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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
EASTERN DIVISION – RIVERSIDE

QUINTON GRAY, et al., on behalf of
themselves and all others similarly
situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE,
Defendant.

Case No. EDCV13-0444 VAP (OP)

CLASS ACTION

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFFS’
EMERGENCY MOTION TO
ENFORCE CONSENT DECREE**

Before this Court is Plaintiffs’ Emergency Motion to Enforce the Consent Decree. This Court, having considered the briefing, relevant legal authority, and the record in this case, GRANTS Plaintiffs’ motion as follows:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

A. Defendant shall develop and implement a plan to minimize the spread of COVID-19 in the Riverside County jails, consistent with the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Court experts. The plan shall include:

1 1. An evaluation of current jail capacity to house people safely
2 consistent with physical distancing to reduce transmission of COVID-19,
3 including:

4 (a) a description of the size of all cells and dormitories noting
5 how many people can be housed safely in each;

6 (b) the distance between beds (including the distance between
7 upper and lower bunks);

8 (c) the size and location of shared toilet and shower facilities and
9 the number of people who use each at one time;

10 (d) the size of each dayroom and the number of people who are
11 permitted to use each one at the same time consistent with physical
12 distancing; and

13 (e) the number and location of all people who are sleeping in
14 plastic “boats” instead of beds, if any, as of April 14, 2020.

15 2. A plan to safely house and care for people incarcerated in the
16 jails who are at high risk for severe complications from COVID-19 based on
17 guidance from the CDC and the Court experts. Defendant shall identify each
18 such person and shall indicate:

19 (a) COVID-19 risk factor(s) as determined by the CDC;

20 (b) age;

21 (c) charges if pre-trial or current criminal conviction and
22 sentence if already sentenced;

23 (d) length of stay in the Riverside jails as of April 14, 2020; and

24 (e) expected release date, if known.

25 3. Adequate hygiene and cleaning measures, including education of
26 the people incarcerated in the jails, consistent with the CDC’s guidelines.

27 4. Measures to address the mental health needs of people held in
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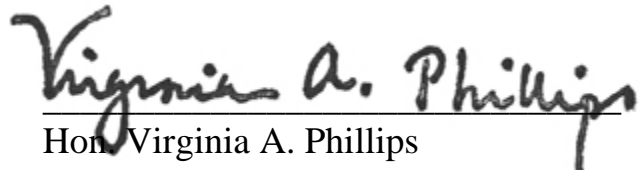
1 quarantine or isolation, as noted by the Court mental health expert.

2 B. The parties shall participate in mediation with Judge Raul Ramirez on
3 Friday, April 17, to resolve any disputes over the adequacy of the plan and the
4 production of underlying data. Defendants shall provide Plaintiffs with a draft of a
5 proposed plan on Thursday April 16.

6 C. The Court shall hold further proceedings on this matter during the week
7 of April 20 or as determined by further order of this Court.

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9 The Court finds that this relief meets the requirements of 18 U.S.C. § 3626.
10 In so doing, the Court finds that the relief is narrowly drawn, extends no further than
11 necessary to ensure the protection of the federal constitutional and statutory rights of
12 Plaintiffs, and is the least intrusive means necessary to accomplish those objectives.

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15 Dated: April 16, 2020


16 Hon. Virginia A. Phillips
17 Chief United States District Court

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22 Approved as to form:
23 Dated: April 14, 2020

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25 /s/
26 James E. Brown
27 Assistant County Counsel

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