County of Santa Cruz SSP Program Update

SSP Advisory Commission

January 11, 2022

Rahshan Williams, SSP Program Coordinator

Current Activities – Rahshan Williams

Goals: prevent disease, link to treatment and services, improve public safety

Distribution and Collection

2-year trend graphs

Safe Disposal

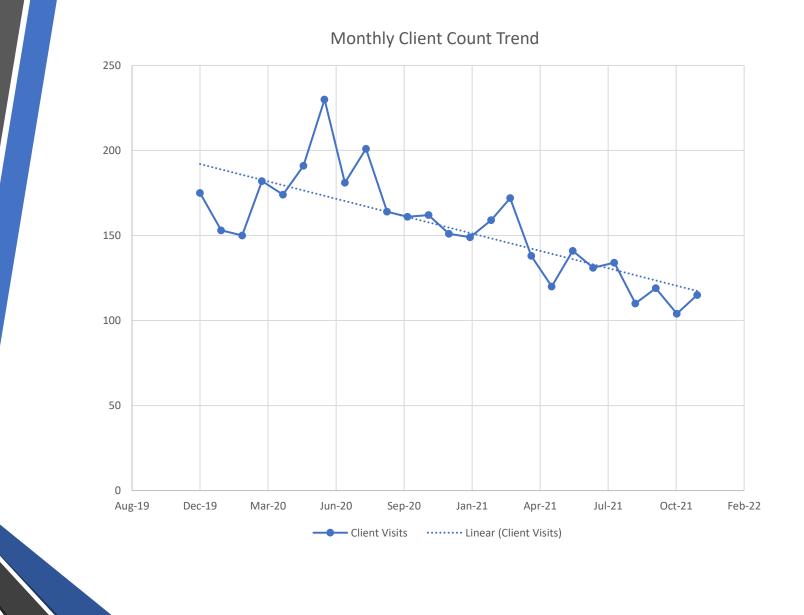
Work on Board Directive

Enhanced Referrals

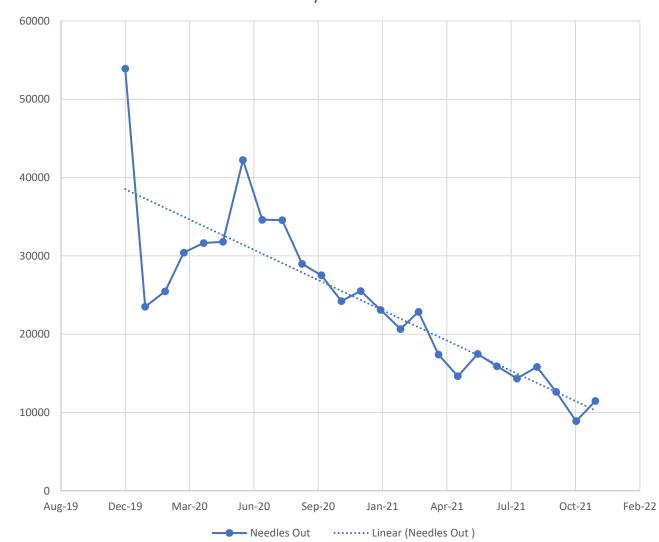
SUD Referrals

HIV/HCV

Participant use of our Exchanges

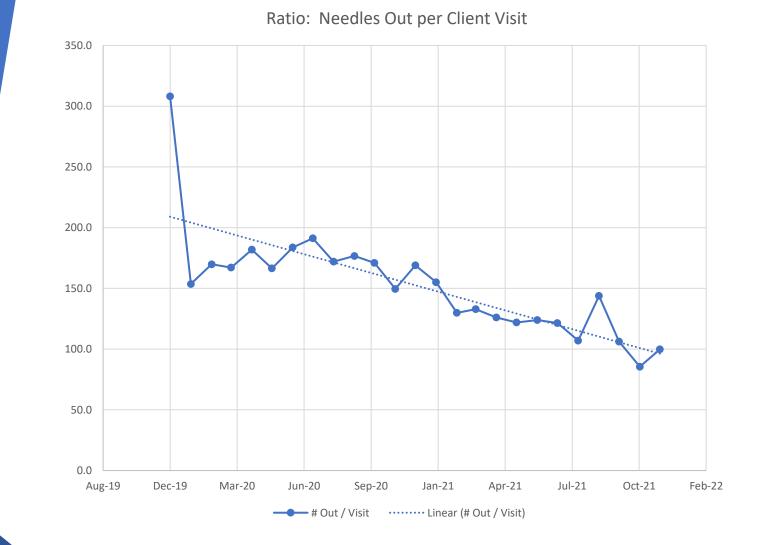


Distribution of Syringes from our Exchanges



Monthly Needle Trend

Needle Distribution per Participant Visit



Syringe Litter Reporting and Reduction efforts

Board of Supervisors Directive

Direct the Health Services Agency, Department of Public Works (DPW) and Information Services Department to collaborate on

a) implementing the My Santa Cruz County App as a tool to address public syringe litter reporting in the unincorporated areas of Santa Cruz County;

b) leveraging existing solid waste disposal resources and improving overall litter efforts of the County of Santa Cruz and Cities of Santa Cruz and Watsonville; and

c) jointly reporting back on progress by December 7,2021

Syringe litter Reporting App is ready to Launch The County ISD is ready to launch the Syringe Litter Reporting Function on the My Santa Cruz County App.

Reports of Syringe litter will be directed to targeted e-mail accounts:

- Scotts Valley
- Capitola
- Watsonville
- Unincorporated areas of the county
- County Parks

Project in Phases



Phase 1



Set up Litter reporting function of MySantaCruzCounty App

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Phase 2

Improving data collection and reporting from organizations that collect syringe litter

Fixes and changes to Syringe Page in MySCCounty App

Mapping Syringe litter and making information accessible

Advertising

Syringe litter collection and Reporting Continuing to work with partners to improve reporting of syringe litter abatement #s and locations:

- Save our Shores
- Watsonville Works (CAB)
- Downtown Streets Team
- Clean Team Associates
- Harm Reduction Coalition of Santa Cruz
- Scotts Valley
- Capitola
- Watsonville
- City of Santa Cruz
- County Department of Public Works
- County Parks Department

Continuing work to Improve Referrals

Changes to SSP Database

Changes have not been implemented yet. I anticipate they will be by next month

Staff Training on referrals for SUD treatment

CARe Team staff received Training from SCC Behavioral Health on the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System

Thank you

