



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY OFFICE OF REENTRY & JUSTICE

(ORJ)

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ORJ MISSION

- ▶ To build on, align, and formalize an office for the advancement of **public safety realignment, reentry** and **justice initiatives** in Contra Costa County.
- ▶ Authorized by the Board of Supervisors as **2.5 year Pilot Project of County Administrator's Office**; established **January 2017**.
- ▶ ***Community Advisory Board*** initiated.

ORJ RESPONSIBILITIES



- ▶ Coordinating array of **services**; **facilitating collaborative efforts** around policy development, operational practices and supportive services;
- ▶ **Advancing knowledge** of relevant issues, news, research and best-practices;
- ▶ **Fostering capacity-building** and partnership development;
- ▶ Conducting the **procurement process, contract management** for CBO reentry service providers;
- ▶ Developing new initiatives and **funding opportunities**;
- ▶ Providing **project management, staff** support;
- ▶ Supporting legislative **advocacy**;
- ▶ Managing **data and evaluation** of services;
- ▶ Conducting **public outreach**, info sharing and **community engagement**.

ORJ STAFFING



1. **ORJ DIRECTOR, *ACTING***
2. **ORJ DEPUTY DIRECTOR**
3. **SENIOR MANAGEMENT ANALYST**
4. **RESEARCH & EVALUATION MANAGER:
*FY 18-19***
5. **SECRETARY: 0.5 FTE *SHARED WITH CAO***
6. **INTERN/FELLOW (*STIPEND*)**

ORJ PROJECTS



1. **Reentry Strategic Plan Update:** *What do we want the Reentry System to look like in 5 years?*
2. **Pre-Release Planning Project:** *Developing Individual Reentry Transition Plans prior to release & warm-handoffs from custody to community.*
3. **Pre-Trial Services:** *Providing evidenced-based evaluation and supervision services since March 2014, with a 62% success rate.*
4. **Racial Justice Task Force Project:** *Reducing disproportionate minority contact with justice system.*
5. **Youth Justice Initiative (YJI):** *Youth reentry planning & schoolwide prevention and intervention pilot projects; federally funded 3-year grant in final year.*
6. **Central & East Ceasefire Program:** *Focused Deterrence on gang members; gun violence reduction.*
7. **Government Alliance on Race & Equity (GARE):** *A national network of government agencies working to achieve racial equity and advance opportunities for all.*
8. **Stepping Up:** *A national initiative focused on reducing the number of people with mental illness in County Jail.*
9. **Smart Reentry Grant:** *Focusing services on Transition Aged Youth (TAY) population in Antioch (collaboration with Probation)*
10. **CoCo LEAD +:** *Prop. 47 funded, based in Antioch, to implement new arrest-diversion protocols and intensive, coordinated services for people with behavioral health issues, repeatedly arrested for an array of low-level, non-violent charges. (Collaboration with Antioch Police, the Contra Costa Housing Authority, the County's H3, Probation, and CBOs)*

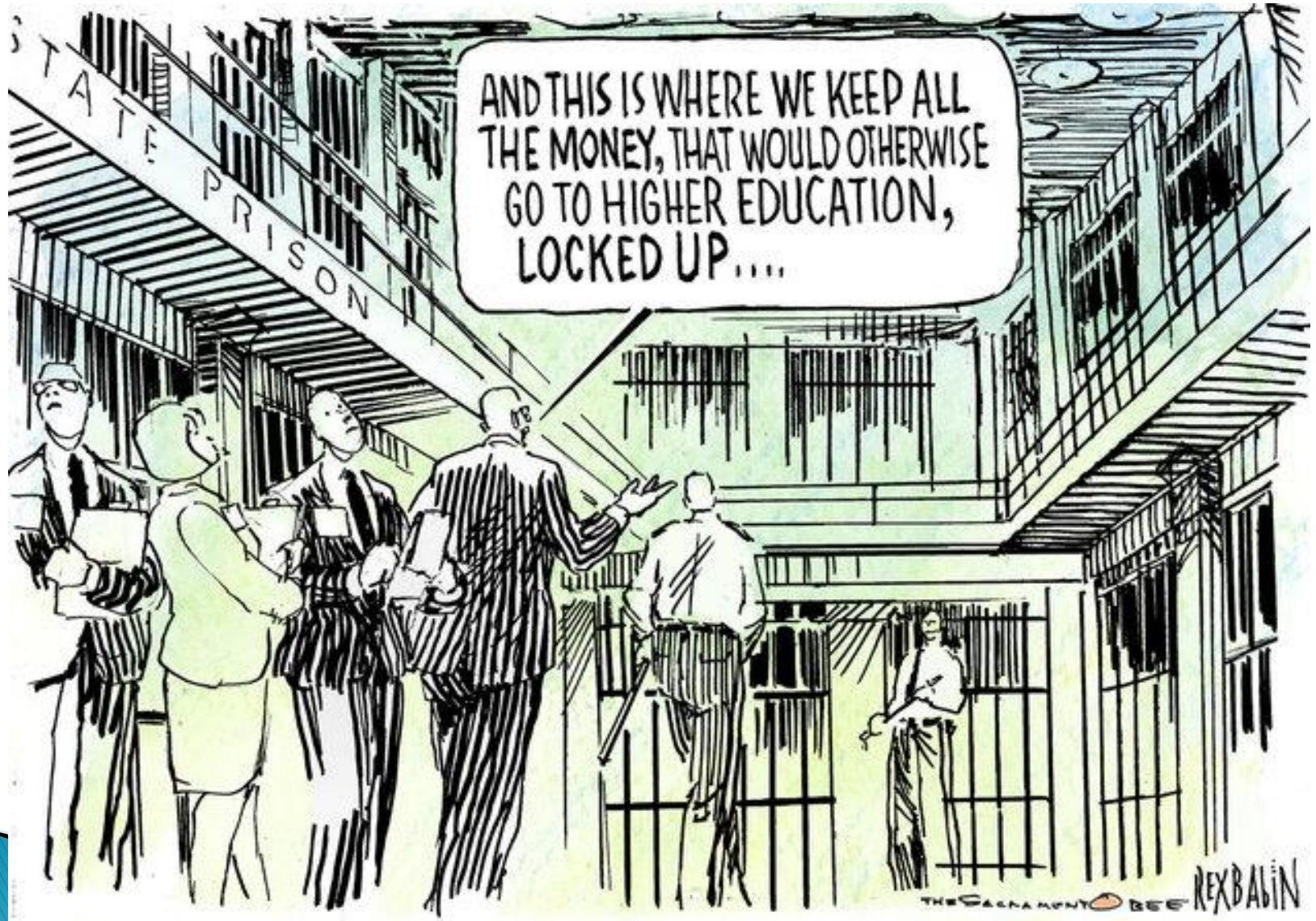
How did we get here?

California's **Re-arrest Rate** was Mid-range
But our **Return to Prison** Rate was High

State	Re-arrested with 3– Years	Returned to Prison within 3–Years
California	70%	66%
Florida	79%	53%
Illinois	77%	38%
New York	67%	56%
North Carolina	61%	48%
Texas	58%	26%

Source: Fischer 2005

The Cost of Our Correctional Policies



RECENT RECIDIVISM REPORTS



2016, 2017 CDCR Report

- Men comprised more than **90%**; their three-year conviction rate for FY 2011-12 is **55%**. For 2012-13 it is **46.8%**
- The FY 2011-12 three-year conviction rate for women is **46.8%**. For 2012-13 it is **37.6%**.
- Offenders **age 18 and 19 have the highest three-year conviction rate** of all age groups. It is **67.3 %** for FY 2011-12 and **62.4%** for those released in 2012-13.
- The conviction rates of those who received **in-prison substance abuse treatment and completed community-based substance abuse treatment** programs are lower. Those released in 2011-12 have a three-year conviction rate of **36.7%**; **29.2%** for those released in 2012-13.

2017 PPIC Report

- Contra Costa was the only county to see a reduction for 1-year rearrest and reconviction rates for both PRCS (prison to Probation) and 1170(h) (jail to Probation) populations

PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE OF CALIFORNIA 2017



- Public Policy Institute Report (statewide)

Individuals on PRCs have slightly higher recidivism rates than similar individuals before realignment



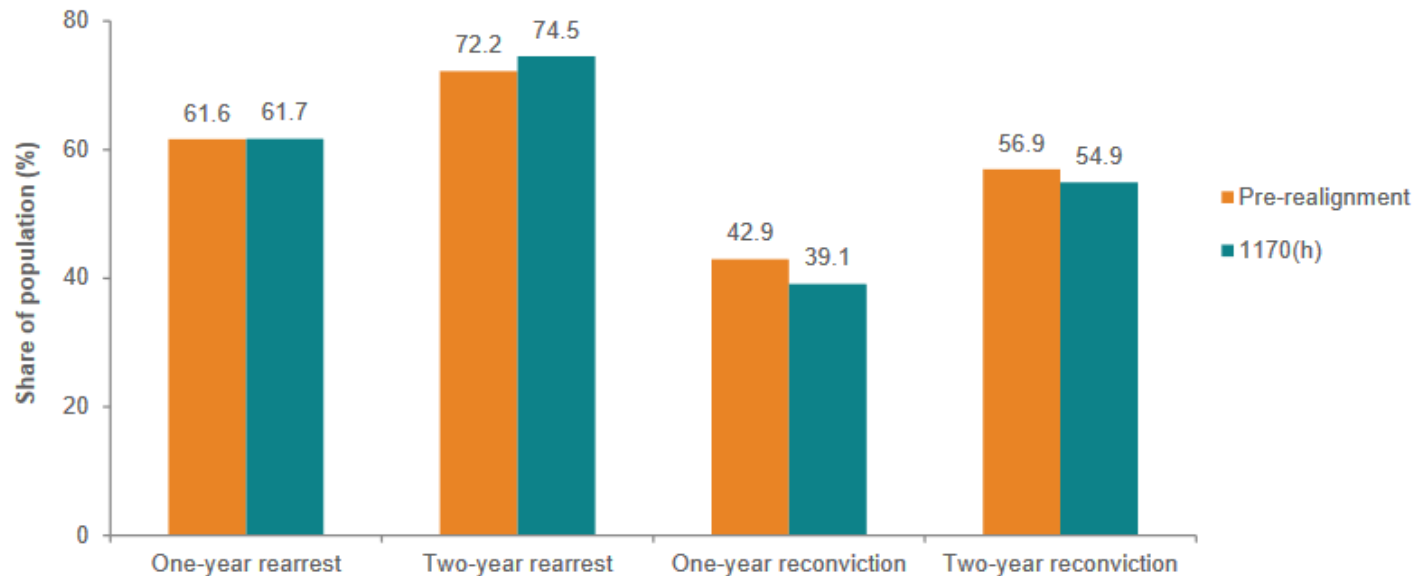
- Contra Costa saw around 1 percentage point drop in 1-year rearrest rate, and about 10 percentage point drop in 1-year conviction rate

PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE OF CALIFORNIA 2017



- Public Policy Institute Report (statewide)

The effects of realignment on recidivism vary among those sentenced under 1170(h)



- Contra Costa saw around 10 percentage point drop in 1-year rearrest rate, and about 17 percentage point drop in 1-year reconviction rate

Key Achievements in CCC



Implemented CAB recommended AB 109 Community Programs:
Employment, Housing, Mentoring, Family Reunification, Civil Legal Services

Developed the **Central-East County Reentry Network**, managed by HealthRight360

Opened the **Reentry Success Center** in Nov. 2015

Created a **Racial Justice Task Force** to study racial disparities in the County Criminal Justice System



AB 109 Coming Attractions

Innovative Reentry Projects:

Richmond
Workforce
Development
Board, Fast
Eddie's Auto
Training

Capacity
Building Project

On-going
Trainings from
the **Central-East
Reentry
Network,
Reentry Success
Center**

Salesforce
Implementation

REENTRY STRATEGIC PLAN

UPDATE



Expected Completion In April 2018

CENTRAL/EAST CEASEFIRE



1. **Working Groups** established in Concord, Antioch, Pittsburg, and Brentwood/Oakley
2. Pittsburg Sergeant Cassandra Wilkerson dedicated full-time as **Ceasefire Coordinator**
3. **Outreach List** developed (*identified as highest risk for gun violence*)
4. Antioch developing a **"Night Walk"** program
5. Pittsburg planning a **"Call-in Notification"**
6. Technical assistance from **Oakland and Richmond** Ceasefire programs

PRE-TRIAL SERVICES

PROGRAM UPDATE



1. Program Stats

- Risk-Based Pre-Trial Release for **892** people to date
- **64% Success Rate**, only 8% arrested for a new crime

2. On the horizon

- **State legislation** to replace money bail with risk based assessment
- **New Appeals court ruling** requiring a person's ability to pay be considered when making money bail
- Currently undertaking a **"Front-End" system assessment**, to inform program redesign

RACIAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE



RJTF launched on April 5, 2017. RJTF meets monthly to **identify priorities, review data, discuss best practices, and develop recommendations** related to racial disparities in criminal and juvenile justice systems and processes in CCC.

5 Community Forums held in Oct.-Nov. 2017. 3 Planned for March 2018.

April – June 2017: **Project Launch**

- o Review of Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems and Data
- o Identification of Initial Priority Areas

July 2017 – Oct. 2017: **Focus on Local Law Enforcement**

- o Review data on juvenile and adult arrest trends to identify disparities
- o Discussion of Best Practices
- o Development of Preliminary Recommendations

Nov. 2017 – Jan. 2018: **Focus on Juvenile Justice**

- o Review data on County juvenile justice trends to identify disparities
- o Discussion of Best Practices
- o Development of Preliminary Recommendations

Feb. 2018 – April 2018: **Focus on Criminal Justice**

- o Review data on County criminal justice trends to identify disparities
- o Discussion of Best Practices
- o Development of Preliminary Recommendations

May 2018 – June 2018: **Prioritize and Finalize Recommendations**

- o Integrate and prioritize preliminary recommendations
- o Finalize recommendations

GARE



Dwayne Marsh, *Deputy Director for Government Alliance on Race and Equity*, will provide his slide deck.

ORJ 2018



1. Personnel

- A. Research & Evaluation Manager: *Need to recruit and fill for July 1, 2018 start*
- B. Director of Office of Reentry & Justice: *Need to develop job description, create class, recruit and fill*
- C. Intern: *Recruit, find space*

2. Administration

- A. Communications and Outreach Program: *Develop in collaboration with Reentry Network & Reentry Success Center*
- B. Determine outcome of ORJ Pilot Program; *final year of Pilot Project budgeted funding FY 2018-19*
- C. AB 109 Annual Report
- D. Salesforce Administration
- E. Racial Equity Action Plan