of July. Kari shared information about the grant from the Department of State Hospitals for diversion and court staffing. It was noted that the full allocation of funds has not been disclosed. It was disclosed that both the DA and PD offices are still in discussion on the Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) grant diversion program. Updates will be conveyed once they are available.

- **Sheriff's Office**

The subcommittee was convened on July 7. Vice Chair Land shared that they had a good meeting with their new contact, Commander Mc Grail. It was noted that Grail invited the committee for a tour and will show some of their programs. One of the Items discussed was work skills programs. It was cited problems and challenges highlighted are getting immediate access to housing and services which is very slow; safe landing project; and space offered in jail to CBOs to meet people and provide services.

It was mentioned that Kelly Ossup, a social worker who used to run the Youth and Family Services and Community Outreach and Re-entry Empowerment (CORE) works for the sheriff's office. Other items for follow-up are the need for forensic psychiatric hospital and pre-release programs.

- **Alameda County Social Services Agency**

Currently, members are unassigned. It was reported there is a liaison in the agency.

- **Superior Court**

The sub-committee reported they are scheduled to meet with Gavin O'Neal to continue discussions on data metrics in assessing the collaborative courts program. The committee has submitted public records requests to the court on a different category. Other items discussed were on pre-trial services program which are meant to identify people early on in jail and services needed. They are awaiting funding the plan if the county will be funding the court program. It was noted that there is a reluctance on part of Supervisor Nate Miley. It was also cited that the court program will be run by the probation department (PD) to ensure the program evolves; and that data is collected.



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Data Committee Report

- The subcommittee convened on June 3. It was reported there are outstanding public records act requests related to state behavioral health services for unmet needs. Documents for these requests were submitted alongside BHCIP applications, response is due by August 23rd.
- ACBHD Director, Dr. Tribble stated that ACBH was involved and assisted in the applications through the Indigo project. It was noted that ACBH does not own the property; therefore, cannot set the applications. Only the actual proprietors or owners of the properties are the ones to be able to view the applications. Dr. Tribble will follow through on any updates regarding how much information is included in each application and will update the committee once the data is available. Next meeting has yet to be determined.

Next Steps with Board of Supervisors (BOS)

- RDA disclosed next steps with BOS will focus on the email discussion with Erin Armstrong, chief of staff of Supervisor Nate Miley; and the Joint Health and Public Protection committee meeting scheduled for October 13.
- Chair Bloom shared feedback from the May 22nd BOS meeting focused on the board letter. It was reported that the board letter was forwarded to Erin Armstrong.
- The committee needs to get more clarification from Erin on what precisely is needed from the CFJL Task Force regarding the recommendations.
- It was brought up that in the joint meeting scheduled for Monday, October 13, CFJL Task Force may give a presentation, or the meeting will focus on the issues discussed in the May 22nd BOS meeting.
- ACBHD Director, Dr. Tribble confirmed Oct13 joint health committee meeting will be a follow-up to the May 22nd BOS presentation. Dr. Tribble suggests reaching out to Erin Armstrong, chief of staff of Supervisor Miley, who is the key person to get clarifications on what will be the role of the Ad Hoc committee in the Oct 13 joint meeting.
- It was mentioned that there were two (2) separate matters. First, a board letter will be presented at the regular Tuesday meeting. An action will be posted, and the Board will take measures. Secondly, once that happens irrespective of the October date, the Board is hoping for another update since the Board can't take any action on that date. This will qualify as the regular bi-annual presentation that the Board is expecting. Should the Board reach an agreement, then it will be submitted as a formal board letter.
- Chair Bloom explained their understanding from Erin was that the supervisors on the Joint committee are not amenable to elevate to BOS; instead, the staff will do the analysis, discussions and work.



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- Sarina raised that she thinks the staff will gather the information.
- On the other hand, Julie deems it will be a lapse for the committee to come up with new recommendations in the Oct meeting when the committee haven't fully responded to the recommendations presented in the May 22nd BOS meeting.
- RDA proposed to meet with the staff of each of the supervisors and possibly get updates.
- RDA proposed the subcommittees to have weekly planning meetings starting August to outline which recommendations are to be prioritized. By September, the committee will go through the recommendations and decide on data to be included in the report. It was noted that the final package will be delivered to Alameda County on October 6.
- John conveyed a message from Erin Armstrong that the Oct 13 joint meeting will tackle issues discussed in the May 22nd BOS presentation. In this regard, the committee may not be obliged to do another presentation at the joint committee meeting in October.

Subject Matter Expert Presentation

Nothing to report.

Measure W Conversation

The subcommittee shared updates on Measure W funding particularly on the proposal 90-10; of which 90% to be allotted for Housing and Homelessness (H&H), and 10% for advocating healthcare access, particularly mental health prevention and early intervention programs impacted by Prop.

It was noted approvals on the funding will have to come from all five (5) supervisors, specifically Supervisor Nikki Fortunato Bas. It was emphasized the importance of Board and Cares. The team will prepare the draft letter; identify who will edit and circulate to all members for their comments. The committee will try to reach a consensus on the letter by July 17th and send the letter to all the Board of Supervisors (BOS).

Parking Lot Review

1. Chair Bloom will have talks with Dr. Noha of Roots Community Health Center and Commander Mc Grail. He urged the committee members to have discussions or subject matter experts so the members can share and ask questions.

Wrap-up

Meeting adjourned at 3pm.

Next meeting date: August 7, 2025