



# SAN FRANCISCO COLLABORATIVE COURTS

## **CJC Advisory Meeting Notes Thursday February 20, 2014**

**In attendance:** Judge Braden C. Woods, Superior Court; Judith Garvey, District Attorney's Office; Lisa Lightman, Superior Court; Simin Shamji, Public Defender's Office; Matt Podolin, Controller's Office; Peg Stevenson, Controller's Office; Craig Murdock, Dept. of Public Health; Cmdr. Joe Garrity, SFPD; Capt. Michael Redmond, SFPD; Capt. Jason Cherniss, SFPD; Susie McKinnon, North of Market/Tenderloin Community Benefit Corporation; Greg Barge, District Attorney's Office; Lailah Morris, District Attorney's Office; Cristel Tulloch, Adult Probation Department; Bevan Dufty, HOPE; Allyson West, Superior Court

### ◆ Update on CJC Activities

- Data

CJC numbers remain somewhat static, but VJC numbers are rising somewhat as we get more referrals. See attached handout.

- Current Clinical Groups

CJC DPH case managers are holding 14 groups per week at the service center. Only CJC clients who have undergone a clinical assessment are in the groups to ensure proper placement and mix. See attached handout.

- Other (mentor court site)

CJC has applied to be a national mentor court site through the Center for Court Innovation. This will bring more national attention to the work being done, and other courts will visit to learn about our procedures and clinical practices.

### ◆ Veterans Court Update

VJC has 37 current clients, has seen 59 clients total since April, 2013. Things are going well with the VA and the court is applying for a grant to expand services to

veterans with other than honorable discharges. We are hoping to provide housing vouchers and perhaps payee services.

- ◆ Discussion on 2-3 core goals for the year

CJC is looking for community service projects and better visibility in the community. Allyson, Judith and Lisa are happy to give presentation to interested groups at community/neighborhood meetings. We are also looking to work more closely with the neighborhood courts.

With community service clients, the CJC could participate in a neighborhood park or garden. Lisa will contact Sam Dodge at DPW to strengthen that partnership.

CJC also needs to raise funds for its motivational incentives program, in which grants are made to high compliance clients to assist in job expenses, education, or medical/dental costs. Bevan Dufty recommended [handup.us](http://handup.us), which does crowdfunding for homeless people.

- ◆ Fifth Anniversary reminder

The CJC 5 Year anniversary celebration is Wednesday March 5 from 1:00 – 2:00 pm at 575 Polk St. and all are welcome.

- ◆ Report out from Advisory Board members

Matt Podolin of the Controller's Office reported on the CJC RAND study. RAND is looking at data for time periods before and after the creation of CJC, and both inside and outside the CJC catchment area. They are now looking at treatment data, which is somewhat problematic as not all of it is collected consistently or in one place. The Controller's Office is looking at options for deliverables. One measurement is recidivism for one year. DPH is working on a usage agreement for protected health data.

Commander Joe Garrity of SFPD reported that they are hiring 300 new officers. Chief Suhr is interested in expanding the CJC catchment area from Baker to Stanyan.

Bevan also reported on housing at 250 Kearny. He is seeking a veterans only housing site at that address when the project is updated and is looking for support from the community for this project.

Simin Shamji reported about Alameda County's Citation Defense Day and how San Francisco would like to replicate it. This would require the cooperation of the Public Defender's Office, District Attorney's Office, Superior Court, DMV, Adult Probation and could be coordinated through Project Homeless Connect.

SFPD's Southern Station is having a meeting on March 19 at 6:30 pm. Hospitality House is expected to be there to talk about services.

**Next Advisory Board Meeting:** Thursday May 15, noon – 1:00 pm

Future 2014 meetings:

Thursday August 21, noon – 1:00 pm

Thursday November 20, noon – 1:00 pm