

Reentry Council

City & County of San Francisco

Subcommittee on Direct Services

AGENDA

Thursday, November 8, 2018
2:30-4:30pm
555 7th Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, California 94103

Note: Public comment will be taken throughout the meeting.

1. Introductions (discussion only)
2. Review the draft minutes of September 13, 2018 (discussion and action)
3. Staff Report (discussion only)
 - a. Unexcused Absences of Subcommittee Members
 - b. New BOS Appointed Reentry Council Members
 - c. Mayoral Appointed Reentry Council Seats – Updates
 - d. Subcommittee Retreat
 - e. Passed/Failed 2018 Legislation
4. Report-backs from the five Workgroup committees:
 - a. Reentry Dinner/ Reentry Conference
 - b. Reentry Navigation
 - c. Alternative to Incarceration (programming credits)
 - d. Stop the Violence in the Tenderloin
 - e. Breadwinners/ Toastmasters
 - f. Justice Involved Homeless Transitional Age Youth Group
5. New Business
 - a. Eliminating some of the working groups
 - b. Creating new working groups for 2019
 - I. Voting Outreach and Education Workgroup
6. Member Roundtable and Agenda Items for Next Meeting (discussion only)
7. Adjournment

Next Meeting:
Thursday, January 10, 2019
2:30-4:30pm
TBA

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DRAFT MINUTES
Thursday, September 13, 2018
2:30-4:30pm
25 Van Ness Avenue
Lower Level Conference

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Members Present: Ernest Kirkwood, Angela Coleman, Hadi Razzaq (For Demarris Evans), Freda Randolph, Destiny Pletsch, Alex Weil, Victoria Westbrook, David Wiesner, Chloe Underdue (For Monica Wong)

Members Absent: Amarita King, Charles Adams, Jeanie Austin, Majeid Crawford, Andres Salas, Ali Riker,

Guest Present: None

1. Review the draft minutes of July 12, 2018 (discussion and action)

The draft minutes for July 12, 2018 were passed unanimously.

2. Staff Report

a. Safe Injection Sites Tour

Geoffrea told the group about her tour of the safe injection site exhibit at Glide Memorial. She reported back to the group on how the safe injection site would operate if Governor Brown approved the pilot program.

b. Confirmed List of Subcommittee Members

Geoffrea provided copies of the newly confirmed subcommittee members for both the policy and direct services subcommittees.

c. Amended Subcommittee Rules

Geoffrea provided copies of the newly approved subcommittee rules.

d. BOS Appointed Reentry Council Seats – Recruitment Update

Geoffrea informed the group that nine individuals were vying for the four open seats. She stated the Board of Supervisors' Rules Committee would be hearing all of the interested candidates for the Reentry Council on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 in room 263 at City Hall.

e. Mayoral Appointed Reentry Council Seats - Recruitment Update

Geoffrea informed the group that there were two vacant Mayoral appointed Reentry Council seats. She stated recruitment for these seats would begin after the Board of Supervisors appointed seats were filled.

f. Retreat Dates and Topics

Geoffrea informed the group that both subcommittees would be having a joint Retreat in November or December and that she would be sending out some potential dates for people to vote on.

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a. Community Forums Events

Members of the group were interested in hosting community forums; however, they were unsure at this time on what information they would be providing at these community forums.

b. Retreat Dates:

This topic was covered under item 2(f).

3. Member Roundtable and Agenda Items for Next Meeting (discussion only)

No member roundtable occurred under this item.

4. Adjournment

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Public Defender's Office
555 7th Street, the 3rd Floor

Development, the Department of Youth Children and their Families, the Human Services Agency, the Department of Public Health and the San Francisco Unified School District. Each department will bring their specific expertise and resources to the Rising Up Campaign to empower youth with access to jobs, training opportunities, and health and educational resources. The Human Services Agency will also work to identify eligible youth currently in foster care.

"I would like to thank all of the City departments, non-profit youth providers, funders and key private sector partners who are coming together in service of our youth," said Jeff Kositsky, director of the Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing. "We know that our youth are resilient and capable; working together we will meet their grit and determination with housing and job opportunities."

The Golden Gate Restaurant Association and Hotel Council have committed to help identify jobs for youth in the City's thriving hospitality sector. REDF, a venture-philanthropy organization, has also committed to placing Rising Up youth in supported employment opportunities in social enterprises throughout the City. Larkin Street Youth Services will serve as the fiscal sponsor for Rising Up and work with a network of youth providers, including Huckleberry Youth Services, First Place for Youth, 3rd Street Youth Center and Clinic, SF LGBT Center, New Door Ventures, Lyric, Young Community Developers and Young Women's Freedom Center, to help ensure that eligible participants are being connected to housing and jobs. San Francisco is currently seeking an additional \$21 million in governmental and philanthropic support as well as additional funding, jobs and apartments from the private sector.

"No young person should have to sleep on the street," said Sheryllyn Adams, Executive Director of Larkin Street Youth Services. "We are beyond excited that the City is taking this huge stand by investing significant resources on proven, sustainable strategies to reduce youth homelessness at least 50% over the next three years. This is also an investment in preventing chronic homelessness because we know that half of homeless people in San Francisco first experienced homelessness before the age of 25. Rising Up will make a difference in the long term and today."

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Hi Dave,

10-8-18

I'm glad I was able to speak with you Sunday. As you already know, getting ready for parole is like a second thought for CDCR. It sounds like the city of SF is taking a lead. Is this true or does the city support others doing it? I'll include some of the common questions from long term offenders. Sometimes, depending on the person, they don't know what to ask. This happens when CDCR takes care of all your needs. We do have a transitions class that runs for guys leaving in the next six months. This isn't the case with life prisoners being found suitable. Also, the class is watered down. Nothing connecting the class to the community. I spoke to a couple prisoners that are aides in the class. They know almost nothing. Having CDCR prep you to leave is a joke. Everything is up to the prisoner.

We have a computer system in the LTOP - Long Term Offender Program where I work. It's hooked up to the internet that allows searching for resources only. I see jobs with UPS often. I'll be keeping my options open once Tim released. My concern is housing after GEO/Treasure Island.

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