

PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

MINUTES

TUESDAY,
June 9, 2020

11:30

ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

MEETING CALLED BY	Eric Guyer
ATTENDEES	Joshua Aldrich, Lee Ayers, Dave Carter, Joe Charter, Travis Christian, Eric Guyer, Beth Heckert, Doug Houston, Barbara Johnson, Jennifer Lind, Judge Mejia, Jennifer Mylenek, Mark Orndoff, Rick Rawlins, Mark Reagles, John Stromberg, Rita Sullivan, Danny Jordan, John Watson, Stacey Brubaker, Marie Curren

- Eric Guyer opened the meeting at 11:30
- Opening Remarks: Eric Guyer welcomed everyone to the June PSCC meeting.

Agenda Topics

MINUTE ADOPTION – FEBRUARY

ERIC GUYER, CHAIR

DISCUSSION	
One suggested revision was identified for the February minutes, Lee Ayers provided a motion to adopt, seconded by David Carter. A vote was requested, all were in favor, and none were opposed. The February minutes were officially adopted with one revision.	

IMPACTS GRANT FOR LPSCC

DISCUSSION	
<p><i>Rick Rawlins, Jackson County's District Attorney</i></p> <p>Impacts: IMPROVING PEOPLE'S ACCESS TO COMMUNITY-BASED TREATMENT AND SUPPORTS, AND SERVICES GRANT PROGRAM</p> <p>Joint effort through Oregon Criminal Justice Commission and Oregon Health Authority</p> <p><u>2019 Senate Bill (SB)973</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informed by the analysis of the Steering Committee, the IMPACTS program was enacted in recognition of the shortage of comprehensive community supports and services for individuals with mental health or substance use disorders, leading to their involvement with the criminal justice system, hospitalizations, and institutional placements. • \$10 Million in program funding, with a set aside for federally recognized tribal government of 15% <p><u>Target Population</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One or more Behavioral Health Diagnoses AND 4 or more jail bookings in a year OR • High utilizers of criminal justice resources • Hospital or urgent care resources • Institutional placements <p><u>THREE INITIATIVES for JACKSON COUNTY</u></p> <p>#1: Increase Mobile Crisis Response #2: Increase Jail Diversion Capabilities #3: Addition of 2 beds at the Beckett Center for Aid and Assist Population</p> <p><u>Initiative 1 Increase Mobile Crisis Response</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAMHSA's National Guidelines for Behavioral Health Crisis Care system 3 facets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Someone to talk to: 24/7 Crisis call center. JCMH currently runs this program and additional funds are not needed for this element ○ Someone to respond: Mobile Crisis team. JCMH currently has a limited level of mobile crisis response availability due to limited staffing. Grant funds would be used to increase JCMH Mobile Crisis Response team. ○ A place to go: Crisis Stabilization Center. Still a need for the community, but not within the scope of this grant process. Will continue to discuss as part of PSCC MH Task Force. • Community Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jackson County Community Health Needs Assessment Process ○ Major focus of the jail conversation earlier this year 	

- Proposal: Increase by 12.5 FTE staff to provide 7 days a week mobile team response, including clinicians, peers and case managers

Initiative 2 Increase Jail Diversion Capabilities

- Based off of the Sequential Intercept Mapping exercise completed in Jackson County in 2019 these efforts would focus on:
 - Intercept 2 – Initial detention/hearings
 - Intercept 3 – Jails/Courts
- Allowing more reach in to the jail
- Promoting and implementing BH screenings in the jail
- Efforts with pre-trial population
- Proposal: Increase by 5.5 FTE, including clinician, peers and case managers

Initiative 3: Addition of 2 beds at the Beckett Center for Aid and Assist Population

- Community restoration services
- Decreasing the number of individuals going to the Oregon State Hospital
- Coordination of care and discharge once they are found to be able to aid and assist in their own defense
- Proposal: Fund 2 beds at Beckett Center, and BC staff will provide restoration services

Role of LPSCC- Application must be approved and submitted on behalf of the county by LPSCC

LPSCC Mental Health Task Force

- Originally created in 2012 for the purpose of what IMPACTS now will be focusing on – identify those individuals on “Tim’s List” and work together to minimize the cost to the system
- Will provide the oversight to the grant implementation and will report back to the LPSCC as requested with data and outcomes
- Sustainability – hope is that these dollars are sustained by the legislature and that any systems cost savings would be redirected back to the county to be able to continue the work

Community Supporters Include:

- Addiction Recover Center
- AllCare
- Asante Regional Hospital
- Ashland Police Department
- Central Point Police Department
- City of Medford
- Columbia Care
- Community Justice
- Coquille Tribe
- Continuum of Care
- Cow Creek Tribe
- Jackson Care Connect
- Jackson County Jail
- Jackson County Circuit Court
- Jackson County Community Justice
- Jackson County District Attorney
- Jackson County Sheriff’s Office
- Medford Police Department
- NAMI of Southern Oregon
- Providence Medical Center

APPLICATION DEADLINE: June 12,2020

Contract for July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022

Eric Guyer: I got to be involved with the planning process, in terms of what this was going to look like a couple years ago for the entire state and as it has manifested into the IMPACTS grants. I think the proposal you and the rest of the community put together really hits those essential notes that they were going for. We want to have that kind of contact in the community with some of these high utilizing folks that is supportive and aligned with their behavioral health needs. Two, we want to look at the jail being minimized as far as our response, so being able to divert when folks are brought to jail whenever possible. And three, to decrease the reliance on state hospital beds by utilizing local respite. All three of those are right in line with what this grant is intended for. There are a number of people on this call that have been involved in Tim’s list and people who are high system utilizers over time, and those are three components that we have found to be successful in our community. I have two hopes outside the grant itself. One, the idea that the crisis stabilization center continues to gain momentum and discourse, I think you mentioned that this would happen through the mental health task force I think that is a really important conversation for us to continue. Number two, through the data collection. We can really get a good sense of who we are talking about in our community, what those numbers looks like, and how they’re involved and engaged. I think this really furthers our response.

Questions/Discussion

Jennifer Lind added that this grant and the topics in it directly support the states interest in reducing our aid and assist use and position our county really well in what will be a competitive process. They are well chosen topics that hopefully will land the much-needed dollars.

Beth Heckert asked if the two beds at the Beckett Center for aid and assist are for people who we are currently keeping in the community now, but who need housing. Or are those folks that we are currently sending to the hospital that there would be a level of care that they would get at the Beckett Center that they would not need to go to the hospital.

Doug Houston responded that it is not a person that we know yet so we cannot predict exactly what that would be, he thinks it is a level of care that otherwise might go to the state hospital. It is usually people with a combination of high-level substance use whose symptoms are pretty acute, a foster level of care is not really appropriate. They are either too disorganized or at some slight risk that makes them not a good candidate to remain in the community, and often some of these folks are homeless.

Rick Rawlins added that part of the proposal is to help our numbers in the state. Jackson County has historically been one of the higher numbers, per our percentage, that the state would look at how many we are sending to the state hospital on aid and assist. We are historically one of the higher counties and this would give people an opportunity to stay in the community get their restoration services and not go to the state hospital.

Joe Charter asked if Rick could talk about the last slide regarding community buy-in, what that looked like, how expensive and what the feedback was. Regarding the stabilization center, is this an item for the future because this grant would not provide enough resources, or not enough personnel?

Rick discussed community buy-in, he said we have had a lot of conversation in the last couple weeks with our Community partners. We hosted a zoom meeting where we had about 25 different Community partners that came from law enforcement, Mercy Flights, both of our hospitals, Sherriff, judges, NAMI, CCO's, and we were able to discuss what this proposal would look like and get some feedback that was very positive. The conversation has been very positive from multiple different sectors in the community that this would impact.

Some of the initial conversation we have had about the stabilization center has been in discussing with Addictions Recovery Center (ARC). They are planning to move their detox program to their other campus on Main street and that would be a great starting point in our community. Once we got into the details with them we realized that their timeline to move the detox center is one year and a half to 2 years out. To try to build a facility and have all of the infrastructure we needed would be at least two years out and too big of a leap at this point.

Judge Mejia commented that this grant is a great idea, with what we are hearing in the news lately, this is desperately needed in our community. His vote is in favor of that. Judge Mejia suggested a revision for the February minutes, we have to poll the jury not pull the jury.

IMPACTS GRANT APPROVAL

ERIC GUYER, CHAIR

DISCUSSION	
David Carter provided a motion to support the Impacts grant proposal as it was presented and Beth Heckert seconded. Marie Curren took a roll call vote from all of the voting members and the Impacts grant proposal received unanimous approval.	

ANNOUNCEMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS

ERIC GUYER, CHAIR

DISCUSSION	POTENTIAL BUDGET CUTS
Eric Guyer: The last agenda item is a roundtable about the 2.7-billion-dollar shortfall and that it is certainly going to impact our community. There will probably be decisions made publicly over the next couple of weeks, in terms of what that means and it will cause many of us adjustments. As you know the state does biennial budgeting and we are in the middle of that biennium. If the state says an 8 percent cut that effectively means we experience it as a 16% cut since it will be in felt in the second year of the biennium. The state did exercises as if there were going to be an 8.5% cut, so 17%, and many of us have begun preparing for what that would look like. My hope is that if we were to meet again in July we would have a sense of what that looks like. There is no guarantee that they will not make further cuts even after the year begins, but hopefully we get a sense of what that would look like and we will be able to share some of that in terms of the impact in our community.	

Next Scheduled PSCC Meeting: July 28, 2019

Meeting Adjourned: 12:03 pm