

**Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee**  
**Annual Agenda<sup>1</sup>—2020**  
**Approved by Executive and Planning Committee: [TBD]**

**I. COMMITTEE INFORMATION**

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| <b>Chair:</b>   | Hon. Richard Vlavianos, Chair, Judge, Superior Court of San Joaquin County<br>Hon. Lawrence Brown, Vice-Chair, Judge, Superior Court of Sacramento County |
| <b>Lead Staff:</b>  | Ms. Francine Byrne, Principal Manager, Criminal Justice Services<br>Ms. Carrie Zoller, Supervising Attorney, Center for Families, Children & the Courts   |
| <p><b>Committee’s Charge/Membership:</b></p> <p><a href="#">Rule 10.56</a> of the California Rules of Court charges the Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee (CJCAC) to make recommendations to the Judicial Council on criteria for identifying and evaluating collaborative justice courts and for improving the processing of cases in these courts, which include drug courts, mental health courts, domestic violence courts, youth courts, and other collaborative justice courts. Those recommendations include ‘best practices’ guidelines and methods for collecting data to evaluate the long-term effectiveness of collaborative justice courts.</p> <p>Additional duties included under rule 10.56:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Assess and measure success and effectiveness of local collaborative justice courts;</li> <li>2. Identify and disseminate to trial courts locally generated best practices;</li> <li>3. Recommend minimum judicial education standards and educational activities to support those standards to the Center for Judicial Education and Research Advisory Committee;</li> <li>4. Advise the council of potential funding sources;</li> <li>5. Make recommendations regarding grant funding programs that are administered by the Judicial Council staff for drug courts and other treatment courts; and,</li> <li>6. Recommend appropriate outreach activities needed to support collaborative justice courts.</li> </ol> <p>The committee currently has 24 members (nine judicial officers, two court administrators, one district attorney, one criminal defense attorney, one law enforcement officer, one treatment court coordinator, one probation officer, one treatment provider, one treatment court</p> |   |

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<sup>1</sup> The annual agenda outlines the work a committee will focus on in the coming year and identifies areas of collaboration with other advisory bodies and the Judicial Council staff resources.

graduate, one representative from the mental health field, one social services representative, one non-profit community organization representative, and three public members). The attached term of services chart provides the composition of the committee.

**Subcommittees/Working Groups<sup>2</sup>:**

1. Juvenile Subcommittee
2. Mental Health Subcommittee
3. Veterans in the Courts and Military Families Subcommittee

**Meetings Planned for 2020 (Advisory body and all subcommittees and working groups)**

1. Full in-person committee meeting in Fall 2020.
2. Month teleconferences on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month.
3. Subcommittee meetings as needed

Check here if exception to policy is granted by Executive Office or rule of court.

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<sup>2</sup> California Rules of Court, rule 10.30 (c) allows an advisory body to form subgroups, composed entirely of current members of the advisory body, to carry out the body's duties, subject to available resources, with the approval of its oversight committee.

## II. COMMITTEE PROJECTS

| #  | New or One-Time Projects <sup>3</sup>   |  |
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| 1. | <b><i>Project Title:</i> Create an ad-hoc working group to explore avenues for permanent funding for collaborative courts.</b>  | <b><i>Priority 1</i></b><br><b><i>Strategic Plan Goal I, II, VII</i></b> |
|    | <p><b><i>Project Summary:</i></b> Many of the state’s collaborative courts are supported by short-term or grant funding. To ensure the success and sustainability of collaborative courts, the committee will create an ad-hoc working group to explore and pursue potential avenues for permanent funding, and encourage the expansion of local treatment and evaluation capacity, as appropriate. The committee anticipates submitting a Budget Change Proposal (BCP) to support this effort.</p> <p><b><i>Status/Timeline:</i></b> The proposed BCP will be submitted for FY 2021-2022.</p> <p><b><i>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</i></b> This work will be conducted by existing Judicial Council staff.<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b><i>Internal/External Stakeholders:</i></b> Local trial courts and justice system partners.</p> <p><b><i>AC Collaboration:</i></b><br/>Budget Services</p> |  |
| 2. | <b><i>Project Title:</i> Continue to support development and implementation of a strategic plan for court involved veterans and military families.</b>  | <b><i>Priority 1</i></b><br><b><i>Strategic Plan Goal IV</i></b>         |
|    | <p><b><i>Project Summary:</i></b> This project began with a Department of Justice technical assistance award to the Judicial Council to provide statewide strategic planning assistance for California Veterans Treatment Courts. In conjunction with the Center for Court Innovation, court and system partners were brought together in June 2019 to begin drafting a strategic plan. It is anticipated that the California Association of Collaborative Courts will host a second convening of partners to further refine the plan and develop a strategy for implementation. The committee’s participation in the process will include identifying plan goals within Judicial Branch purview and assessing the feasibility of implementing those items.</p>   |  |

<sup>3</sup> All proposed projects for the year must be included on the Annual Agenda. If a project implements policy or is a program, identify it as *implementation* or a *program* in the project description and attach the Judicial Council authorization/assignment or prior approved Annual Agenda to this Annual Agenda.

| #  | <b>New or One-Time Projects<sup>3</sup></b>  |                          |
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|    | <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> December 2020.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> This work will be conducted by existing Judicial Council staff.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Department of Veteran’s Affairs, local trial courts and justice system partners, veteran’s organizations, Center for Court Innovation, California Association of Collaborative Courts.</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b><br/>Veterans in the Courts and Military Families Subcommittee</p>   |                          |
| 3. | <p><b>Project Title: Develop additional content for the Behavioral Health Education Series, a series of webinars or other educational sessions on mental health, substance abuse, collaborative justice courts, treatment capacity, and relevant legislation.</b></p>  | <p><b>Priority 1</b></p> |
|    | <p><b>Project Summary:</b> This project was initiated in response to courts’ requests for increased training on mental health and substance abuse and will provide educational sessions through webinars, podcasts and/or in- person trainings. The sessions are geared towards court staff, judicial officers, and justice system partners. Educational series topics include working with court users with serious mental health disorders, collaborative court principles and practices, effective practices in drug and mental health treatment, and increasing access to treatment. The trainings will include 2-4 in person trainings on mental health diversion conducted in partnership with County Behavioral Health Directors.</p> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> 6-8 webinar/education sessions will be completed by December 2020.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> This work will be conducted by existing Judicial Council staff.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Local trial courts and justice system partners, Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health, California Department of State Hospitals, County Behavioral Health Directors Association, Council of State Governments</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b><br/>Potential consultation with Judicial Council staff from the Center for Judicial Education and Research.</p> |                          |
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| 4.   | <b>Project Title: Build upon pretrial innovations in statewide data sharing to explore the creation of a similar data sharing infrastructure for collaborative courts.</b>   | <b>Strategic Plan Goal VI</b>                      |
| <p><b>Project Summary:</b> In order to enable and support requests for statewide data sharing among collaborative courts, the Pretrial Pilot Program is creating a statewide data sharing infrastructure for pretrial programs. The committee will monitor the progress of the program’s data sharing infrastructure and governance and explore whether a similar infrastructure would be feasible and could benefit collaborative courts.</p> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> This is an exploratory project that will extend beyond 2020.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> This work will be conducted by existing Judicial Council staff.<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Collaborative Courts and local justice system partners</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b><br/>Information Technology</p> |  |  |
| 5.   | <b>Project Title: Act as resource to identify challenges and opportunities related to developing pretrial release responses for defendants with behavioral health issues</b> | <b>Priority 1</b><br><b>Strategic Plan Goal IV</b> |
| <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Upon request, the committee will act as a resource to ensure that the unique needs and challenges of arrested individuals with mental health and substance abuse issues are considered when pretrial programs are implemented. Activities may include identifying potential trainings or faculty, creating resources to assist in identifying and accessing services for arrestee with behavioral health issues, etc.</p> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Project will continue throughout 2020.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b><br/> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b><br/> <b>AC Collaboration:</b> Pretrial Reform Operations Workgroup (PROW). Mental Health Subcommittee</p>   |  |  |

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| 6.   | <b>Project Title: Continue development of a resource identifying effective practices and address Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) Cases.</b> | <b>Priority 1</b><br><b>Strategic Plan Goal IV</b> |
| <p><b>Project Summary:</b> This project focuses on identifying and documenting existing and promising practices related to adult Incompetent to Stand Trial cases and competency evaluations. Judicial Council staff surveyed and/or interviewed key stakeholders in local jurisdictions to identify current processes and challenges, as well as local solutions and feasibility of technological solutions. With the results compiled, staff will identify promising practices and conduct research related to competency restoration programs, and identify and document best practices in competency restoration,</p> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Survey results were compiled and project findings will inform next steps for information distribution and possible action items. Project will be complete in fall 2020.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> This work will be conducted by existing Judicial Council staff.<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Local trial courts, policymakers, Council for Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health, and Department of State Hospitals.</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b> Mental Health Subcommittee</p> |  |  |
| 7.   | <b>Project Title: Complete study of veterans and veterans treatment courts as directed by Senate Bill 339</b>                                | <b>Priority 1</b><br><b>Strategic Plan Goal IV</b> |
| <p><b>Project Summary:</b> As directed by SB 339, continue work on a statewide study of Veterans and Veterans Treatment Courts (VTC) that includes a survey of VTCs that are currently in operation as well as an assessment of counties that do not operate VTCs. The study will evaluate the impact of VTCs on a number of outcomes for veterans including but not limited to recidivism, mental health and substance use disorders, and employment outcomes. In addition, the study will include an assessment of counties that do not operate VTCs and identify barriers to program implementation. The study will also explore the scope of court processing for veterans in a traditional criminal court setting, veterans’ diversion program, and/or veterans’ tracks within other collaborative court programs to address the needs of veterans in the criminal justice system. The committee will provide guidance identifying issues of relevance and reviewing report.</p> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Project completion date: June 2020.</p>   |  |  |

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|    | <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> Project is supported by funding provided to the Judicial Council specifically for the completion of this project. Resources will include council staff from Governmental Affairs.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Department of Veterans Affairs, California State Legislature, local courts, justice system partners, and public.</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b> Veterans in the Courts and Military Families Subcommittee.</p>  |   |
| 8. | <p><b>Project Title: Effective Practices in Juvenile Collaborative Justice Courts: Juvenile Collaborative Court Briefing; Girls’ Court Study; STAR Court Evaluation</b></p>  | <p><b>Priority 1</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Strategic Plan Goal IV</b></p> |
|    | <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Project will identify the efficacy of applied collaborative court principles in juvenile court, by completing an overview of current findings for collaborative courts in multiple types of juvenile collaborative courts, and by conducting original studies on innovative, emerging court types addressing human trafficking cases in juvenile court. The studies include a descriptive study of Girls’ Courts and an evaluation of the STAR Court in Los Angeles, one of the first such courts in the state. The committee will provide guidance identifying issues of relevance and review the report. The projects fulfill the committee charge and JCC partnerships with policymaking bodies, including the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission and the Child Welfare Council’s Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Action Team Committee.</p> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Juvenile Collaborative Court Briefing completion date: June 2020<br/> Girls’ Court Evaluation completion date: June 2020<br/> STAR Court Evaluation completion date: December 2020</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources</b> The project, including staff costs, is partially funded by external funding for collaborative courts and mental health. No additional fiscal impact to Judicial Council staffing is anticipated.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Violence Against Women Project, Trial Courts, Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission, the Child Welfare Council’s Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Action Team Committee</p> |   |

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|    | <i>AC Collaboration:</i> Juvenile Collaborative Justice Courts Subcommittee, Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee, Violence Against Women Education Project (VAWEP)  |                          |
| 9. | <b><i>Project Title:</i> Creation of the Homeless and Community Court Blueprint</b>  | <b><i>Priority I</i></b> |
|    | <b><i>Strategic Plan Goal IV</i></b>   |                          |
|    | <p><b><i>Project Summary:</i></b> This project continues previous committee efforts to research and document homeless and community court models. The Homeless and Community Court Blueprint will provide an overview of Homeless Court and Community Court Programs to assist courts interested in developing or expanding their programs, giving example of successful courts, making implementation recommendations, and providing resource information.</p> <p><b><i>Status/Timeline:</i></b> Project completion date: March 2020.</p> <p><b><i>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</i></b> The project will be conducted by existing Judicial Council staff who are funded by external earmarked funding for mental health.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b><i>Internal/External Stakeholders:</i></b> Consultation with local homeless and community courts</p> <p><b><i>AC Collaboration:</i></b></p> |                          |
| 10 | <b><i>Project Title:</i> Submit 2020 CJCAC report to the Judicial Council that includes an update on the implementation of recommendations of the Mental Health Issues Implementation Task Force and identifies current issues and provides recommendations related to individuals with mental illness or substance use disorder in the courts.</b>  | <b><i>Priority I</i></b> |
|    | <b><i>Strategic Plan Goal IV</i></b>   |                          |
|    | <p><b><i>Project Summary:</i></b> The committee will create a report providing an update on the implementation of recommendations of the Mental Health Issues Implementation Task Force and identifying current issues related to individuals with mental illness or substance use disorder in the courts. The report will include recommendations geared towards improving outcomes for these individuals.</p> <p><b><i>Status/Timeline:</i></b> Report to be submitted in 2020.</p>  |                          |



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| #   | Ongoing Projects and Activities <sup>3</sup>  |                   |
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| 1.  | <b>Project Title: Veterans and Military Families: Identify Priority Issues and Best Practices</b> | <i>Priority 1</i> |
| <p data-bbox="212 380 1923 483"><b>Project Summary:</b> Identify priority policy issues and best practices regarding Veterans and Military Families in areas such as legislation tracking, continued implementation of the MIL-100 form, and continued support for education, research, and the improved dissemination of information as outlined below.</p> <ul data-bbox="260 509 1934 1490" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MIL-100: Revise the Notification of Military Status (form MIL-100), which informs the court that a party in a court case is or was in the military, including changing the form from optional to mandatory. The revisions to the current form will enable courts to improve early identification of court litigants in all case types who have a military affiliation, will assist courts in complying with Penal Code section 858 requirements, and will make the form easier to use and file.</li> <li>• Track and review proposed legislation regarding court involved veterans and military families;</li> <li>• Continue work and support toward implementing legislation regarding court involved veterans and military families;</li> <li>• Leverage judicial education programs to disseminate training materials, resources, and education job aids to assist judges, court staff, and veterans’ stakeholders to better serve justice involved veterans and military families;</li> <li>• Identify educational materials and, at the request of relevant committees, serve as subject matter experts for areas pertaining to military families and veterans in the courts, such as Government Code section 12920, and Penal Code sections 858, 1001.3, 1001.80, 1170.9, and 1170.91; trauma informed care including post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, military sexual trauma, and other trauma informed services; family reunification; and reentry services for incarcerated veterans;</li> <li>• Collaborate with CJER and the CJER Advisory Committee or relevant judicial education educational programs, assist in implementation of educational programs through organizations of panels, identification of faculty, and content review for educational programs, such as Military Families and Veterans Court programs at the Juvenile Law Institute and Family Law Institute. Provide guidance to committee staff during each stage of content development, dissemination, and review;</li> <li>• Update and review Veterans Treatment Courts roster to ensure accuracy of information;</li> <li>• Coordinate with system partners including , American Bar Association, the State Bar, Department of Veterans Affairs, California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet), local veterans’ agencies, veterans’ advocacy groups, veterans’ groups and homeless groups to follow trends and developments regarding court involved veterans’ and military families, and to seek opportunities to collaborate in providing education and resources to court staff and partners;</li> <li>• Research and provide training and information on the website related to best practices for serving special veteran populations such as improving treatment and case processing outcomes for women veterans and military families in our courts, information on helping veterans who do not receive VA benefits due being less than honorably discharged from the military because of their sexual orientation, and ways to help address the unique challenges faced by older veterans; and,</li> </ul> |   |                   |

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|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In conjunction with the veterans court strategic planning process, assess additional unmet needs of court-involved veterans and military families that are within Judicial Branch purview, conferring with other Judicial Council advisory bodies, as appropriate, and determining strategies for assisting courts with improving case outcomes.</li> </ul> <p><i>Status/Timeline:</i> Ongoing.</p> <p><i>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</i> Staff partially funded through external earmarked funding for collaborative and drug courts.<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><i>Internal/External Stakeholders:</i> Local courts, California Association of Collaborative Courts, and Center for Court Innovation</p> <p><i>AC Collaboration:</i> Veterans in the Courts and Military Families Subcommittee, Mental Health Subcommittee</p>   |                   |
| 2. | <b>Project Title: Juvenile Collaborative Justice Courts: Identify Priority Issues and Best Practices</b>  | <b>Priority 1</b> |
|    | <p><b>Strategic Plan Goal IV</b></p> <p><i>Project Summary:</i> Identify priority policy issues and best practices regarding juvenile collaborative justice courts in areas such as juvenile mental health courts, truancy, youth courts, trafficking, girls’ court, and delinquency and dependency drug court. Continue to assist in efforts to address juvenile competency through legislation and implementation of policy changes in this area. Continue work in support of youth and peer courts, including developing a Youth Court Toolkit, holding the annual Youth Summit in partnership with the California Association of Youth Courts, and hold youth court roundtables to provide local assistance to courts seeking to implement or improve their peer court.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to provide subject matter expertise and guidance by developing and maintaining updates of briefing papers on evidence-based practices on assessments, juvenile collaborative courts, and human trafficking.</li> <li>Publish research on girls’/CSEC courts as that court model grows;</li> <li>Provide subject matter expertise and guidance and coordinate with staff to other groups in the area of human trafficking;</li> <li>Continue to provide subject matter expertise on educational and training programs that focus on substance use disorders and enhanced educational support in delinquency and dependency cases;</li> </ul> |                   |

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|    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assist in the branch coordination of efforts to support work done by the Child Welfare Council’s Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) Action Team and other branch entities, including the CJER Advisory Committee, and the Violence Against Women Education Project (VAWEP) Planning Committee;</li> <li>• Assist in branch coordination efforts to address permanency for children in foster care by providing subject matter expertise and guidance to promote and expand the use of Dependency Drug Courts as a best practice model;</li> <li>• Provide education and technical assistance in the area of the needs of homeless youth;</li> <li>• Hold a youth court track at the biennial Beyond the Bench conference for youth and adults;</li> <li>• Collaborate with juvenile justice partners and stakeholders, including the California surgeon general’s office in order to explore alternatives for youth when juvenile hall closes, including how to address placement challenges for very young children or those who are aging out of system; and</li> <li>• Create a Dependency Drug Court web resource.</li> </ul> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Ongoing.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> Funded through external earmarked funding for collaborative and drug courts.<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Local courts, California Association of Collaborative Courts, and California Association of Youth Courts.</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b> Veterans in the Courts and Military Families Subcommittee, Juvenile Collaborative Justice Courts Subcommittee, Mental Health Subcommittee, and CJER Advisory Committee</p> |   |
| 3. | <p><b>Project Title: Mental Health: Identify Priority Issues and Best Practices; Continued Implementation of Assigned Recommendations of Mental Health Issues Implementation Task Force</b></p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b><br/> Identify priority policy issues and best practices regarding working to improve court responses for individuals with mental illness in the court system through legislation tracking, continued support for education, research, and the improved dissemination of information as outlined below.</p>   | <p><b>Priority 1</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>Strategic Plan Goal IV</b></p> |

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|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Track and review proposed legislation that impacts mental health in adult criminal, family law, dependency, and juvenile justice cases; Identify emerging mental health legislation, policies, and best practices in areas such as competency restoration, conservatorship and Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (LPS) cases to advocate for improvements, as appropriate.</li> <li>• Track, review and comment, as appropriate, on all proposed rules and regulations of State Departments and Agencies that relate to mentally ill individuals in the Courts</li> <li>• Continue to support education, research, and the improved dissemination of information including increasing the accessibility and relevancy of mental health resources on the Judicial Council website.</li> <li>• Assist in identifying emerging issues and needs for litigants with mental health issues, such as accommodation needs, issues related to incompetence to stand trial, informed consent and confidentiality, and serving veterans and military families.</li> <li>• Identify opportunities for collaboration with mental health stakeholders, programs, and initiatives (e.g., Stepping Up Initiative and Words to Deeds).</li> </ul> <p>Review the recommendations from the Mental Health Issues Implementation Task Force (MHIITF) that were identified as within Judicial Council purview and in need of continuing work for implementation, and were assigned, individually or in collaboration with other Judicial Council advisory bodies, to the CJCAC. The recommendations may be found at <a href="#">this link</a>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing review, development and implementation in coordination with advisory committees that are also assigned to review and work on the recommendation Examples of recommendations to be reviewed include, but are not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 13, 16: Mental health protocols/information sharing; Encourage collaborative justice courts for MH issues/local protocols for MH CJ courts;</li> <li>- 17: Develop teaching tool on how MH should guide case processing.</li> <li>- 28,(Recommendations related Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) issues): Dedicated competency calendars</li> <li>- 39: Self-help centers to provide information on MH and the courts;</li> <li>- 97: Youth exiting the juvenile delinquency system should receive appropriate reentry and aftercare services;</li> <li>- 107: Education and training related to juvenile development, mental health issues, co-occurring disorders, developmental disabilities, special education, and cultural competency related to these topics should be provided to all judicial officers</li> <li>- 111: Assessments and evaluations of the current data, processes, and outcomes of juvenile competence to stand trial in California should be conducted.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Ongoing.</p> |

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| 4. | <p><b>Project Title: Conduct multidisciplinary education to support effective practices and beneficial outcomes in collaborative justice courts. Identify and distribute information on new or pending policy changes</b></p>  | <p><b>Priority 1</b></p> <p><b>Strategic Plan Goal V</b></p> |
|    | <p><b>Project Summary</b> Continue execution of a multi-prong outreach, educational and training approach that supports the development of effective practices and beneficial outcomes in collaborative courts. Outreach activities may include notifying collaborative courts of policy changes that may be of impact (mental health or competency issues, diversion programs, or human trafficking, etc.) and identifying promising practices developed in response to the change. Educational and training activities include developing educational recommendations and assisting in implementation of judicial and multi-disciplinary education curricula in areas related to collaborative justice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to create, in consultation/collaboration with Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER) as appropriate, in-person and virtual trainings and educational materials in topic areas relevant to collaborative court programs such as drug court best practice standards, mental health, substance use disorders and treatment access for adults and youth, veterans and military families, military sexual trauma, reentry, human trafficking, and relevant policy/legislative changes.</li> <li>• Continue to collaborate with justice system partners on training activities. Partners may include, but are not limited to, California Association of Collaborative Courts (CACC), National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP), National Drug Court Institute Justice for Vets, the California Association of Youth Courts (CAYC), the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), the Department of Veterans Affairs, California Judges Association (CJA), and the American Bar Association (ABA), Commission on Homelessness and Poverty, and ABA Judicial Committee on Human Trafficking.</li> <li>• Continue to work with the CJER Advisory Committee to make recommendations for and assist in implementation of judicial and multidisciplinary education curricula in the area of collaborative justice. This includes providing guidance to committee staff regarding preparation of collaborative justice related educational toolkits and job aids and identification of faculty.</li> <li>• Continue to distribute information on effective practices through regular webinars, and hosting list-servs for collaborative court and mental health professionals.</li> </ul> |  |

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|    | <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Ongoing.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> Provides distance and in person education for local courts at reduced cost; provides information regarding effective/efficient court practices to reduce case processing costs and recidivism. Resources include council staff from Public Affairs and CJER.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Local courts, State Bar, Department of Veterans Affairs, California Association of Collaborative Courts, California Association of Youth Courts, Homeless Court Network, National Drug Court Institute, Center for Court Innovation, and National Center for State Courts</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b> CJER Advisory Committee and curriculum committees in criminal law, family and juvenile law, and probate and mental health law.</p>   |                   |
| 5. | <b>Project Title: Substance Abuse Focus Grant Allocations</b>   | <b>Priority 1</b> |
|    | <p><b>Strategic Plan Goal IV</b></p> <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Make recommendations to, and carry out the directives of the Judicial Council regarding allocations and administration of the Collaborative Justice Substance Abuse Focus Grant (SAFG), a legislatively mandated grant program, distributing funds from the State budget that are earmarked for collaborative and drug court projects and are available to support local collaborative justice and drug courts throughout California, as well as supplementing dependency drug courts with federal funding from the Court Improvement Project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report to the Judicial Council on grant activities.</li> <li>• Recommend to the Judicial Council grant allocations to local courts based on the Judicial Council approved allocation methodology;</li> <li>• Review biannual reports regarding funding distribution, invoicing, and deliverables reports from local courts;</li> <li>• Recommend methods of allocation and grants administration for next annual funding cycle; and,</li> <li>• Identify methods to increase funding through the SAFG program.</li> </ul> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Ongoing.</p> |                   |

| #  | <b>Ongoing Projects and Activities<sup>3</sup></b>   |                   |
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|    | <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> Funded through external earmarked funding for collaborative and drug courts. Resources include council staff from the Judicial Council’s Branch Accounting and Procurement.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Local courts, collaborative court coordinators, and California Association of Youth Courts.</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b> None</p>  |                   |
| 6. | <b>Project Title: Parolee Reentry Court Grant Allocations</b>  | <b>Priority 1</b> |
|    | <b>Strategic Plan Goal IV</b>  |                   |
|    | <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Continue the work of the Parolee Reentry Court program that distributes approximately \$1.1 million from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) through the Judicial Council to six parolee reentry courts. Funding for the project is reevaluated annually by CDCR. This project will involve the identification of potential longer term, ongoing funding to assist parolee reentry courts in program planning in future years.</p> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Current funding will expire June 30, 2021.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> Approximately \$1.1 is allocated to the courts and judicial council to implement the program. Resources include council staff from Branch Accounting and Procurement.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Local courts.</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b> None</p> |                   |
|    | <b>Project Title: Non-criminal Mental Health Cases</b>   | <b>Priority 2</b> |
|    | <b>Strategic Plan Goal IV</b>  |                   |



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|    | <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Continue to identify and address mental health issues through application of collaborative court principles in noncriminal case types, including civil, probate, family, and juvenile.</p> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Ongoing.</p> <p><b>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</b> Funded through external earmarked funding for mental health.<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b>Internal/External Stakeholders:</b> Local courts, California Association of Collaborative Courts, and California Association of Youth Courts.</p> <p><b>AC Collaboration:</b> Veterans Courts and Military Families Subcommittee, Juvenile Collaborative Justice Courts Subcommittee, Mental Health Subcommittee, and Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee.</p>  |  |
| 7. | <b>Project Title: Assist local courts to obtain funding and in-kind assistance, such as federal or state grants for local collaborative court projects</b>  | <p><b>Priority 1</b></p> <p><b>Strategic Plan Goal VII</b></p> |
|    | <p><b>Project Summary:</b> Distribute information on grants and other funding opportunities and assist local courts, upon their request, to obtain funding and other assistance for local collaborative court projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify funding and support efforts to increase funding for courts in collaboration with partners that may include, but are not limited to, the California State Legislature, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Juvenile Court Improvement Program, and the Bureau of Justice Assistance to support existing and planned collaborative courts;</li> <li>• Assist local courts in identifying appropriate federal grant opportunities and preparing applications for funding of collaborative courts through the federal funding cycle; and,</li> <li>• Share findings from collaborative court outcome and cost studies as well as compiled reports and studies from local collaborative courts with collaborative court coordinators in quarterly meetings to assist local courts in seeking local, federal, and private funding.</li> </ul> <p><b>Status/Timeline:</b> Ongoing.</p> |  |

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|   | <p><b><i>Fiscal Impact/Resources:</i></b><br/> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>The project includes allocations or distributions of funds to the courts, which have been reviewed and approved by Budget Services.</i></p> <p><b><i>Internal/External Stakeholders:</i></b> Local collaborative courts, California Association of Collaborative Courts, California Association of Youth Courts, National Center for State Courts, and Center for Court Innovation.</p> <p><b><i>AC Collaboration:</i></b> None</p> |

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### III. LIST OF 2019 PROJECT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

| #  | Project Highlights and Achievements  |
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| 1. | Developed and executed curriculum for two regional round tables in Sacramento and San Bernardino to assist courts in implementing mental health diversion programs set forth in AB 1810. The events allowed judges and court administrators to come together to brainstorm approaches for the implementation and procedural challenges presented by the new mental health diversion law (PC 1001.35, 1001.36). Discussion topics included group report status updates on AB 1810 implementation and screening and evaluation. Panel topics included collaborative court practices and principles and determining appropriate treatment and supervising treatment compliance. Judges and court administrators from 31 of the 58 Superior Courts (representing counties where 86% of Californians live) attended one of the two regional round tables. |
| 2. | Developed a script to assist judicial officers to meet the mandates of Penal Code section 858 to inform criminal litigants of their rights at arraignment and under Penal Code sections 1170.9 and 1179.91, and of the availability of the MIL-100 form.   |
| 3. | In partnership with the Center for Court Innovation (CCI), hosted a two-day strategic planning session for Veterans Treatment Courts that was attend by over 20 participants representing local trial courts, treatment providers, defense and prosecuting attorneys, Veteran’s Affairs, and members of the Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee. <b>The session resulted in a strategic plan to support Veterans Treatment Courts in California. Committee staff worked with CCI to identify resources that will be provided to the California Association of Collaborative Courts to assist in the execution of the strategic plan.</b>   |
| 4. | Hosted the Annual Youth Court Summit. Themed “Empowering Youth for Civic Engagement” the Summit was held at the University of Redlands and attended by nearly 200 youth and adults. Held in partnership with the California Association of Youth Courts, this year’s summit featured discussions on topics such as criminal justice reform, creative sentencing options, brain development, and ways for youth to make social impacts and change. A focus group was held at the summit for the purpose of gathering information from youth court directors to include in the Youth Court Toolkit that is being created by the juvenile subcommittee.   |
| 5. | Partnered with the California Association of Collaborative Courts on their annual conference to provide educational programs for judicial officers, collaborative court coordinators, court staff and partners. Over 300 representatives from the trial courts and justice system partners were in attendance. Held a Youth Court Regional Roundtable at the California Association of Collaborative Courts annual conference for the purpose of training court staff and community leaders on how to create a youth court in their jurisdictions.   |
| 6. | <p>Prioritized and implemented recommendations from the Mental Health Issues Implementation Task Force as noted below.</p> <p>Assigned MHIITF completed and implemented recommendations: 17, 20, 22, 23, 24, 27, 29, 31, 32, 35, 36, 67, 90, 93, 94, 95, 96, 103, 108, 109, 110, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 122, 124, 131</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deferring until such time resources allow initiation of recommendation, or if out of purview, referring to partner agencies:</li> </ul>  |

| #  | Project Highlights and Achievements  |
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| 7. | Updated California Courts website to include links to national and international research on collaborative justice and mental health issues, information regarding mental health and other collaborative courts, and best practice standards for drug courts.  |
| 8. | In a joint project with members of the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee, implemented the Rule of Court changes required by passage of AB 1214, which mandated the Judicial Council to adopt a rule of court identifying the training and experience needed for an expert to be competent in forensic evaluations of juveniles. |
| 9. | Developed and disseminated Mental Health Services Act (Proposition 63) Information Sheet to help educate, familiarize and assist local courts in the MHSA process for obtaining funding for court programs addressing mental health, including family law, dependency, juvenile justice, and adult criminal cases                        |

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