Successful Reentry/Transition from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation:

Identification of Barriers and Solutions to Address Them

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Agenda

3:00 PM	Welcome & Introductions
3:10 PM	SB 369 Report Overview
3:25 PM	Council Questions/Discussion
3:40 PM	Public Comment
3:45 PM	Vote
3:50 PM	Announcements
4:00 PM	Adjourn

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SB 369 Veto Message Mandate

The Governor's veto message of SB 369 directed CDCR and CCJBH to "*engage with stakeholders, evaluate the barriers to reentry and determine what steps need to be taken to overcome those barriers*."

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Project Overview

- The CDCR/CCHCS Transition Team (Division of Adult Parole Operations, Division of Rehabilitative Programs, Integrated Substance Use Disorder Treatment Program) and CCJBH, with input from other CDCR/CCHCS Divisions and additional stakeholders, developed an initial draft of the SB 369 Barriers Table in January 2021.
  - Preliminary information was gathered via a review of published reports from the:
    - ✓ National Institute of Corrections
    - ✓ National Institute of Justice
    - ✓ Council on State Governments Justice Center
    - ✓ National Reentry Resource Center
    - ✓ Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

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Project Overview (continued)

- In February 2021, the CDCR/CCHCS Transition Team and CCJBH sought initial feedback on the SB 369 Barriers Table through a Targeted Stakeholder Engagement process that engaged the following entities:
  - CCJBH Diversion/Reentry Workgroup Councilmember Policy Advisors
  - Legislative Staff and Advocates Involved With SB 369
  - CCJBH's Lived Experience Program Advisory Group
    - Anti-Recidivism Coalition
    - Cal Voices
    - Los Angeles Regional Reentry Partnership
    - Transitions Clinic Network
  - National Expert from the Council on State Governments Justice Center

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Project Overview (continued)

- Regional and Statewide focus groups were conducted to seek input from individuals with lived experience (March 22nd and 25th).

- The CDCR/CCHCS Transition Team and CCJBH hosted the following public stakeholder engagement opportunities:
  - CCJBH Diversion/Reentry Workgroup Meeting (March 19th)
  - Annual Forensic Mental Health Association Conference, Words to Deeds Track (April 1st)
  - CCJBH Full Council Meeting (April 30th)
  - *A two-week public comment period followed each stakeholder event.*

- Stakeholders were asked if barriers that were presented were accurate, if any reentry/transition barriers were missing and to identify them if so, and which steps can be taken to address identified barriers.

- Stakeholder feedback was incorporated in revisions to the Barriers Table and informed the development of the draft Barriers Report (32 barriers identified).

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Identified Individual-Level Barriers (15 Total)

#	Barrier
1.1	Unmet Housing Need and Homelessness
1.2	Medi-Cal Enrollment and Activation
1.3	Unmet Health Care Needs
1.4	Trauma and Culture Shock
1.5	Unaddressed Criminogenic Risks/Needs
1.6	Challenged Family Relationships
1.7	Limited Human Capital and Poverty
1.8	Fines, Fees, and Restitution

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Identified Individual-Level Barriers (15 Total)

#	Barrier
1.9	Lack of Identification
1.10	Limited Access to Transportation to Treatment / Intervention Services
1.11	Limited Access to Appointments, such as Court Dates
1.12	Limited Access to a Bank Account and Limited Financial Literacy
1.13	Limited Familiarity with Opportunities for Support and Healthy Activities
1.14	Special Considerations for Youth and Older People at Reentry
1.15	Special Considerations for Individuals Convicted of Sex Offenses

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Identified Program/Provider-Level Barriers (6 Total

#	Barrier
2.1	Insufficient Cross-Training of Service Providers
2.2	Low Program Fidelity and Implementation of Ineffective Programming
2.3	Lapsed Benefits After Release
2.4	Limited Continuity of Care After Release
2.5	Service Coordination and Program Placement When Medical Needs Increase Post-Release
2.6	Limited Outreach and Engagement

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Identified System-Level Barriers (11 Total)

#	Barrier
3.1	System Coordination Within and Between State Departments
3.2	System Coordination Between State and Local Level Entities
3.3	System Coordination Between Local Level Entities
3.4	Misaligned or Insufficient Funding Sources
3.5	Data and Information Sharing Challenges Between CDCR and County Departments / Entities
3.6	Data and Information Sharing Challenges between County Departments and their Contracted Providers / CBOs

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Identified System-Level Barriers (11 Total)

#	Barrier
3.7	Changes to Policies and Programs that are Difficult to Implement, Fail to Address Identified Issues and Fail to Obtain Practical Ideas From a Broad Range of Stakeholders
3.8	Insufficient / Inappropriate Services for Criminal Justice Population
3.9	Limited Service Capacity for the Criminal Justice Population
3.10	Medi-Cal Provider Enrollment is Too Complex
3.11	Inconsistent Discharge Planning Practices

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Report Highlights

- The highlights for the draft report are as follows:
  - Project Background and Methodology
  - Analysis and Key Findings
    - Strengthening Existing Projects/Initiatives
      - Outreach and Education
      - Quality Improvement
    - New Projects
  - Recommended Next Steps
    - Barriers Prioritization Stakeholder Survey
    - Feasibility and Cost Analysis
  - Appendices: Barriers Tables and other supporting information

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Report Review Process

- The draft SB 369 Barriers Report was posted on August 9th for a two-week public comment period, with public comment submitted to CCJBH@cdcr.ca.gov. Public comment was due on August 20th.
- Stakeholder feedback was incorporated into the current version of the draft SB 369 Barriers Report, which CCJBH Council members are voting to adopt during today's Full Council Meeting.
- The target date to submit to the Governor's Office is in August 2021.

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Note: Dates may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances

Vote #1

Step 1: Council Motion to adopt the SB 369 Veto Message Report: *Successful Reentry/Transition from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation: Identification of Barriers and Solutions to Address Them.*

Step 2: Public Comment

Step 3: Roll Call Vote

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Vote #2

Step 1: Council Motion to delegate authority to CCJBH Executive Officer to make necessary updates to the report to meet submission criteria.

Step 2: Public Comment

Step 3: Roll Call Vote

Upcoming Meetings

September 2021 CCJBH Suicide Prevention and Recovery Awareness Activities

Juvenile Justice Workgroup

Friday, September 10, 2021 1:00-3:00 PM

Diversion/Reentry Workgroup

Friday, September 17, 2021 1:00-3:00PM

Full Council Meeting

Friday, October 29, 2021 2:00-4:30PM

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

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