The San Francisco Sentencing Commission
City & County of San Francisco
(Administrative Code 5.250 through 5.250-3)

Safety and Justice Challenge Subcommittee

AGENDA
Tuesday, July 20, 2021, 12:00 pm
REMOTE MEETING VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
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Public Comment Call-In: 877 853 5247 US Toll-free
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1. Call to Order; Roll Call.
2. Public Comment.
   a. General Public Comment.
   b. Public Comment on All Agenda Items.
4. Strategy Updates (discussion and possible action).
   a. Lead with Race
   b. Sustain Shared Focus
   c. Improve Case Processing
   d. Increase Healthy Connections
   e. Drive with Data
5. Request for Future Agenda Items (discussion and possible action).
6. Adjournment.
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## GOALS & ACTIVITIES FOR 2021

**SF SJC 2021 Overarching Goals:**
1. Reduce racial disparities in the jail
2. Maintain overall jail population reductions or make further reductions if needed amidst the ongoing pandemic
3. Develop mechanisms to sustain efforts and changes

### Lead with Race
- Center all strategies around racial disparities reduction. Engage community members with lived experience in to inform strategies and activities. Develop new programs/activities focused on disparities reduction.
  - Launch inaugural SJC Fellowship
  - Refine activities and metrics to ensure racial disparities reduction focus across strategies
  - Plan community engagement activities with SJC Fellows focused on expanding diversion options
  - Criminal Justice Racial Equity Work Group (CJREWG) and SJC Fellows develop goals for Racial Justice Act training series
  - Participate in Office of Racial Equity Phase I Action Plans
  - SJC Fellows begin participatory action research on expanding diversion options
  - Hold Racial Justice Act training series in partnership with CJREWG, SJC Fellows, Bright Research Group
  - Fellows develop recommendations to expand community engagement and diversion options
  - Present recommendations for increasing diversion options to Sentencing Commission
  - Finalize and implement Office of Racial Equity Phase II planning

### Sustain Shared Focus
- Sustain and enhance a vigorous jail population review (JPR) process. Use the lessons from case review to drive policy change.
  - Hold bimonthly JPR meetings with focus on charges where black people are overrepresented
  - Develop plan to track impact and share lessons learned from JPR
  - Host more intensive case review as needed during COVID
  - Continue JPR meetings, revisiting case criteria quarterly to ensure focus on racial equity
  - Bring policy recommendations to SJC Workgroup quarterly
  - Host more intensive case review as needed during COVID

### Improve Case Processing
- Improve case processing and address lengthy stays in jail. Work with the Superior Court, District Attorney and Defense to adopt systems and structures to reduce delay and coordinate criminal case priorities.
  - Court signs contract with Justice Management Institute (JMI)
  - Kick-off meeting with JMI and justice system partners
  - Court develop dashboards for judges to monitor caseloads, track case management progress, and monitor metrics related to racial disparities
  - JMI host training on case processing and sentencing best practices
  - JMI conducts site visit and partner interviews, shares interim report, provides TA to Court on dashboards
  - Identify case processing metrics relevant to racial disparities
  - Explore processes/practices related to different types of “holds” in jail
  - Draft case management plan reviewed by workgroup and leadership
  - Finalize case plan and associated tools for case coordination
  - Finalize Court dashboards

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1 See Office of Racial Equity website for more details: [https://www.racialequitiesf.org/mandate](https://www.racialequitiesf.org/mandate)
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<td>Increase &amp; Maintain Healthy Connections</td>
<td>Increase connections to community-based support for people with behavioral health and/or housing needs in jail. Improve coordination across local criminal justice, public health, and housing systems.</td>
<td>Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) launches racial disparities analysis and system mapping project with Reentry Council Homebase provide TA series to help partner agencies navigate the housing system SJC and Reentry Council host joint meeting with Prop C Committee to inform funding allocations DPH clinician works with people in jail who have BH needs, referring to JPR and community-based supports, with focus on individuals from overrepresented groups DA Sentencing Planner develops individualized plans for community-based care to support dispositions</td>
<td>Continue work of DPH clinician and DA Sentencing Planner, with focus on overrepresented groups Training for Judges/DAs on serving people with BH needs CA Policy Lab completes system high utilization descriptive analysis and presents to the SJC Workgroup CSH shares interim findings from analysis with SJC Workgroup Share lessons learned from Tipping Point pilot bridge housing project with SJC Workgroup</td>
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<td>Drive with Data</td>
<td>Build a more transparent, data-driven justice system in San Francisco. Develop tools and data-sharing agreements that enhance partners’ ability to sustain jail reductions.</td>
<td>Continue sharing monthly jail population presentation with SJC Workgroup, refining based on input Data team meets monthly, develops indicators to track decision-points critical to reducing disparities Continue development of internal and external facing data dashboards Finalize a cross-agency agreement to guide data-sharing through the JUSTIS hub</td>
<td>Data team meets monthly to at data trends and data sharing needs Present racial disparities indicators at SJC Workgroup; refine disparities reduction activities across strategies as needed Finalize key performance indicators for the criminal justice system developed by the JUSTIS partners; develop a plan to regularly share with City leadership and the public</td>
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