## **Monterey County Strategic Initiatives**

## **POLICY AREA** STRATEGIC INITIATIVES **Economic Development** Through collaboration, strengthen economic development to ensure a diversified and healthy economy. "Enhancing the well-being and prosperity of Monterey County Residents" **Administration** Promote an organization that practices efficient and effective resource management and is recognized for responsiveness, strong customer "Efficient and Effective orientation, accountability and transparency. Government Operations" **Health and Human** Improve health and quality of life through County supported policies, programs, and services; promoting access to equitable opportunities for Services healthy choices and healthy environments in collaboration with "Health and Wellness for communities. Monterey County Residents" Infrastructure Plan and develop a sustainable, physical infrastructure that improves the quality of life for County resident and supports economic development "Meeting our Facilities, Water, results. Technology and Transportation Needs" Reduce violent crime and homicides, create a safe environment for **Public Safety** people to achieve their potential, leading businesses and communities to "Creating Safe Communities" thrive and grow.

## **Public Safety Key Objectives:**

- 1. Create and sustain a comprehensive approach to reducing violence by implementing best practices, crime prevention and justice system efficiencies.
- 2. Attain safe and appropriate facilities to house adult and juvenile offenders that prepare them for successful re-entry to society.

## **Public Safety Milestones:**

Develop and implement, in collaboration with local initiatives, school districts, communities, and
unincorporated areas, a comprehensive Countywide strategic plan that includes resource allocation and
implementation timeline for violence prevention activities to include prevention, intervention, suppression and
reentry.

Lead: CAO – Community Engagement & Advocacy

o Timeline: December 2014

o FY 2014-15: The County-wide Action Plan for Building Safe and Thriving Communities was approved by the Board of Supervisors on June 9, 2015.

2. Prioritize programs and strategies to focus on those which will most impact reduction in violence.

o Lead: CAO – Community Engagement & Advocacy

o Timeline: June 2015

- FY 2014-15: The completed Action Plan for Building Safe and Thriving Communities outlines indicators and establishes a framework for developing strategies that will not only support violence prevention efforts throughout Monterey County but also evaluate the effectiveness of existing programs and services with the purpose of maximizing community impact.
- 3. Seek funding from local, state, federal, philanthropic and non-profit organizations to support and sustain the County's efforts as identified in the strategic plan.

o Lead: CAO – Community Engagement & Advocacy

o Timeline: On-going

- FY 2014-15: CAO Community Engagement & Advocacy provided support for the following grant applications: OJJDP National Girls Initiative in support of the National Compadres Network and Noxtin, the Prevention Institute and Movemeber Foundation Initiative for Mental Health and Wellbeing Among Men and Boys of Color in support of MILPA and Building Healthy Communities.
- 4. Continue monthly interagency Criminal Justice Collaborative meetings, including the Courts, in order to strengthen internal process efficiencies.

o Lead: Probation

o Timeline: On-going

o Status: No change.

5. Implement a streamlined and efficient system, in collaboration with Community Correction Partnership, to manage additional responsibilities from public safety realignment.

o Lead: Probation

o Timeline: On-going

o Status: No update.

- 6. Seek supplemental funding though the Community Corrections Partnership, in order to support and sustain programs.
  - o Lead: Probation

o Timeline: On-going

- FY 2014-15: On February 15, 2015, the CSAC RAC announced the AB109 allocation formula for FY16. The formula will result in a negligible increase to our allocation.
- 7. Continue to advocate for additional resources from the State to address Monterey County's distinct demographic factors.

o Lead: All Public Safety Departments

o Timeline: On-going

o Status: Recommendation to revise or remove this milestone.

8. Expand the County Jail.

o Lead: Sheriff

o Timeline: On-going

- Status: Project is on schedule and budget. Project is scheduled to break ground in 2016 with completion estimated in 2018.
- 9. Rebuild/expand the Juvenile Hall.

o Lead: Probation

o Timeline: On-going

- O Status: The project is on schedule. The architectural firm (DLR) works closely with probation and the Resource Management Agency. Preliminary Plans (Design Development) have been submitted to the Board of State and Community Corrections for approval by the State Public Works Board in June of 2015. Construction is scheduled to start in the summer of 2016.
- 10. Evaluate current re-entry programs provided at the County Jail.

o Lead: Sheriff

o Timeline: On-going

- Status: Sheriff's Office is currently evaluating current programs and exploring additional programs.
- 11. Continue to develop and implement robust, evidence based re-entry programs at the County Jail for successful re-entry to society.

o Lead: Sheriff

o Timeline: On-going

- Status: Sheriff's Office is currently evaluating current programs and exploring additional programs.
- 12. Evaluate current re-entry programs provided at the Juvenile Hall to provide successful re-entry to society.

o Lead: Probation

o Timeline: On-going

o Status: No update.

13. Expand programs using the evidence based "Silver Star Youth Program" model in other areas of the County.

o Lead: Probation

o Timeline: On-going

Status: The Blue Ribbon Committee in Seaside is working on duplicating the Silver Star
 Resource Center model to Peninsula youth. Community outreach meetings have been held and
 regular planning meetings continue to be held.