

PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

MINUTES

TUESDAY,
FEBRUARY 23, 2016

11:30

JUSTICE BUILDING –
JURY ASSEMBLY ROOM, 2ND FLOOR

MEETING CALLED BY	Beth Heckert
ATTENDEES	Beth Heckert, Cindy Mayo, Dan Penland, Danny Jordan, Doug Breidenthal, Doug Engle, Jodi Merritt, John Stromberg, Julie Evans, Lorenzo Mejia, Mark Orndoff, Mark Reagles, Michelle Morales, Nichole Houchins, Rita Sullivan, Jennifer Lind

- Beth Heckert opened the meeting at 11:38 am
- Opening Remarks: Beth Heckert welcomed everyone to the February PSCC meeting.

Agenda topics

MINUTES

BETH HECKERT

DISCUSSION	
Beth asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes for January. Doug Engle proposed a motion to formally adopt the minutes, the motion was seconded by Danny Jordan and all were in favor. The minutes for January were formally adopted.	

JUSTICE REINVESTMENT GRANT PROGRAM

DISCUSSION	
<p>A presentation surrounding the Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI) Grant Program was provided outlining the purpose and programs the funding will be supporting.</p> <p>Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI) was established through House Bill (HB) 3194 during the 2013 Oregon Legislative Session. The funding was a result of the identified 50% increase in prison population in Oregon from 2000-2010 and the projected continuation of growth that would also increase prison costs. During this time, Oregon's imprisonment rate remained below the national average but increased 3 times faster than the national average.</p> <p>Goals identified through HB 3194 included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recidivism reduction • Decrease County utilization of imprisonments to the Department of Corrections • Protect the Public • Hold offenders accountable <p>During the 2015 Oregon Legislative Session, \$38.7 million was allocated to the Justice Reinvestment Grant Programs (JRGP) provided through the Criminal Justice Commission. The grant programs were to establish a continuum of community-based sanctions, services, and programs designed to assist with offender rehabilitation. Grant applicants were to develop evidence-based capacity and programming to: increase public safety, improve collaboration among stakeholders, and analyze criminal justice data to develop policy/strategies.</p> <p>Of the \$38.7 million allocated to these grant programs, Jackson County was eligible to apply for 5.50% which provided the available allocation of \$2,112,766; a required 10% of funding was specifically to be allocated to Community Based Victim Services which amounted to \$211,276. The following Programs were identified in the JRGP application for Jackson County:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jail Treatment Pod • Transitional Care Program 	

- Day Reporting / Resource Center
- Release Assistance
- Victim Witness Program – District Attorney’s Office
- Community Based Victim Services Programs (Required 10% allocation)
 - Community Works
 - Children’s Advocacy Center

Specific Program Descriptions were identified:

Jail Treatment Pod Program - \$227,600

- Located in the Jackson County Jail
 - Men’s Treatment Pod – Opened June of 2014; 26 bed capacity
 - Women’s Treatment Pod – Opened November 2014; 11 bed capacity
- Program provides the following:
 - Alcohol and Drug Treatment
 - Mental Health – Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) Groups
 - Pre-release planning
- Program Funding Includes:
 - 2.0 FTE Treatment Counselors – OnTrack, Inc.
 - Office Supplies
 - County Chargebacks

Transitional Care Program - \$886,465.42

- Corrections based treatment program
 - Located within the Transition Center – 24 male / 8 female beds
- Program Focus:
 - Alcohol & Drug Treatment
 - Employment Curriculum / job search
 - Case management / financial planning
 - Sustainable Housing
- Program Funding Includes:
 - 1.0 FTE Program Manager – Transition Center
 - 2.0 FTE Correctional Programming Counselors
 - 2.0 FTE Alcohol & Drug Counselors – OnTrack, Inc.
 - Rent & Utilities
 - Office Supplies / Drug Screening / Housing Supplies
 - Facility Equipment Upgrade
 - County Employee Chargebacks
 - Indigent / Discretionary Funds for client incidentals

Day Reporting / Resource Center - \$162,710

- Alternative to incarceration / an additional supervision support for offenders
- Program Focus:
 - Employment resources
 - Monitored job search / application assistance / employment classes
 - Financial / Budgeting assistance
 - Community resource assistance
 - OHP Applications / Housing assistance / local community resources
 - Pre-trial Supervision
- Program Funding Includes:
 - 1.0 FTE Program Specialist
 - Office Supplies
 - County Chargebacks

Release Assistance Office - \$418,622

- Provide release assistance within the Jail
- Program Focus:
 - Reduce jail over-crowding
 - Minimize failure to appear rate at the courts
 - Insure fail and equitable manner for release eligibility
 - Public Safety
 - Determine release supervision conditions (may be monitored through Resource Center)

- Program Funding Includes:
 - 2.0 FTE Program Specialists
 - 1.0 FTE Office Manager (provide data tracking for all JRI Programs)
 - County Chargebacks

Victim Witness Program – District Attorney’s Office \$142,709

- Serves crime victims within Jackson County
- Program Focus:
 - Provide information regarding victim rights
 - Information about Criminal Justice System
 - Assistance applying for Crime Victims Compensation
 - Escort victims to hearings an trials / provide emotional support
 - Assistance obtaining Restitution
- Program Funding Includes:
 - 1.0 Project Specialist
 - Office Supplies / Postage / computer Licensing / etc.
 - Training – State Victim’s Assistance Academy
 - Computer Equipment / Office Furniture
 - County Chargebacks

Community Based Victims Services (required 10%)

- Community Works - \$105,638
 - Lethality Assessment Program (LAP)
 - LAP Team includes representation from: Law Enforcement, advocacy, District Attorney’s office and Corrections
 - Program Focus:
 - Assists with the identification of domestic violence victims at higher risk for being seriously injured or killed
 - Encourages victims to utilize support and shelter services
 - Program Funding Includes:
 - 1.0 FTE Lethality Assessment Advocate
 - Travel
 - Administrative Costs
 - Client Assistance (Incidentals / Emergency Shelter)
- Children’s Advocacy Center - \$105,638
 - Program Focus:
 - Forensic Interviews
 - Therapeutic Interventions
 - Therapy Assessments / Therapy groups / individual and family therapy / crisis intervention
 - Program Funding Includes:
 - 1.0 FTE Advocate / Interviewer
 - Community Advocate Training

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BETH HECKERT

DISCUSSION

- The March 22nd PSCC meeting has been canceled due to Spring Break and vacations. Next meeting will be April 26th.

Next Scheduled PSCC Meeting: April 26, 2016

Meeting Adjourned: 12:50 pm