

# 10 ALTERNATIVES TO BUILDING A NEW JAIL IN SAN MATEO COUNTY

1. Expand community-based treatment options for individuals with substance abuse and mental health issues. For example, expand the Pathways Mental Health Program already operating in the County.
2. Institute alternatives to imprisonment for people who are charged with sex work, or minor property crimes.
3. Reduce the number of people who are thrown in jail because of parole and probation violations
4. Expand programming and alternatives to incarceration for sentenced individuals.
5. Expand re-entry services for former prisoners.
6. Dismantle barriers to employment, housing and social services for former prisoners.
7. Prioritize funding for community-based programs led by formerly imprisoned people and their family members instead of the Sheriff's and Probations departments.
8. Expand access to higher education, affordable housing, mental and medical healthcare, public transportation, and living wage work.
9. Institute an evidence-based pre-trial assessment program so people are not unnecessarily jailed because they cannot afford to pay bail.
10. Stop honoring ICE holds. 12.7% of people in San Mateo jails are on voluntary ICE holds.

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