

Budget and Finance Committee Presentation

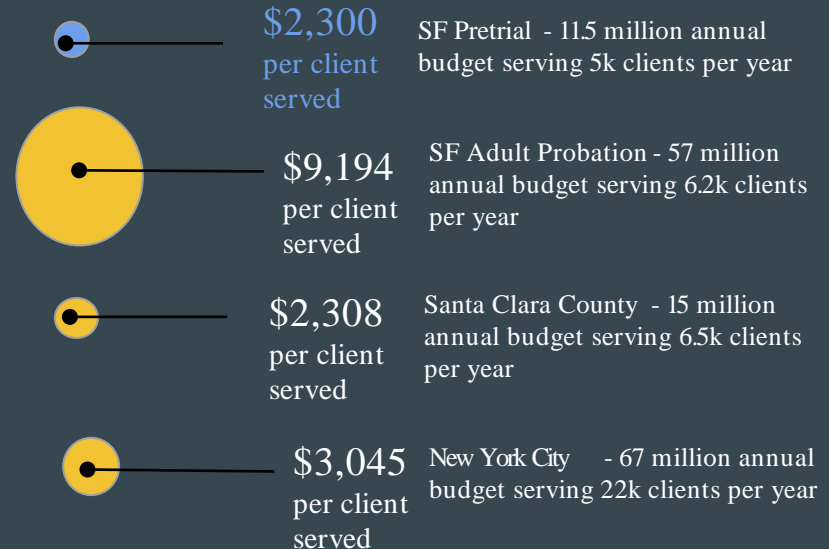


San Francisco Pretrial
July 24, 2024

Cost Effective and Sustainable Practices

- **Financial sustainability** through diverse funding sources
 - a. Grants held through local government, state, federal, and private foundations
 - b. \$8mm funding over 3 years from non-city sources
- **Reduction of jail overpopulation** and associated costs.
- Long-term staff retention and **community-connected staffing** as key to success.

SF Pretrial remains lower cost compared to other agencies operating supervision/reentry programs



Impacts of Pretrial Services

For the majority of the pretrial population, detention increases the likelihood of future arrests, limits job and housing prospects, and reduces access to life-saving behavioral health services, adversely impacting public safety.

If held in pretrial detention, people are subject to increased likelihood of

- **Future arrests** 9.7% more likely to be charged with a new misdemeanor within 18 months
- **Less Employment** 12% less likely to be employed 3 years after their bail hearing
- **Conviction:** 14% more likely to plead guilty and 18% more likely to be convicted

Studies across the U.S. have found no negative public safety impacts connected to reducing pretrial detention.

SF Pretrial Client Counts

June 2024 Avg Daily Count

All Clients: 1,652 ~~(-1%)~~ **(+1%)**

Intensive Needs 903 **(+25%)**

Own Recognizance 628 **(+7%)**

Pretrial Diversion: 121 ~~(-65%)~~

June 2023 Avg Daily Count

All Clients: 1,742 ~~(+6%)~~ **(+6%)**

Intensive Needs 870 **(+20%)**

Own Recognizance 757 **(+29%)**

Pretrial Diversion: 115 ~~(-67%)~~

June 2022 Avg Daily Count

All Clients: 1,650

Intensive Needs 720

Own Recognizance 587

Pretrial Diversion: 343

Percentage change figures based on 2022 counts

Pretrial Outcomes

From Jan 2023 to May 2024, SF Pretrial clients had **10,837** scheduled court dates and attended >19,000, **96%**

79% appearance rate

Measured by SF Pretrial clients who appeared for court dates and were not subject to any bench warrants while in program from July-Dec 2023.

COMPARISONS:

- **69%** Average of CA Pretrial Programs
- **74%** Sonoma County, CA
- **62%** Santa Clara County, CA
- **87%** Washington, DC (federal agency)
- **87%** New York City, NY

Pretrial Outcomes (cont)

93% SF Pretrial Safety Rate

Measured by no new charges for clients while in program ~~Jan~~ Dec 2023

COMPARISONS:

- **66%** Average of CA Pretrial Pilot Programs
- **85%** Sonoma County, CA
- **96%** Santa Clara County, CA
- **92%** Washington, DC
- **91%** Pittsburgh, PA

Questions?

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