



Santa Cruz County Commission on Justice and Gender

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Minutes - Notice of Public Meeting and Agenda

Release & Reentry Subcommittee

Date: Tuesday, February 4th, 2025
Time: 12:30pm – 1:30pm
Location: Monarch Services, 550 Water Street, Suite J3

1. Roll Call – 12:30 pm

Present: Jesse Silva, Kristie Clemens, Polly Schulze Elser, Stacey Palau, Alicia Gaytan, Lupe Cisneros, Katie Anaya, Hannah Taylor, Sarah Kocjan, Susan Greene, Savannah Hayes

2. Agenda Review

3. Announcements

3.1. Library event with local author Jeri Ross, February 6th Capitola Branch Library 7pm, to discuss her memoir and personal story as the daughter of a maximum-security federal prisoner.

3.2. New Life / Gemma:

3.2. New Life: shorter waiting list with the exception for women taking longer since census for women continues to grow.

3.2. Gemma: 2 clients, one from WRRP and one from the community. Expecting an additional client later this month.

3.3. Jail Update

3.3. Jail population: 41 women in custody

3.3. Main Jail: 15 women. G Unit, 19 women; H Unit, 5 women; O Unit, 1 woman.

3.3.1.1.1. Of the 5 Women in H Unit, 2 restricted to cell.

3.3.1.1.2. 7 on release to program list. Days on list range from 1 to 53
(various reasons why some stay on list longer).

3.3.1.1.3. Bench Warrants: 15 women total, 7 in custody only on bench
warrant, 8 on fresh charges.

3.3. Blaine Street: 16 women, 4 enrolled in WRRP; 3 women graduating from
WRRP in-custody programming in the next three weeks.

Cabrillo will be doing a *Success in the Workplace* cohort for three sessions.

Women will be able to create resume on laptops, will be enrolled in Cabrillo,
receive student ID, and will have physical copy of their resume.

3.3 Visitation

1st contact visit at Blaine Street took place last Saturday, February 1st child
visited mom in custody.

4. Public Comment – No public comment

*Any person may address the Commission for a period not to exceed 3 minutes on matters
within the jurisdiction of the Commission.*

5. Approval of Minutes (Action)

Motion: Sarah Kocjan

Second: Hannah Taylor

Approved unanimously

6. Discussion

6.1. Planned February 20th quarterly JAG Commission meeting on Women's Recovery
and Reentry Program (WRRP), with up to four guest speakers who have
participated in WRRP.

7. Adjournment – 1:30 pm

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