



# ALAMEDA COUNTY

## Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**Wednesday, November 20, 2024 | 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM**  
**2500 Fairmont Drive, San Leandro, CA 94578**  
**Room C-1002**  
**[ZOOM Teleconference](#)**

### **Commissioners Present:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Palagummi, Vamsey (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asberry, Aminah	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Frye, Jasmine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Larios, Xochtil
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Metz, Elana (Vice Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ervin, Kareem	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackson, Aaron	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shay, Shani
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anderson, Louise			

**Youth Commissioner:** ☒ Faiyaz, Sara

**Member Emeritus:** ☐ Nair, Kamal

### **Collaborative Partners Present:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Antonio, Esmeraldo, ACPD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Garcia, Lupe ACSC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pappas, Carissa, ACPD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Badiey, Naseem, ACPD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gipson, Tiffany, DA	<input type="checkbox"/> Ross, Javay, ACPH
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Banuelos, Albert, ACPD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gomez, Antonio, ACBH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Smith, April, DA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Battar, Malliga, ACBH	<input type="checkbox"/> Gratz-Lazarus, Zach, CAAP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Taizan, Juan, ACBH
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bellino, Dan, ACOE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Harris, Lisa, AC Library	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tate, Hattie, OUSD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buckner-Preston, Mia, SSA-CWS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackson, Scott, ACSC	<input type="checkbox"/> Vaughan, Monica, ACOE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cercone, Dante, ACPD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jones, Paulyne, ACPD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Walton, Robert, ACPD
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conner, Shauna, ACPD	<input type="checkbox"/> Khan, Shereen	<input type="checkbox"/> Wegley, Rebecca, ACPD
<input type="checkbox"/> Donovan, Allyson, DA	<input type="checkbox"/> Maemori, William, ACPD	<input type="checkbox"/> Williams, Shahidah, BOS
<input type="checkbox"/> Ebrahimi, John, ACPD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mance, Al, Public Defender	<input type="checkbox"/> Wilson, Jacq, DA
<input type="checkbox"/> Emmons, Craig, ACPD	<input type="checkbox"/> Mitchell, Alicia, ACPD	<input type="checkbox"/> Zambrana, Andrea, CAAP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ford, Brian, Chief, ACPD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moritz, Lucia, ACOE	

1. **Call to Order and roll call** – The meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM.
2. **Review and adoption of meeting minutes from October 11, 2024.**
3. **Commission Update(s), Announcements and Comments:** Introduction of new Commissioner Jasmine Frye.
4. **Partner Updates**
  - a. **Education – Lucia Moritz**
    - i. Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) visit was between October 21 – 23, 2024, rated effective and highly effective in all categories. The final results are pending.
    - ii. 12 post-graduate students. 12 students dual enrolled in high school and community college. ACOE is hoping to launch a career lab in January 2025.
  - b. **Courts**
    - i. **Judiciary – Judge Jackson**
      1. It appears that filings are down. There have been some successful dismissals over the last several weeks.
    - ii. **District Attorney – April Smith**
      1. Filings are down. The DA has sent many referrals for reformatory justice.
      2. One unfortunate trend we are seeing is of younger people coming in for referrals. There is an uptick in cases that include violence.
      3. The office is down a District Attorney. There is a backlog of referrals and petitions.

c. Behavioral Health – **Juan Taizan**

- i. Recent hiring changes in the Guidance Clinic include seven upcoming interviews with clinicians and there is one formal offer for a licensed clinician pending.
- ii. Introduction New Health Service Director Malliga Battar replacing Dr. Christine Gerchow. New manager will start on Monday. A formal announcement will be made on Friday.
- iii. There are three temporary clinicians will start in December to provide additional coverage on weekdays and weekends.

d. Probation

i. Facilities Updates – **Albert Banuelos**

1. Juvenile Facilities passed the Board of State Community Corrections (BSCC) targeted inspection in response to the corrective action plan received earlier in the year.
2. The blacktop outdoor recreation space project has been completed. It will be opened up to the youth soon.
3. Facilities Demographics: Juvenile Hall – 48 youths in Juvenile Hall (43 male, 5 female), 51 youth on GPS (42 male, 9 female), 0 youth on Home Supervision, 4 youth in High School and 9 youth are in college. Firm Roots Academy – 14 Youth. Camp Sweeney – 14 youth (2 Secure Track, 12 Non-Secure).

ii. Positive Youth Development (PYD) Updates – **Antonio Gomez**

1. Transition Center stats for October 2024 are 65 referrals; of the referrals 61 were youth that transitioned out of detention. The remaining 4 referrals were for straight release, walk-in or referred over the phone. 43 referrals for services. 28 referrals for concrete services.

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f. Social Services – **Mia Buckner-Preston**

1. The AC shelter care facility remains closed. The facility will not be opening this year.
2. The fire clearance process has many steps to remaining. This requires a fire alarm system to be permitted and installed. This takes at minimum eight weeks.
3. Social services built up their emergency housing options with RFAs, FFAs, STRTPs, and small family homes with emergency beds to support the youth coming in while the facility is being readied for occupancy.

5. **Public Comment**

- a. None.

6. **Meeting adjourned** at 2:26 pm.

- a. Next Meeting Wednesday, December 11, 2024.