



**Independent Office of Law Enforcement Review and Outreach (IOLERO)  
Community Advisory Council (CAC)  
Public Meeting Agenda  
November 1, 2023 6:00 p.m.  
Finley Community Center  
2060 W. College Avenue  
Manzanita Room  
Santa Rosa, CA. 95401**

The November 1, 2023 Community Advisory Council meeting will be held as an in-person/online hybrid format.

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Members of the Community Advisors Council will attend the meeting in person, except that they may attend virtually via ZOOM, to the extent allowable by the Brown Act for good cause pursuant to AB-2449.

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2. **Interpretación al español se proveerá si usted lo pide antes de la junta.** Por favor llame al Gerente de Compromiso Comunitario del CAC al 707-565-1534 o notifícanos por correo electrónico [cac@sonoma-county.org](mailto:cac@sonoma-county.org) antes de las 12:00 p.m., el viernes, 27 de Octubre del 2023. Haremos todo lo posible para complacerlo. Para traducción en español, se tiene que usar la versión de Zoom 5.9.0 o una versión más adelantada.

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## **Public Comment at Community Advisory Council Meetings**

Members of the public are free to address the CAC. Public comments:

- Should fall under the subject matter jurisdiction of the CAC (as noted in the founding documents).
- Are time-limited. Time limitations are at the discretion of the Director and Chair and may be adjusted to accommodate all speakers.

In addition to oral public comment at the meetings, the community is also invited to communicate with IOLERO staff and CAC members through email. Members of the public who would like to make statements that may exceed the time limits for public comment, suggest topics to be placed on future agendas, or suggest questions to be raised and discussed by CAC members or staff, may send an email addressing these matters to [CAC@sonoma-county.org](mailto:CAC@sonoma-county.org)

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## **Agenda**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL**

### **2. COMMITMENT TO CIVIL ENGAGEMENT**

### **3. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 4, 2023 MEETING MINUTES**

### **4. OPENINGS AND APPOINTMENTS**

Chair will report out on current openings and appointments.

A. Introductions of New Members

B. Current Vacancies:

- District 5

### **5. CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS**

The Chair will report out on correspondence items received from members of the public and relevant to CAC business.

**6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT (ORAL REPORT ONLY)**

**7. SHERIFF'S LIAISON REPORT (ORAL REPORT ONLY)**

**8. BUSINESS ITEMS**

- A. Receive and Discuss Presentation on Mental Health/Mobile Crisis Expansion
- B. Discussion and Possible Action to Establish an Ad Hoc on Evictions
- C. Discussion on the Canine Policy Draft Comments Provided by the Policy Recommendations Ad Hoc Committee

**9. CAC COMMITTEE REPORTS (ORAL REPORTS)**

Councilmembers to provide verbal reports and/or updates on the work being conducted by their committees. There are no written reports for these items.

- A. Community Engagement
- B. Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA)
- C. Recruitment and Hiring Practices
- D. Policy Recommendations Review

**10. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

This section is intended for items not appearing on the agenda but within the subject matter jurisdiction of the CAC. Please state your name and who you represent, if applicable. Comments will be limited at the discretion of the chairs based on number of comments and other factors.

**11. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**12. CAC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilmembers may provide oral announcements on things related to CAC business.

### **13. ADJOURNMENT**

The next regular meeting of the Community Advisory Council will be Wednesday December 6, 2023 at 6:00pm. The in-person/hybrid meeting will be at the following location:

**Location:  
Finley Community Center  
2060 W. College Avenue  
Manzanita Room  
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### **Commitment to Civil Engagement**

All are encouraged to engage in respectful, non-disruptive communication that supports freedom of speech and values diversity of opinion. We, the members of the CAC, have adopted a list of norms referred to as our “Designed Team Alliance”, which describes the way we want to show-up and be in community while modeling collaborative behavior. We request that CAC members, staff, and the public follow the CAC’s agreed upon norms, which are:

- Be tough on the topic not on people
- Respect all participants in the meeting
- Respect others’ perspective, even when you disagree
- Respect each other’s time
- Stay within the meeting’s time and content parameters
- Practice active listening
- Listen with an open mind to all information, including dissenting points of view
- Speak to others as you would like to be spoken to
- Allow others to speak without comment or intrusive sounds
- Honor freedom of speech
- Call each other “in”



**Community Advisory Council Meeting Minutes**  
Independent Office of Law Enforcement Review and Outreach  
**October 4, 2023**

**Members of the public and CAC members attended this meeting in person/online hybrid format. October 4, 2023 Community Advisory Council meeting was held hybrid in person and via zoom.**

**PRESENT**

Council Members: Tom Rose, David Jones, Darnell Bowen, Nathan Solomon, Lorena Barrera, Nancy Pemberton, Esther Lemus (arrived at 6:17), Robin Jurs (via zoom).

IOLERO Staff: Lizett Camacho, Community Engagement Manager

Members of the Public: 5 members of the public attended via Zoom. 3 members attended in-person.

Sheriff's Office: Deputy Sheriff Jones

Absent: John Alden, Director

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**AGENDA**

**1. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting was facilitated by CAC Chair Barrera. Councilmembers introduced themselves to the public.

**2. COMMITMENT TO CIVIL ENGAGEMENT**

**Vice Chair Pemberton read the Commitment to Civil Engagement to the public.**

**3. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 MEETING MINUTES**

A. Motion to approve minutes: Councilmember Rose

2<sup>nd</sup>: Councilmember Jones

Vote:

Ayes: Rose, Jurs, Bowen, Jones, Barrera, Solomon

Abstain: Pemberton  
Absent: Lemus (was not present for the vote)  
Motion carries.

#### **4. OPENINGS AND APPOINTMENTS**

A. We continue to have the following vacancies:

1. District 3
2. District 4
3. District 5

#### **5. CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS**

Chair Barrera reported that over the past couple of weeks, the CAC received emails from community members. The emails were also addressed to the Board of Supervisors regarding the IOLERO Annual Report and the importance of transparency when it comes to law enforcement oversight. All emails were shared with the CAC members.

#### **6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The Director was absent and had no report to share.

#### **6. SHERIFF'S LIAISON REPORT**

The Sheriff's Liaison shared with the CAC members that there is an open invitation to do a ride along and to participate in a simulator experience with the Sheriff's Office. He asked that council members please complete the application that was emailed.

#### **7. BUSINESS ITEMS**

- A. Presentation and Discussion on the Topic of Ralph M. Brown Act and Public Records Act
- B. Presentation on the item was provided by Elizabeth Coleman, Deputy County Counsel for Sonoma County. Council Members asked questions and provided comments.

Public comment: There were no public comments on this item.

## **8. CAC AD HOC REPORTS**

A. Community Engagement: Vice Chair Pemberton shared about their meeting today. There were 2 councilmembers in attendance as well as 2 members of the community. Next meeting will be in December. Vice Chair Pemberton shared that she had a conversation with Sheriff Engram about doing community outreach outside the jail, Sheriff Engram said that was fine. The Andy Lopez memorial details were also shared.

B. Racial and Identity Profiling Act (RIPA): Councilmember Bowen shared the Ad Hoc has met twice already. The ad hoc continues to analyze the RIPA data available from the DOJ website. The goal is to submit a 2<sup>nd</sup> set of questions to the SCSO to get a better understanding of the data submitted for the County.

C. Recruitment and Hiring Practices: Councilmember Lemus reported on meeting with Chief Cregan from the City of Santa Rosa. SRPD is fully staffed. The committee asked about his approaches and how to minimize barriers to the hiring process. Committee will be requesting a meeting with the SCSO.

D. Policy Recommendations Review: Councilmember Jones shared that along with Councilmember Rose, they have met with 1 member of the public to discuss policy recommendation review. The committee will be requesting a meeting with the SCSO to exchange ideas.

## **9. OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

A community member shared that there will be a TRUTH Act ICE Access Community Forum on Tuesday October 10, 2023 at 6p via zoom. Details have been sent via email.

A community member shared that there will be a RIPA Webinar hosted by CLEAN on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 6pm via Zoom. Registration is required and can be done via CLEAN's website, [cleancommittee.org](http://cleancommittee.org).

## **10. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

A. Creation of Ad Hoc on Evictions

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

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# Medi-Cal Mobile Crisis Services Benefit

November 1, 2023



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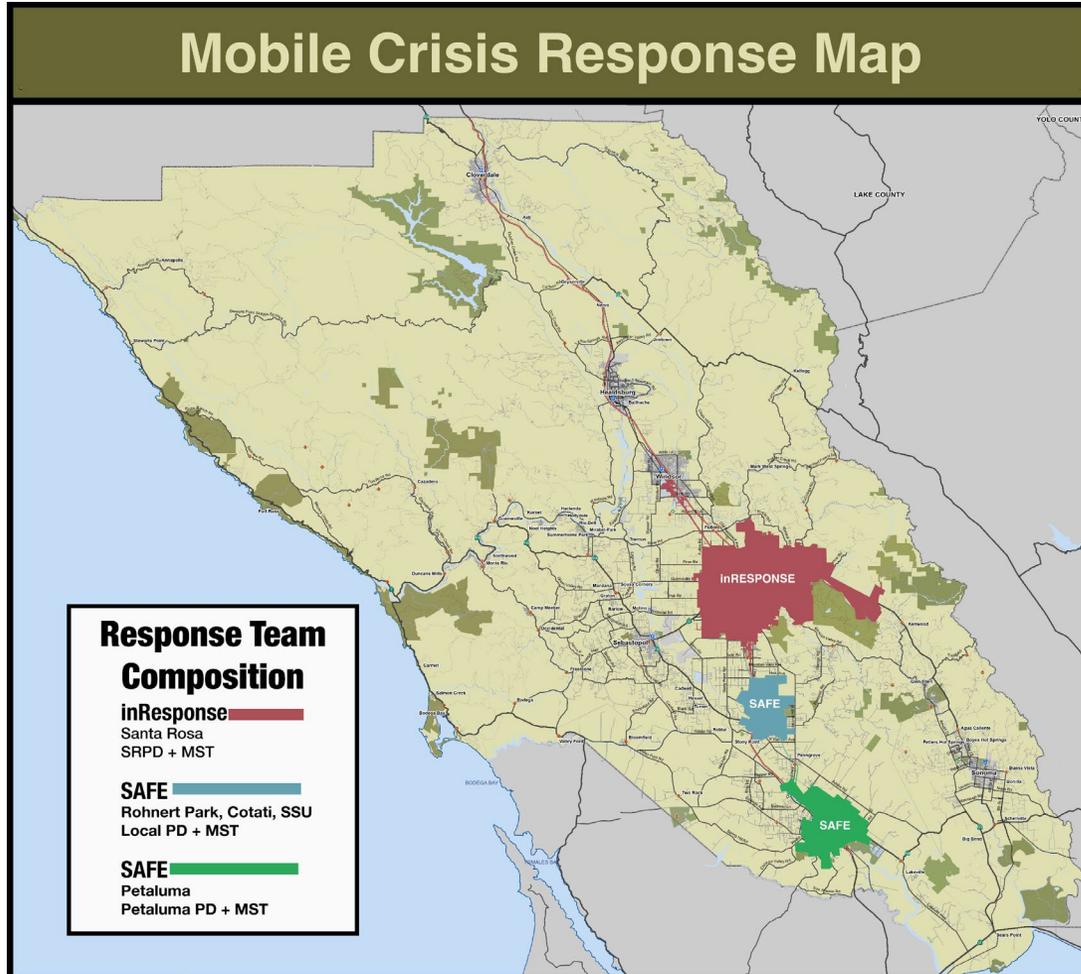
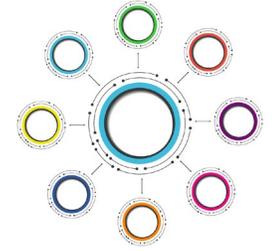
# Mobile Crisis Services Benefit

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- California Department of Health Care Services is requiring counties to provide community-based mobile services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries experiencing a behavioral health crisis beginning January 1, 2024.
- Provides rapid response, individual assessment and community-based stabilization to reduce the immediate risk of danger and subsequent harm.
- Avoids unnecessary emergency department care, psychiatric inpatient hospitalizations and law enforcement involvement.

# Existing Mobile Crisis Teams



- inRESPONSE (Santa Rosa)
- SAFE (Petaluma)
- SAFE (Rohnert Park)
- SAFE (Cotati)
- SAFE (SSU)
- Mobile Support Team (County)

# Regional Collaboration

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- Partner with SAFE & inRESPONSE to increase their capabilities to serve their existing jurisdictions.
- Expand and revise existing Behavioral Health MST to meet new DHCS requirements.
- Establish MOUs with cities & law enforcement for dispatch and mutual support.

# Crisis Services Hotline

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- One telephone number to serve as a crisis services hotline for the dispatch of mobile crisis teams 24/7.
- Utilize the existing **1-800-746-8181** number used by the Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) and has been used in the community and given to those in crisis for years.
- Will provide a “live” response with staff responding to all calls from the hotline. Answering service not allowed.
- Coordinate with inRESPONSE, SAFE, 988, local law enforcement, 911, and community partners.

# Dispatch of Teams

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- A standardized dispatch tool and procedures to determine when to dispatch a mobile crisis team.
- Procedures identifying how mobile crisis teams will respond to dispatch requests.
- Team will meet the individual in crisis at their location unless they request to be met at an alternate location.
- Currently evaluating infrastructure needs including dispatch and call systems.

# Team Requirements

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- Each team must have 2 responders (1 may respond via telehealth under certain conditions).
- At least 1 team member shall be carrying, trained, and able to administer naloxone.
- At least 1 member shall be able to conduct a crisis assessment.
- If team does not have a licensed practitioner of the healing arts (LPHA), one must be available via telehealth.

# Team Composition



## Teams can include 1 member from each category:

Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts (LPHA)	Non-LPHA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Licensed Physicians</li> <li>• Licensed Psychologists*</li> <li>• Licensed Clinical Social Workers*</li> <li>• Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors*</li> <li>• Licensed Marriage And Family Therapists*</li> <li>• Registered Licensed Psychiatric Technicians</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>*Includes waived and registered.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Occupational Therapist</li> <li>• Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Counselor</li> <li>• Peer Support Specialist</li> <li>• Community Health Workers</li> <li>• Emergency Medical Technicians</li> <li>• Advanced Emergency Medical Technicians</li> <li>• Paramedics</li> <li>• Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist</li> </ul>



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## Policy 309 Canines

CAC welcomes Sheriff Engram's recently published public commitment that when "we see a chance that we can do better or tighten up a policy, then we will."

California law now expressly requires law enforcement agencies to maintain policies which provide "**comprehensive and specific guidelines regarding approved methods and devices available for the application of force,**" which plainly includes canine policy. See Penal Code Section 7286. Cal DOJ and Cal POST have both expressly emphasized this statutory requirement for clearer guidance to law enforcement. See Cal DOJ Information Bulletin 2020-DLE-10; POST Use of Force Standards and Guidelines, 2021.

Some LE agencies in California and elsewhere have responded to this legal requirement by recommending and implementing canine policies providing increased detail and specificity in guidance for the deployment and use of canines. The general thrust is to more clearly anticipate and define scenarios supporting appropriate uses and limitations and controls on canine use, all as a matter of official, adopted policy.

To respond to these legal requirements and to public demand for reform including active civilian oversight, CAC requests that SCSO (1) promptly respond to previous CAC recommendations regarding canine policy, dated July 12, 2021, and (2) thoroughly review its Policy 309 "Canines," and provide updated comprehensive and specific guidelines for field canine deployment, including:

1. Develop a thorough, humane statement of purpose and intention regarding public safety reasons for law enforcement canine uses, together with a stated recognition that canines and handlers must be properly trained, supervised, deployed and subject to strict control and review by supervisors and command staff. See Sacramento PD GO 580.14 Intro material.
2. Update current policy language, much of which is undefined and overly subjective. SCSO Policy 309 discloses a heavy reliance on undefined terms and generalized concepts which leave the handler with often unstructured general discretion. Handlers can "deploy" canines as deemed "appropriate" and "reasonable," when a suspect has committed or "threatened to commit" and "serious offense," and is an "imminent threat," or is resisting or "threatening to resist arrest" or is "concealed." More structure and definition are needed to meet statutory requirements and to assist, support and structure patrol deputies' decision making in the field.

3. Consider identifying specific crimes, categories of crimes or conduct which DO, and which specifically DO NOT, warrant use of canine to find and bite when other listed exigency criteria are met. See Sac PD GO 580.14 at C.1, 2.
4. Consider specifically requiring handler to obtain approval from field supervisor prior to search or find and bite deployment. Exception for rapidly evolving situations preventing timely access to supervisor. See Sac PD GO 580.14 A. 1.
5. Develop comprehensive, specific guidance regarding specific tasks which are to be accomplished with leashed canines. Expressly define limited authorization to use unleashed canines to bite, or find and bite, dangerous suspects under comprehensively and specifically described circumstances.
6. Develop comprehensive, specific guidance requiring that canine is to be deployed to find and bite for strictly limited articulable tactical purposes and strictly controlled, limited duration. Canine is to be continuously monitored and re-evaluated by handler, who remains responsible for the canine throughout the deployment.
7. Develop specific guidance and criteria for when a canine will and will not be released to find and bite (1) an on view suspect, (2) a suspect believed/not believed to be violent, (3) a suspect believed/not believed to be armed, (4) an unseen or concealed suspect, (5) a fleeing suspect, etc. Identify scenarios commonly encountered in field and provide comprehensive and specific guidance for each.
8. Develop specific guidance and criteria which require canine handler to order canine to release suspect.(ie, verbal surrender; hands seen not in possession of weapon, physical compliance with orders, etc.) See Sac PD GO 580.14 at C.3.
9. Develop specific requirement that canine handler shall ensure that canine is continuously trained and prepared to release a bitten suspect on command, and provide comprehensive, specific guidelines as to what action shall be taken when canine does not immediately release when ordered.
10. Develop plain statement that handler is responsible for deployed canine at all times and that deployment and use of canine in violation of policy is grounds for discipline as is any use of force which violates department policy. .