

Racial Justice Oversight Board (RJOB)  
**Community Engagement and Funding Subcommittee Meeting**  
April 10, 2025

**Record of Action**

**Attendance:**

Subcommittee Members (in-person):

Ronell Ellis, Subcommittee Chair (Community Representative Seat)  
Maileen Mamaradlo (Community Representative Seat-Alternate)  
Stephanie Medley (Community Representative Seat)  
Ricky Godfrey (Community Representative Seat)  
Anthony Randolph (Community Representative Seat-Alternate)

Subcommittee Members (online):

Alana Mathews, Contra Costa County District Attorney's Office  
Shantell Owens (Community Representative Seat)  
Ayo Lewis (Community Representative Seat-Alternate)

Staff:

Kendra Carr, Contra Costa County Office of Racial Equity and Social Justice  
Peter Kim, Contra Costa County Office of Racial Equity and Social Justice  
Emaan Ahmed, Contra Costa County Office of Racial Equity and Social Justice  
Jessica Travenia, Contra Costa County Office of Racial Equity and Social Justice

Guests (online):

Cheryl Sudduth (RJOB Committee member, Community Representative Seat)  
Jill Ray, Contra Costa County District 2 Supervisor's Office

***1. Roll Call and Introductions***

- Convened at 3:33 PM

***2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two minutes).***

- No comment.

***3. Confirm members for the Community Engagement and Funding Subcommittee, and nominate and select the member who will serve as chair(s) of the subcommittee.***

Discussion:

- Confirmed members of the Subcommittee and introduced the new members: Maileen Mamaradlo, Anthony Randolph, Shantell Owens, and Ayo Lewis.
- Ronell Ellis will continue to serve as CEF subcommittee chair.

Public Comment:

- No comment.

#### *4. Discuss and determine CEF subcommittee meeting logistics for the upcoming year*

##### Discussion:

- Keep June 12, 2025 as the next meeting date.
- Send survey to assess availability for rotation of sites.
- At the next meeting, share the history of past work of RJOB and of CEF to help inform future goals and objectives.

##### Public Comment:

- Jill Ray, Candace Anderson's Office: Skip next month's meeting, re-agenda the cadence question for June, based on the full body.

#### *5. Discuss and come to agreement on priorities for 2025/2026 based on RJOB survey results*

##### Discussion:

- Revise priority to **"Seek resources"**, focusing on behavioral health and early intervention.
- **Form a workgroup** to pursue funding and non-financial support.
- **Refine all priorities** for clarity and impact.
- **Build CBO capacity** (e.g., grantwriting workshops).
- Provide **recommendations to BOS** within RJOB's scope (no authority over schools/contracts).
- Review contracts involving **community engagement** for effectiveness through a CBO/participant lens.
- Concerns raised about **CBO accountability and credibility**.
- Evaluate **both systems and CBOs** for equity and effectiveness.
- Improve **community awareness** of opportunities and services.
- Conduct **landscape analysis/audits** to identify progress, gaps, and needs.
- **Gather updates** from departments and do internal research.
- **Disseminate findings** to community, providers, system partners, and BOS.
- **Advise and recommend changes** to the Board.
- Invite key partners (e.g., Probation, PD/DA, WCUSD, CBOs, EHSD, CCH) to provide updates.

##### Public Comment:

- No comment.

The next meeting is currently scheduled for June 12, 2025.

- Confirmed.

##### Adjourn

- Meeting was adjourned at 5:32 PM.