



## **Alternatives to Incarceration**

### **Advisory Group Meeting**

**Wednesday, December 14, 2022, 4:30-6:00 p.m. PST**

Advisory Group Members Present: Charlene Autolino, Lon Chhay, Manuel Enriquez, Dr. Darwin Fishman, Anthony Gonzales, Bill Payne, Wehtahnah Tucker

Advisory Group Members Absent: Laila Aziz, Dr. Andrea Dauber-Griffin, Betsy Jacobson, Martin Leyva, Niki Martinez, Jackie Reed, Reginald Washington

SANDAG Staff Present: Dr. Octavio Rodriguez Ferreira, Dr. Sarah Egan, Sydney Frierson, Cesar Sanchez

#### **Update on Project Timeline and Completed/Upcoming Tasks**

- Dr. Octavio Rodriguez Ferreira presented on the status of several research questions. The research questions he presented updates on included the justice system contact question, the needs assessment (i.e., needs and services and barriers and gaps in services), and the cost analysis. Within these updates, Dr. Octavio Rodriguez Ferreira discussed the methodology used to answer each question as well as the data sources used to generate the datasets utilized.
- Bill Payne asked for some additional insight into how the cost analysis model inputs were derived. He discussed how the population used in the analysis may not accurately represent the experience and cost of incarceration.
- Dr. Darwin Fishman discussed how police practices can heavily impact the cost analysis and expressed concerns that they were not accounted for. Some of the police practices he mentioned included consistently arresting individuals with substance abuse disorders and mental health issues.
- Manuel Enriquez expressed concern that the cost of rehabilitative services was incorrectly represented in the cost analysis.
- Wehtahnah Tucker expressed concern that the cost analysis is difficult to understand and may be interpreted incorrectly by the Board of Supervisors. She also discussed how it seems unlikely that the cost analysis portion of the study can be contextualized in a representative way.

#### **Discussion of January Community Forums**

- Charlene Autolino suggested scheduling these forums at the same time as the July community forums with the highest number of participants.
- Wehtahnah Tucker commented that it is difficult to recruit participants for these forums as the motive for their participation isn't very clear.

### **Update on Advisory Group Addendum Efforts**

- Bill Payne commented that Dr. Andrea Dauber Griffin, Wehtahnah Tucker, and himself will begin drafting an addendum and the group intends to then share that addendum with the other advisory group members for their review and suggested revisions.

### **Open Discussion**

- Dr. Darwin Fishman commented that he believed the best practices portion of the literature review should review more practices from other counties and cities.
- The Advisory Group members discussed logistics of an in-person joint meeting with the ATI Working Group.