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JOINT MEETING OF THE MARION COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING & REENTRY COUNCILS

January 13, 2015, 4:00 PM
Commissioners’ Board Room
555 Court St. NE, Salem, OR 97301


**MCRC:** Commissioner Kevin Cameron, Nancy Green, Tim Murphy, Commander Jeff Wood

GUESTS: Alison Kelley, Jolene Kelley, Brendan Murphy, Brigid Zani

* Marion County Public Safety Coordinating Council (MCPSCC) members
** Marion County Reentry Council (MCRC) members

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

Commissioner Carlson called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Announcements:
- Mark your calendars for the February 18 meeting with legislators at the state capitol;
- Bylaws need to be updated and will be sent to council members for suggested revisions;
- Membership matrix shows the council has vacancies to be filled;
- Winter-Spring 2015 Matrix has been revised by the steering committee and distributed to council; and
- The Marion County Public Safety Coordinating Council filed its 2014 annual report with the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission, (CJC).

MOTION: Bob Royer made a motion to ratify the MCPSCC 2014 Annual Report sent to the CJC. Seconded by Tim Murphy; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

MOTION: Faye Fagel moved approval of the December 9, 2014 MCPSCC meeting minutes. Seconded by Mark Caillier; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

Legislative Updates:
- Legislative session starts on February 2;
- Grand jury process has surfaced as a bill;
- “Use of Force” will also be discussed by legislature; and
- Commissioner Carlson and Marion County Juvenile Department Director Faye Fagel met with Representative Jodi Hack who is sponsoring House Bill 2031.

HB 3194 IMPLEMENTATION (HANDOUT ATTACHED)

Summary of presentation:
- Between 2002 and 2008 adult offenders in the Marion County community corrections program had high rates of recidivism;
In 2005, state began to utilize “evidence-based” decision making to improve community corrections outcomes:
  - Counties using “Risk-Need-Responsivity” concept to lower recidivism.

By utilizing evidence-based community corrections treatment programs in Marion County:
  - Probation recidivism declined from 30% in 2004 to 18% in 2014; and
  - Post-prison recidivism declined from 37% in 2012 to 14% in 2014.

County community corrections “baseline funding” based on caseloads and legislatively approved budget;

State 2015-17 biennial budget for community corrections is approximately $244 M;

Marion County’s share of this is projected at 9.25% for 2015-17; and

Ironically, by reducing recidivism, Marion County’s community corrections baseline funds are also shrinking.

Council discussion:
  - The MCPSCC’s preeminent statutory responsibility is the creation of a community corrections plan:
    - At next meeting, council will hear of community corrections programs being funded by “soft” funds.
  - Beneficial for the Marion County Circuit Court judges to hear this presentation;
  - House Bill (HB) 3194 (2013) funding will alleviate gaps for counties losing baseline funding as a result of successfully lowering their recidivism rates; and
  - Council will discuss community corrections funding priorities in terms of the HB 3194 grant funds.

**DISPROPORTIONATE MINORITY CONTACT IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM (HANDOUT ATTACHED)**

Summary of presentation:
Brigid Zani, management analyst, Marion County Juvenile Department presented this item:
  - State required to track disproportionate minority contact in the juvenile justice system or won’t receive federal funds;
  - A 2013 analysis of disproportionate minority contact in the Marion County juvenile justice system showed:
    - African American youth twice as likely to be referred to juvenile court and less likely to be diverted than white juveniles.
    - Hispanics youth also have significantly higher referral and secure detention cases than whites;
  - Youth of color:
    - More likely to live in poverty;
    - Less likely to have health insurance;
    - Overrepresented in the child welfare system; and
    - More likely to be placed in out-of-home care.

Council discussion:
  - Juvenile Department looking at how to change these trends of high minority representation in the local juvenile justice system:
    - Wants to convene community partners to begin discussing remedies;
    - A staff-secure, culturally appropriate community placement needed for Latino youth; and
    - Youth Villages Intercept pilot program could provide customized in-home services for minority populations.

Very hard to tell if race influences arrests and referrals because these happen outside of the juvenile department purview.

**EMERGING ISSUES/OTHER BUSINESS**
  - “Striking Out Meth” program name has changed to “Striking Out Substance Abuse”.
    - Annual Striking Out Substance Abuse event scheduled for July 31 at Volcanoes Stadium.

Meeting Adjourned At 6:00 PM