Community Justice Center

About the Community Justice Center (CJC)
- Launched in March 2009, the CJC serves the Tenderloin, Civic Center, Union Square and SOMA neighborhoods.
- The CJC is a collaboration of the San Francisco Superior Court, Department of Public Health, Office of the District Attorney, Public Defender’s Office, Sheriff’s Department, Police Department, Adult Probation Department, and other community based organizations.
- Legal, clinical, and court professionals work together to address the underlying problems that bring defendants into the justice system.
- Immediate interventions address primary issues including substance use, housing, employment, mental health, and physical health.
- Expedited case processing of 10 days compared to traditional case processing of 45 to 60 days at the Hall of Justice.

Community Justice Service Center
- Co-located with the CJC courtroom.
- Clients access case management, assistance applying for benefits, on-site support groups, and service linkages to community providers.
- CJSC is open to all community members.

Working with the Community
- CJC provides opportunities for participants to give back by performing service hours.
- **Since August 2011, CJC clients have completed over 12,023 hours of community service, a value of more than $180,345 (based on the SF minimum wage: $15 per hour).**
CJC has heard 19,753 cases since March 2009

10,817 defendants involved

3,189 clients assessed for clinical services

2018 Cases

- In 2018, the CJC saw an average of 209 cases per month.
- 40% of CJC charges were felonies in 2018
- 45% of felony charges were drug related, 18% burglary related, and 20% related to theft/stolen property.
- Most misdemeanor charges were theft/property crimes and drug paraphernalia related.

In 2018, 186 clients received services from a CJC case manager. Eighty-three percent were Male, 17% were Female. Thirty nine percent identified as Hispanic.

- 44% of new clients assigned to a case manager were homeless at entry; 30% were marginally housed*

25% of 2018 CJC graduates reported being homeless at entry, 46% marginally housed. At exit, 8% were homeless, and 36% were marginally housed.

*Marginally housed refers to clients who were in temporary living situations with family members or friends