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# El Dorado County Sheriff's Office

## Press Release



### Sheriff's Captain appointed to Court Advisory Committee

Department: Sheriff

Contact: Sgt. Phil Chovanec

Date: October 17, 2013

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In a letter dated September 18, 2013, El Dorado County Sheriff's Office Captain Randy Peshon received notice of his appointment to the Judicial Council Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee by Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye, Chief Justice of California and Chair of the Judicial Council. Captain Peshon was nominated for this prestigious position by El Dorado County Superior Court Presiding Judge Suzanne N. Kingsbury.

*"The Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee makes recommendations for improving the processing of cases in drug courts, domestic violence courts, peer courts, and other community-based treatment courts. The committee proposes rules, standards, and forms; reviews and recommends legislation; identifies potential funding sources; oversees the treatment court grant process; and acts on assignments referred to it by the Judicial Council."*

(Excerpt in italics taken from the appointment letter Captain Peshon received from the Judicial Council of California - Administrative Office of the Courts)

The Administrative Office of the Courts is structured to provide recommendations for improving justice administration and it serves as the staff agency for the Judicial Council, which is the constitutional policymaking body of the California Courts. The agency is organized into nine divisions in San Francisco, two divisions in Sacramento, and three regional offices with a staff of more than 900 serving the courts. The Collaborative Justice Courts Advisory Committee is a crucial committee among the ten committees serving the Administrative Office of the Courts. One Law Enforcement representative appointed by the Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court sits on this advisory committee.

Captain Peshon is currently assigned as the Sheriff's Custody Division Commander, responsible for managing and leading the Division which consists of two jails, Placerville and Lake Tahoe, and the Bailiff and Transportation units. In addition to his normal duties, Capt. Peshon has been assigned to the Community Corrections Partnership Working Group, which is managing the impacts of AB109 (realignment). He is also deeply involved in transitional planning for mentally ill inmates, and managing the new Sheriff's headquarters design and construction project.

Peshon's law enforcement career has spanned over 36 years, between the El Dorado County Sheriff's Office, the United States Park Service, and the East Bay Parks Police Department.

Peshon is a graduate of the University of California, Berkley. His leadership training includes being student, facilitator, and auditor of the Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST) Sherman Block Supervisory Leadership Institute, a graduate of the POST Command College, and the prestigious FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia.

Sheriff D'Agostini said "I am very proud of Captain Peshon's appointment to this important committee, which has state-wide impacts, he is a recognized leader and expert in the court and corrections fields".

Captain Peshon's appointment becomes effective November 1, 2013 and ends on October 31, 2016.



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October 18, 2013

Board of Directors  
 El Dorado County Fire Protection District  
 4040 Carson Road  
 Camino, CA 95709

Re: Cash Advance to County Fire Protection District

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the County has advanced cash to your district.

As of October 18, 2013 your district's cash position with the County was as follows:

District's General Fund (negative)	< \$ 2,293,267 >
Development Fee Fund	198,467
Retiree Health Fund	133,870
Long Term Health Fund	106,347
Shingle Springs Assessment Fund	716,314
Building Trust Fund Stn 28	94
Cafeteria Plan	15

Your district has a net cash balance in the County Treasury of negative \$1,138,157. Your District's cash position in the General Fund probably will decrease significantly until the December 10<sup>th</sup> property tax revenues have been posted.

The Government Code authorizes the County to make cash advances to special districts. Resolution Number 436-74, adopted in 1974, authorizes the County Auditor to make cash advances of up to 85% of the special district's anticipated revenues, if the special district "banks" in the County Treasury. The Supervisors have the authority to rescind my authority to make cash advances to special districts.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Joe Harn, CPA  
 Auditor-Controller

cc: El Dorado County Board of Supervisors  
 C.L. Raffety, Treasurer-Tax Collector




EL DORADO COUNTY  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

**MEMO**

**Date:** October 18, 2013

**To:** Supervisor Ron Briggs, Chair  
Supervisor Ron Mikulaco  
Supervisor Ray Nutting  
Supervisor Brian Veerkamp  
Supervisor Norma Santiago

**From:** Don Ashton   
Interim Director

**Subject:** MENTAL HEALTH RELOCATION

As you are aware, on May 7, 2013, the Board of Supervisors approved a lease for space at 768 Pleasant Valley Road in Diamond Springs for the Mental Health Division and the Alcohol and Drug Program Services. Since that time the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSa) has been working with the Facilities Division, the Mental Health Commission, and the building owner to complete the tenant improvements and prepare the building for occupancy in a manner that best meets the needs of our clients.

HHSa received the final certificate of occupancy this afternoon and as a result will be relocating to Diamond Springs over the weekend of October 25, 2013. By meeting the target of moving in prior to November 1, 2013, we are able to receive two full months of free rent, saving the Mental Health Division a total of approximately \$48,000.

The following is a summary of benefits the new building will provide to clients and staff:

- ✦ A modern building that presents a warm, welcoming, and professional environment for our clients.
- ✦ A new, larger Wellness Center that will include a washer/dryer, kitchen, and group area indoors as well as an outdoor patio and gardening area for use by our clients.
- ✦ The building is ADA and HIPAA compliant and has two separate waiting areas; one designated for adult clients and one for children.
- ✦ The new building has also been retrofitted with a state-of-the-art sound masking system and interior insulation to ensure our clients are provided the highest levels of privacy and confidentiality.
- ✦ Staff seating areas are being grouped by teams to encourage a more collaborative and efficient approach toward increased Community Based Services.

While the Mental Health Division is able to begin occupying the building and provide services to clients, there are a few outstanding items pending completion, including the following two items which received attention during the discussion on May 7, 2013:

- Bus Stop

You may recall that transportation to the building was a significant concern to the Mental Health Commission and the community. To address this issue, our Facilities Management Division worked closely with El Dorado County Transit to construct a bus stop at the building, with Transit agreeing to pay a portion of these costs. It is anticipated that construction of the bus stop will begin early next week and be completed within 2 – 3 weeks.

In the interim, HHSA has established a van shuttle service to pick up and deliver clients to and from existing bus stops, and will continue this service until the bus stop is completed.

- Parking Lot Expansion

As you may recall, the lease required the landlord to expand the size of the parking lot to allow for up to 90 parking spaces. Construction of the expanded parking lot began yesterday, October 17, 2013, and it will not be completed prior to the move in date of October 25<sup>th</sup>.

However, an analysis of the parking needs identified that on any normal day, there is sufficient parking. In the event parking becomes an issue prior to completion of the additional parking spaces, the County owned vehicle allocated to Mental Health will be temporarily parked at our office on Briw Road, which will ensure sufficient parking is available.

Lastly, attached for your review is a copy of a press release announcing the relocation to 768 Pleasant Valley Road.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Attachment

c. Terri Daly

**NEWS RELEASE****El Dorado County  
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY  
Mental Health Division**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
October 17, 2013

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**County's Mental Health Clinic to Move to Diamond Springs**

The El Dorado County Mental Health Clinic, currently located at 670 Placerville Drive in Placerville, is moving to 768 Pleasant Valley Road, Suite 201, in Diamond Springs. The anticipated move date is October 25, with clinic doors expected to be open for clients at the new location on October 28. County Alcohol and Drug Program services now located at 670 Placerville Drive will also move to the new Diamond Springs site and be co-located with Mental Health services. Clinic and staff telephone numbers will remain the same.

"We are working hard to ensure a smooth transition during our move, with as little disruption in services as possible," said Patricia Charles-Heathers, Assistant Director of El Dorado County Health Services. "The physical move of office furniture and computers will be completed over the weekend. We have also collaborated with the El Dorado County Department of Transportation to build a transit bus stop at the new site in Diamond Springs and are making additional plans to address transportation needs that may arise as a result of the move."

According to Charles-Heathers, there are a number of benefits to the new Mental Health Clinic location including a larger space for the Clinic's Wellness Center. "The Wellness Center is an area at our Mental Health Clinic where people with mental illness can come to receive support, participate in group activities and learn important and practical life skills," said Charles-Heathers. "Our new location will include more room for the Wellness Center, a full kitchen, washer and dryer, and a space for a garden. We believe these improvements will prove to be very beneficial to those who use the Wellness Center."

Clients and family members with questions regarding the Wellness Center, Mental Health

Clinic move or transportation needs are encouraged to speak with their case manager.

Community members with general questions regarding the move may contact Laura Eakin at (530)

621-6321 or Cynthia Kjellin at (530) 642-7266. Mental Health is a division of the El Dorado

County Health and Human Services Agency. For more information about Mental Health services

in El Dorado County, contact County Mental Health at (530) 621-6290 or visit

[www.edcgov.us/mentalhealth](http://www.edcgov.us/mentalhealth).

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