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Yolo County Seeks Input on Adult Community Corrections

(Woodland, CA) – The Yolo County Community Corrections Partnership (CCP) will hold community engagement meetings to elicit input on the development of the 2023-2025 CCP Strategic Plan. In particular, it seeks feedback on its ongoing efforts to reform corrections practices, emphasizing evidence-based practices and cost-effective strategies.

The meetings will take place virtually on Tuesday, July 19, from 2 to 3:30 pm, and Monday, August 8, from 5 to 6:30 pm. The community engagement meetings will provide participants background on the mission and goals of the CCP, an update on current projects, and relevant budget information for project funding in the coming years.

"A focus of Yolo County is to implement cost-effective strategies that are known to improve public safety," said Yolo County Chief Probation Officer Dan Fruchtenicht. "Fortunately, we benefit from engaged residents and a forward-thinking CCP to ensure the 2023-2025 CCP Strategic Plan meets the corrections challenges and needs of our communities."

In 2011, Assembly Bill 109 (Public Safety Realignment) made fundamental changes to California's correctional system to stop the costly, ineffective, and unsafe "revolving door" of lower-level offenders and parole violators. Among other things, AB 109 shifted responsibility for all sentenced non-violent, non-serious, non-sex adult offenders from state to local jurisdictions giving local law enforcement the right and the ability to manage these offenders in smarter, cost-effective ways. Community Corrections Partnerships throughout the state were tasked with planning for the change and implementing local plans.

By State Statute (CA Penal Code §1229), CCPs are led by county Chief Probation Officers and formed by representatives from the Court; District Attorney's Office; Public Defender's Office; a Chief of Police; Sheriff's Office; County Office of Education; County Heads for Mental Health, Employment, Substance Abuse Programs, and Social Services; a County Supervisor, Chief Administrative Officer, or Designees from the Board of Supervisors; a Representative for Victim Interests; and a Community-based Organization. With community input, the CCP has developed and implemented two strategic plans since its inception.

Members of the CCP will attend the community engagement meetings facilitated and held via Zoom on Tuesday, July 19, from 2 to 3:30 pm, and again on Monday, August 8, from 5 to 6:30 pm.

For more information about the CCP, visit www.YoloCounty.org/CCP.