

ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Thursday, November 21, 2024
10:00 a.m.

Supervisor Elisa Márquez, Chair
Supervisor Nate Miley, excused

Location: Board of Supervisors Chambers
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street, Suite 512
Oakland, CA 94612

Webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/99247500951>

SUMMARY/ACTION MINUTES

I. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Alameda County Public Health Department Annual Santa Rita Jail Title 15 Inspection Report 2024

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Dr. Nicholas Moss, County Health Officer and Ronald Browder, Director, Environmental Health Department, Alameda County Health, presented the 2024 Alameda County Public Health Department Annual Santa Rita Jail Title 15 Inspection Report.

The report concluded that Santa Rita Jail met all medical and mental health standards. Continuing recommendations included improving quality-assurance meetings, syringe tracking, and first-aid kit contents. Two in-custody deaths occurred during the review period and required death reviews were completed. The inspection also identified nutritional deficiencies involving whole grains, sodium levels, and documentation of menu substitutions. Environmental conditions were generally satisfactory, and minor kitchen, plumbing, refrigeration, mattress, and maintenance issues were corrected.

Speakers

Jane Kramer, Bob Britton, Richard Spiegelman and Micky Duxbury commented on the Alameda County Public Health Department Annual Santa Rita Jail Title 15 Inspection Report.

Purpose:

- ☐ Report progress
- ☒ **Advocacy or Education**
- ☐ Request Public Protection Committee Recommendation or Position
- ☐ Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

II. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Alameda County Sheriff's Office Update on Santa Rita Jail Programs and Contract Vendor Update

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Oscar Perez, Captain, Alameda County Sheriff's Office, provided an update on Santa Rita Jail Programs and Contract Vendors. The average jail population had declined to approximately 1,588. The new reception center provides service and reentry assessments within the first 24 hours of custody. Program updates included:

Five Keys offered approximately 100 weekly educational and certification classes, with 265 graduates. The Laborers' Union pre-apprenticeship program provided job certifications and union employment pathways. Aramark and ViaPath improved commissary ordering, package tracking, tablets, and educational content. Wellpath expanded medical services, medication-assisted treatment, discharge planning, quality improvement, and women's healthcare.

The jail reported 27.4% substantial and 62.9% partial compliance with the Babu consent decree. ADA improvements, more than 800 cameras, and outdoor recreation areas are under construction.

Speakers

Shirley Estrellita, Renee Garcia, Ken McGill and Charles Joe commented on the Sheriff's Office update.

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I. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: Alameda County Behavioral Health Department: Adult Forensic Behavioral Health Update

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Juan Taizan, Forensic Diversion, & Re-entry Services Director, Alameda County Behavioral Health, Diatra Simpson, Administrator, Telecare Santa Rita Jail Adult Forensic Behavioral Health, Telecare Corporation provided an update on Alameda County Behavioral Health Department: Adult Forensic Behavioral Health.

Adult Forensic Behavioral Health has expanding from 57 to 69 positions and shifting from crisis response to a therapeutic treatment model. The program served more than 6,600 individuals and operated clinical teams in six housing units, including three therapeutic units. Every incarcerated person was assigned a mental health level of care. Approximately 850–880 people were active behavioral health clients, with about 40% requiring therapeutic housing. The Early Access to Stabilization Services program served 23 defendants found incompetent to stand trial; eight were diverted to community-based or inpatient restoration. CalAIM planning included improved assessments, comprehensive reentry plans, warm handoffs, and post-release follow-up. Roots Community Health had assisted nearly 11,000 individuals following release.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.