Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction Grant

In 2015, the Board of State and Community Corrections announced the Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction Grant. At the time, the SFSD convened a steering committee, applied for and was awarded $950,000.00 over a three year period.

First 3 Years:
July, 2015 – June 2018

103 Clients
- Complex clients-high needs
- History of not engaging in community treatment
- History of jail and hospital use

FY 17-18: Funding from SFSD to continue program
Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction Grant
Of the 103 clients served:

Gender
- Male: 70%
- Female: 27%
- Transgender: 3%

Race
- Hispanic: 21%
- Black: 29%
- White: 38%
- Asian: 10%
- Other: 2%

Age Range
- 18-25: 28
- 26-44: 15
- 45-64: 58
- 65+: 2

Status Count
- Graduated: 26
- Self-Terminated: 26
- Active: 26
- Court-Terminated: 14
- Incompetent / Conserved: 7
- Bench Warrant issued: 2
- Legally Completed: 2

San Francisco Sheriff
NoVA and Harbor Lights:
No Violence Alliance is a voluntary program and the goal is to affect violent and habitual crime on an individual basis by identifying persons primarily with a history of violence, and providing post-release intensive case management, housing, Citywide therapy services and support for successful community re-entry.

Over the last two years, the NoVA program has been evolving with the increase of dual-diagnosis mental health and substance abuse clients who are committing violent and/or habitual crimes in San Francisco. The NoVA program along with Westside and Citywide took a larger role in the implementation of Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction Grants (MIOCRG), which included the opening of an additional sober living environment (SLE) house and creating an effective partnership with Salvation Army Harbor Lights stabilization / detox. The department currently has 5 dedicated beds at Harbor Lights.
NoVA - No Violence Alliance

Fiscal Year 2017-2018

Average Daily Population: 105
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NEW INITIATIVES - POST Release

**Discharge Planning:** Service providers work between 2pm and 10pm providing linkage services to high need and vulnerable persons. The office is directly located outside of the release facility. This program intends as a means of providing direct support to individuals with short-term reentry needs.

**Safe Passage:** Provides cab rides to persons being released from custody between 8pm and 5am in order to maximize their safety upon release.

**Safe Harbor:** Provides emergency housing to vulnerable, at risk persons who are released from jail at night and who do not have reasonable accommodations available.

**Clinical Resources for Pretrial:**
The SFSD was awarded $300,000 in funding a Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program Grant to improve pretrial outcomes for clients with serious mental health issues. A new, full-time Masters-level Clinical Social Worker was hired to provide in-depth behavioral health assessments for mentally ill persons released pretrial, along with ongoing counseling, support, referral, and placement advocacy services.

- Addresses need from implementation of the PSA, which reduced mental health as a basis of detention but created a gap in assessment and support to clients
NEW INITIATIVES – In-Custody

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PROSPECTIVE INITIATIVES

Culinary Class CJ#2:
The week of October 22, SFSD will introduce a culinary training program to the women at CJ#2. This program includes classroom instruction coupled with the application of learned skills in a working kitchen with a primary focus on baking.

TAY Case Management and Violence Reduction Programming: The Department of Children Youth and Their Families has provided resources to provide reentry and linkage services to persons aged 18 to 24. SFSD is working with these providers to bring violence reduction groups to the in-custody TAY populations who currently have limited program participation based on in-custody behavior or classification factors.

Additionally, the Niroga Institute will provide classes in mindful yoga intended to heal trauma.

Job Readiness: Workshops designed to assist individuals in searching for and finding meaningful employment. Services will be offered at the WRC for women and transwomen and at 70 Oak Grove for all persons.
Program Participant Recidivism 07/01/16 - 06/30/17

Definition of recidivism: Arraigned on a new offense or held on probation or parolee, in San Francisco County, within 12 months post release.