



# Findings to Allow Teleconferenced Meetings Under California Government Code Section 54953(e)

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San Francisco Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council's DJJ  
Realignment Subcommittee  
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- On September 16, 2021, the Governor signed AB 361, a bill that amends the Brown Act to allow local policy bodies to continue to meet by teleconferencing during a state of emergency....provided that the policy bodies make certain findings at least once every 30 days
- Most recent emergency order by the Mayor requires all bodies, except BOS and disciplinary hearings, to continue meeting virtually
- Subcommittee must make two findings (and vote) today on whether to continue remote meetings

# Teleconferencing Meetings Continued

Must make two findings:

1) That the DJJ Realignment Subcommittee has considered the circumstances of the state of emergency and 2) that one of the following circumstances exist:

(a) The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person

**OR**

(b) State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing



# DJJ Realignment Updates

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# DJJ Realignment Updates

- OYCR Review of San Francisco's DJJ Realignment Plan
- OYCR's Newsletter: [OYCR Newsletter 3.11.22.pdf \(ca.gov\)](#)
- ROCA Baltimore Site Visit

## **As of December 2021, the DJJ Realignment Subcommittee has voted to:**

1. Leverage existing community resources & investments for young people on probation.
  2. Use state JJRBG funding to **address specific gaps** identified by subcommittee gap analyses.
  3. **Invest nearly 100% of Year 1 JJRBG funding (\$807,000) in community-based services to address the following areas** identified by the subcommittee gap analyses\*:
    - Credible Messenger Life Coaches
    - Whole Family Support & Direct/Flexible Funding for Young People and Their Families
    - Collective Training
    - Personalized Programming in the Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF)
- **The Subcommittee is currently discussing program components for the first two gap areas so that DCYF can issue RFPs and we can get community-based programming online ASAP:**
    - 1) credible messenger life coaches and 2) whole family support and flexible/direct funding to young people and their families. The procurement process will take four months from start to end.

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- Subcommittee does gap analyses; determines funding priorities for SF's DJJ Realignment Plan

- Subcommittee votes to approve plan; votes to approve funding priorities for Year One & Year Two of funding; submits plan to OYCR

- Prepare Requests for Proposals for Credible Messenger Life Coaches and Whole Family Support/Direct Funding

- Discuss Restorative Justice and Healing Approaches, Step Up/Down Programs, and Out of County Vetting Process
- Release, score, and select grantees for Credible Messenger Life Coaches and Whole Family Support

- Release RFPs for Restorative Justice & Healing Approaches, Step Up/Down Programs
- Planning period for new life coach and family support grantees; programming and services begin

- Year One & Two JJRBG programs and services are delivered
- Planning for FY 2023-24 funding; update DJJ Realignment Plan as juvenile hall replacement is determined
- Review of first full year of DJJ Realignment and SYTF

# Before Beginning Either Program Component Discussion:

- Updated guidance from City Attorney states,
  - If you will be recusing yourself from one or both of the program discussions, you actually have to “leave the room until after the discussion, vote, and any other disposition of the matter is concluded”
    - We will discuss Credible Messenger Life Coaches first and then Whole Family Support & Direct Funding
    - If you recused yourself during the last meeting for certain discussions, you should do so again today





# Credible Messenger Life Coaches Program Components

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## DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

- Facilitate groups with DJJ youth focused around self-enrichment, addressing criminogenic needs and behaviors, mindset and lifestyle change, independent living skills, career readiness, and reentry into the community.
- Work collaboratively with DJJ personnel to help address issues and challenges within the facilities involving the youth we work with.
- Meet individually with youth to develop descriptive Life Plans that are individually tailored to each youth's needs and interests.
- Support youth in preparing for Board Hearings at the institution.
- At the request of the institution, speak at staff trainings and participate in management meetings to assist, as needed, in improving institutional culture.
- Continue support the young people as they transition back into the community to guide and support their adjustment back into the community and link the young person to ARC services, resources, activities, and opportunities.

ARC has brought a similar model in Sacramento County Juvenile Hall (which also serves as Sac's SYTF)

# New York & DC's Approach

- **NYC's ARCHES Program (community-based):**

- Deep relationship building
- Life path plans
- Serve as life coaches proactive support and co-navigation
- 24-hour availability and responsiveness
- Structured groups
- Crisis intervention

- **DC (facility and community-based):**

- Different teams of mentors in custody vs in the community
- Mentors infused into the fabric and operations of the facility; teamed up with facility staff; present during all waking hours (and beyond!)
- Clarity of roles, especially for staff and mentors in the facility
- Community-based mentors role similar to NYC
- Expanded to work with whole family
- Groups and individual intervention and support
- Not a group or program but **a relationship** to help navigate young person's life and path

# Main Takeaways

- 2 models
  - In-custody model
  - Community model
- Hiring & vetting process – for community credibility and demonstrated transformation
- Training, support, and professional development opportunities
- Clarity of roles
- Livable wage – so that life coach is a sustainable, full-time job

# Program Components Discussion

- Role is primary/independent of system; not court-ordered or a probation function
- Develop/build towards model that centers credible messenger program/paradigm shift in facility, including transformative facility staffing/training/interactions
- Support credible messengers with holistic services to address primary and secondary trauma
- History of demonstrated experience offering these services, and providing support to their staff
- Describe how program/services will be incorporated into secure confinement programming; how program/services will operate in the community; in placement, across settings as young people move through their lives, etc. for the realignment population.



# Whole Family Support & Direct Funding to Youth and Families

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# Funding Areas

- Peer Family System Navigation Services
- Whole Family Therapy and/or Family Wellness & Bonding Activities
- Young Parents Parenting Programming & Support
- Flexible and direct funding for juvenile justice-involved young people and their families

# Program Component Discussion

- Funding for transportation for all activities
- For direct funding, engage with partner who has experience providing guaranteed basic income/ direct funding, addressing legal issues.
- Support for family reunification and relocation





# Future Agenda Items

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# Future Agenda Items

- May 10 – Out of County SYTF Vetting Process
- June 14 – Restorative Justice and Healing Approaches Gap Analysis
- July 12 – Step Down/Up Programming