

Measure X Project Update: CCC Restorative Justice Initiative

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Project Purpose

Guiding Principle

Adopt a restorative framework to support the desired shift from a sole reliance on criminal and juvenile legal systems that emphasize confinement and compliance to those that prioritize and foster hope, healing and resiliency.

Measures of Success

Performance measures will be determined following review and feedback of final recommendations.

Measure X Allocation

One-time funds of \$2 million

Project Objectives

Deliverable: Provide Project Management/Consulting Services and to conduct a Needs Assessment in support of the launch of the Restorative Justice Initiative (RJI) to further embed and support adoption of restorative justice principles, practices, and programming throughout the County

Overall Goal for RJI: The philosophies and practices associated with Restorative Justice will be embraced and adopted throughout Contra Costa County.

Request for Qualifications: Awarded contract to Rane Community Development for the provision of project management services and to conduct a needs assessment over 2 years (\$467,000).

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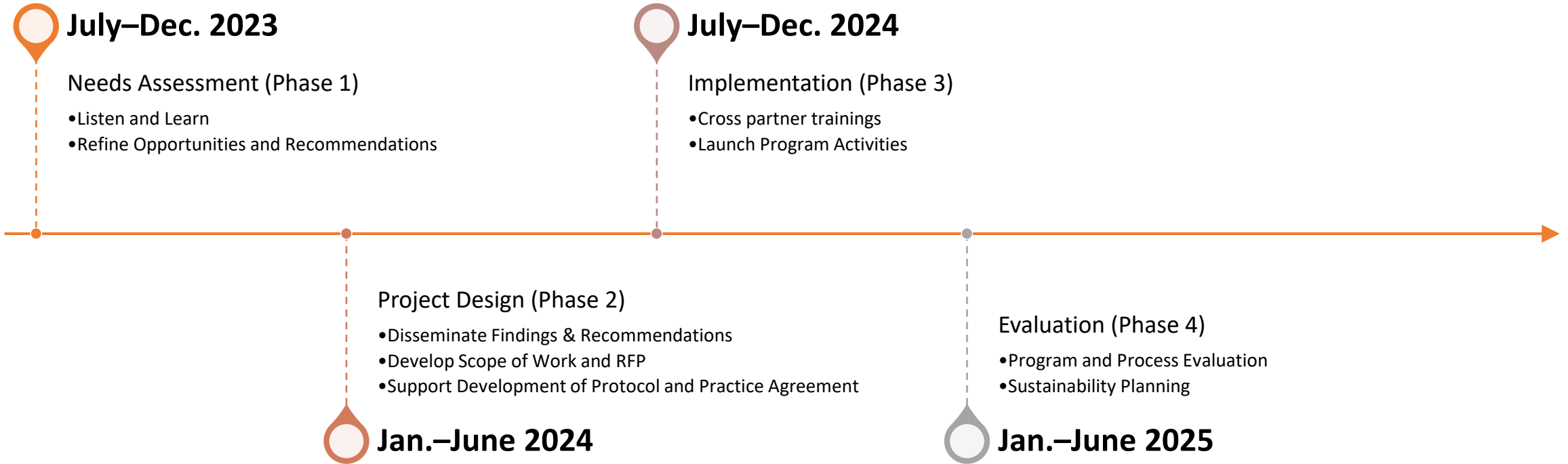
Community

Development

Putting the Pieces
Together



Project Timeline



Phase 1: Needs Assessment



Community Engagement

Key Informant Interviews
Community Stakeholder Workshop
Community Survey
Focus Groups



Needs Assessment Report

Summary of Restorative Practices
Analysis of Community Needs and Opportunities
Final Presentation and Recommendations

Key Informant Interview Quotes

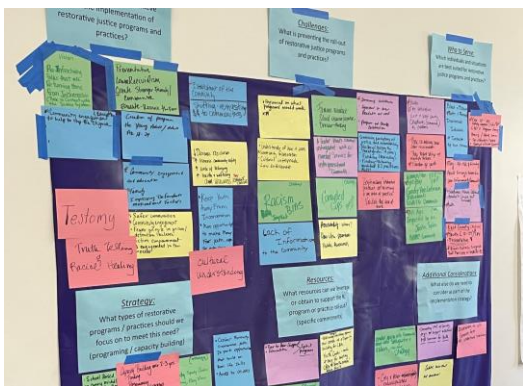
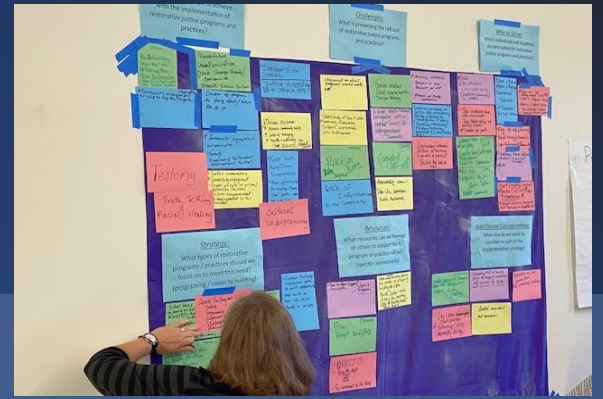
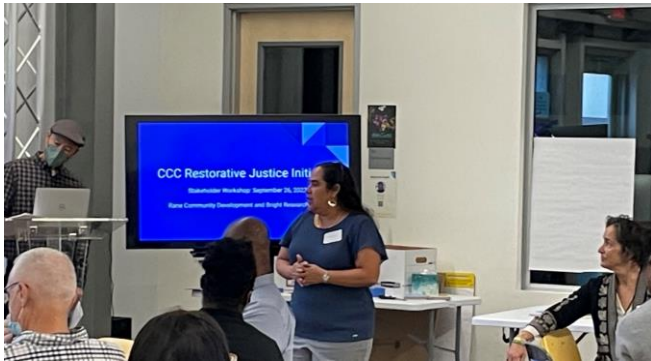
12 Leaders in:

- CBOs
- LEA
- County Justice Partners
- School District Admin

Interest and support from criminal legal partners is a good thing, but also runs the risk of CJ systems absorbing RJ processes in a way that may muddle the need for it to be a community-driven response. To do it right and in the community, it takes time, training and resources.

I try to really change the perspective – just because you commit a crime you are not a horrible person. You have to be able to look past the crime and be creative enough to give second chances and opportunities. You have to see who they are and where they come from. Sometimes you just don't want to put people in jail for the rest of their life. Justice and safety does not always equate punishment.

Victims want to know why did this happen to me and will you do this again. I think RJ has a place. For a long time we have equated punishment with justice and when you do not get that it feels like a betrayal. We need a framework to equate justice with accountability and repairing harm.



Community Survey – Measuring Sentiments & Attitudes toward RJ

Survey Distribution Period: Oct. 2nd – Nov. 3rd, 2023
Total # of Completed Survey Responses: 771



RESTORATIVE JUSTICE SURVEY

Initiative

Through Measure X tax dollars, Contra Costa County is exploring opportunities to introduce **restorative justice practices** to repair harm caused by delinquent or criminal behaviors. Community input is needed to help us understand the needs and priorities of Contra Costa residents.

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ENCUESTA DE JUSTICIA RESTAURATIVA

Iniciativa

A través de los impuestos de Measure X, el condado de Contra Costa explora nuevas oportunidades para presentar **prácticas de justicia restaurativa** para reparar los daños causados por comportamientos delincuentes o criminales. Se necesita del aporte de la comunidad para ayudarnos a entender las necesidades y las prioridades de los residentes de Contra Costa.

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Needs Assessment Timeline – Next Steps



Actual Expenditures To Date: Brief Summary of RJI Project Activities w/ Hours

Project Management	\$8,175	32
Project team planning meetings		14
Internal team planning meetings		7
Contract management		11
Project Launch	\$7,500	30
Preliminary landscape analysis		12
Refine research design		15
Launch presentation and talking points		3
Needs Assessment	\$44,400	184.5
Attend community meetings (9)		27
Review county reports pertaining to RJ		12
RJ Landscape analysis (of regional programs)		11.5
Academic literature review of best practices		40
Key informant interviews (12)		36
Community survey		30
Translation, plain language reviews, editing, etc.		28
Stakeholder Workshop	\$26,550	127
Workshop design, planning, coordination		25
Site visits to host agency		8
Facilitation team planning/rehearsal meetings		10
Workshop presentation and talking points		24
Workshop facilitation (9/26/23)		48
Workshop transcription and summary		12
Total to Date (July – October 2023)	\$86,625	373.5
Contract Balance (FYs 23-25)	\$380,375	
Measure X Allocation Balance	\$1,533,000*	

*Remaining Measure X allocation will be subject to RFP process during Phase 2 – Project Design (Jan – June 2024)

Questions?

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