

MARION COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL
MINUTES

April 10, 2018 4:00 PM
Commissioners' Board Room
555 Court St. NE, Salem, OR

- MCPSCC:** Walt Beglau, Kevin Cameron, Janet Carlson, Kim Doster, Jayne Downing, Don Frederickson, Tamra Goettsch, Roland Herrera, Levi Herrera-Lopez, Jessica Kampfe, Pete McCallum, Todd McCann, Ed McKenney, Cary Moller, Mike Runyon, Cari Sessums, Kim Wallis, Jeff Wood (for Jason Myers), and Allycia Weathers (recorder).
- GUESTS:** Jan Calvin, Robert Carney, Andrew Galen, Julie Huckestein, Alison Kelley, Kim Larson, Raul Marquez Guerrero, Ashley Marshall, Tim Murphy, Tricia Ratliff, Ali Treichel, and Jo Zimmer.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE (INFORMATION/ACTION)

Meeting called to order at 4:02 P.M. by Commissioner Janet Carlson.

Welcome and Introductions

Council members made introductions around the table.

Approve March 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes

Amendment: The second bullet states "OYA has a policy that if someone is gang designated, they must go through a separate incarceration process". It should state that *OYA has a process in working with gang youth. They are not incarcerated separately or on a separate track.* This change has been confirmed this with OYA's presenter, Christina Puentes.

MOTION: Ed McKenney moved approval of the March 13, 2018 MCPSCC meeting minutes, as amended. Seconded by Jayne Downing. Motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

- Introducing new council member Cari Sessums:
 - Cari also serves on Marion County Sheriff's Office Advisory Committee and Stayton Police Department Advisory Board. She is representing the Local Alcohol & Drug Planning Committee.
- Oregon Second Chance Tour Kicked Off April 10, 2018:
 - More than 200 people in attendance; and
 - Biggest summit Dave's Killer Bread Foundation has been involved in across the nation.
 - Local employers in attendance:
 - Employers sharing obstacles to employing the reentry population.
 - Conducted a simulation of the barriers to employment for people involved in the criminal justice system.
 - Kicking off tour across Oregon:
 - Working to keep each event to about two hours.
 - Dave's Killer Bread Foundation taking donations:
 - Raised \$40,000 so far.

- Attorney General toured Center for Hope and Safety:
 - Announced the Crime Victim Services Division is now the Crime Victim Services and Survivors Division (CVSSD);
 - Good share the work being done in the community; and
 - First tour of the newer location.
- Safe routes to school initiative:
 - 2017 legislature passed a bill to ensure funding is available to ensure children have safe routes to school:
 - Working on public infrastructure issues.
 - Talking points hand out available at [\(attached\)](#).
- Perception of Danger Workshop held recently in Woodburn:
 - Approximately 140 people in attendance;
 - Workshop included information about natural disasters, violent incidents, and other dangers in the community;
 - Presentation from first responders for public about interacting with first responders;
 - President of a security company spoke at the event:
 - Safety in public spaces;
 - Dangerous situations such as violent shooters, or other violent encounters; and
 - Techniques for self-protection.
 - Likely to be an annual event going forward.

2. Criminal Justice Commission Quarterly Prison Intake Update

Commander Jeff Wood presented this item. Summary of presentation:

- Presentation charts available on the Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) [website](#).
- Summarized prison month usage:
 - Significant drop over the last year; and
 - Marion County's prison month usage is trending about the same as the state:
 - Prison usage is below the state average for prison diversion and reentry programs; and
 - Lower women's prison bed usage credited to Family Sentencing Alternative Program and Women's Accelerated Reentry Program.
- Comparison to baseline:
 - Reduced prison utilization in Marion County;
 - Marion County is leading the state in the reduction in prison usage since 2014; and
 - Diversion and treatment programs are successfully reducing prison usage.
- Marion County's collaborative model drives the improvement in metrics.

3. Mid-Willamette Homeless Initiative; Runaway & Homeless Youth

Commissioner Janet Carlson; Tricia Ratliff and Angel Stevens, Community Action Agency; Jo Zimmer, Rural Oregon Continuum of Care; Raul Marquez, McKay High School; presented this item. Summary of presentation:

Background

- Discussion of homelessness with the Public Safety Coordinating Council was initiated with a presentation at the December 2015 council meeting:
 - Local high school students provided a presentation and some recommendations to address homelessness;
 - Community Action Agency provided information about Housing First;

- Interest at that time to establish a task force.
- Mid-Willamette Homeless Initiative (MWHI) Task force met from February 2016 through February 2017:
 - Four jurisdictions participated in the task force:
 - Marion County;
 - Polk County;
 - City of Salem; and
 - City of Keizer.
 - Task force included representation from criminal justice, local government, school district, local business, and community providers;
 - Eight subcommittees developed; and
 - Developed a strategic plan:
 - Plan was presented to council previously;
 - Important to ensure strategic plan moved forward;
 - Brought in a facilitator.
 - Facilitator recommended creating a steering committee and hiring a coordinator:
 - Coordinator to work with all the jurisdictions to implement the plan; and
 - Need for staff person.
 - Mid Valley Council of Governments is an organization which all local government jurisdictions in Marion, Polk, and Yamhill counties belong to:
 - Ability to act as a neutral body;
 - Agreed to having coordinator in their organization; and
 - Five jurisdictions (Marion County and cities of Independence, Keizer, Monmouth, and Salem) allocated funds to hire a coordinator;
 - Ali Treichel was selected as staff coordinator:
 - Recently graduated with Masters in Public Health;
 - Thesis in community health promotion and educations, especially with vulnerable populations;
 - Working with steering committee to develop one-year work plan to focus and direct work;
 - Major priority to do a complete overview and mapping of the current systems which impact the homeless population;
 - Need to identify gaps and develop recommendations.

Runaway and Homeless Youth Shelter

- Need for a Runaway and Homeless Youth Shelter was the top priority out of the MWHI public safety steering committee;
- Need to identify a location for shelter:
 - Initial property identified became unavailable.
- Awarded U.S. Housing & Urban Development (HUD) technical assistance grant to enter into 100-Day Challenge:
 - Also applied for the HUD 2016 Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP) Grant which was not awarded;
 - Currently writing the 2017 YHDP Grant:
 - PSCC has provided a letter of support.
 - 100-Day Challenge is a “Plan B” for jurisdictions not awarded the YHDP grant:
 - Opportunity for group of stakeholders in a local community, under a 100 day time limit develops goal:

- Goal for Marion County’s 100-Day Challenge team was to build a coordinated system for 150 unaccompanied youth in crisis, ages 12-18 years old:
 - Provide a safe and stable place to be;
 - Empower youth;
 - Connect to a variety of services and resources to support immediate and long term needs.
- Four communities from across the nation were included in the HUD 100-Day Challenge cohort which just completed:
 - Marion County’s group is the only jurisdiction which focused on youth population under age 18;
 - Working to build some best practices.
- Sub-goals:
 - Assess youth needs;
 - Create a youth action board;
 - Create a list of unaccompanied youth;
 - Safely place a total of 150 youth;
 - Strengthen and improve current outreach program:
 - Aim to encounter at least ten new youth each week.
- Goals achieved:
 - Completed assessment;
 - Youth action board convened:
 - Will become part of the continuum of care work group going forward.
 - List of unaccompanied youth is a work in progress:
 - Currently 134 names;
 - Partnership with service providers;
 - Aligns with continuum of care;
 - Continuing to integrate.
 - Able to place 93 youth:
 - Ten in shelter;
 - 72 reunified with families; and
 - 11 in creative placements.
 - Well-built outreach with developed process:
 - Hosted community event.
 - Created an immediate needs mobile-system:
 - Key coded space in housing authority to allow first responders to access basic needs items for youth on the street.
- Continuum of Care (CoC):
 - HUD created continuums of care across the nation to fund multiple communities within a jurisdiction:
 - Oregon has seven CoCs:
 - Conduct community planning;
 - Expectation for community partnerships and shared applications for funding; and
 - Funding and community engagement mechanism.
 - Marion County is part of the Rural Oregon Continuum of Care, which is a “balance of state” CoC that includes 28 of Oregon’s 36 counties:

- No coordinated, collaborative effort in place previously; and
 - Doing great work considering system was not established.
 - Have reached the 100 day mark; and
 - Leveraging information for application in 2017 Youth Demonstration Program Grant.
- Team Members and Sponsors list attached:
 - Is a community effort; and
 - Demonstrates a cross-section of agencies.

Raul Marquez Guerrero Serves on the United Way board of directors with Commissioner Kevin Cameron:

- Initiated youth leadership group:
 - Worked with student government program;
 - Selected youth homelessness issue;
 - Goal to establish overnight homeless shelter for youth in the City of Salem;
 - Worked with Community Action Agency to identify a home;
 - Goal to raise \$400,000 to open shelter;
 - Partnered with Community Action Agency to present case study to United Way:
 - Awarded \$110,000 toward purchasing a property.
 - Interned with state legislature during short session:
 - Requested funds from State of Oregon; and
 - Gained bipartisan support and received funding.
 - Reached funding goal of \$400,000 on the last day of the 100-Day Challenge.
- Shelter will open this fall and will be named Taylor's House:
 - Will invite council to the ribbon cutting.
- Question regarding overlap between youth homeless and those in foster care:
 - Almost half of the homeless are from foster care; and
 - Starting a non-behavioral rehabilitative service for foster youth.
- Question regarding definition of homeless for blended families in one residence:
 - Multiple families in one home without sufficient beds or space and defined as homeless.
- Question how can community members can help:
 - Funding is a great need;
 - Community outreach and advocacy:
 - Educate people in the community; and
 - Small population of homeless youth is on the streets.
 - Need for supports in the community including rural areas.
- *What's Next Workshop* coming up in May:
 - Update on current progress;
 - Discussion on host-home project:
 - Marion, Polk, Linn, and Benton Counties participating.
 - Working to expand beyond Salem-Keizer core.

4. Alliance for Hope: Semi-Annual Update

Jayne Downing, Center for Hope and Safety; Alison Kelley, Liberty House; Kim Larson District Attorney's Office, Victim Assistance Division; presented this item. Summary of presentation:

- Restraining orders improvements:

- Working to cover gaps identified from Alliance for Hope report;
- Justice Reinvestment Act funded an advocate through Center for Hope and Safety:
 - Council allocated these funds to make that possible;
 - Cross training with district attorney's office; and
 - Served 315 unduplicated victims in the last six months.
- Positive culture shift in court:
 - Expectation advocates will be part of the process and participating in hearings;
 - Judges soliciting feedback from advocates in court; and
 - Provide resource to victims and survivors.
- Protocol training through domestic violence council:
 - Supporting better victim interviewing which is trauma informed.
- Connections between Liberty House, law enforcement and child protective services:
 - Liberty House News Magazine, Page 18 attached;
 - Now seeing children the same day;
 - Adding mental health services; and
 - Ensuring response is trauma-informed.
- October is domestic violence awareness month:
 - Developing a plan for "Hands and Words are not for Hurting" pledge.

5. Stepping Up: Behavioral Health System Map

District Attorney Walt Beglau and Marion County Health and Human Services Director Cary Moller presented this item. Summary of [presentation](#):

- Stepping Up Initiative work group met two weeks ago;
 - National initiative designed to provide local supports and restoration for criminal justice involved mental health consumers;
 - Executive Committee established;
 - Working toward keeping mental health consumers out of the criminal justice system, and provide community supports which are appropriate to their needs; and
 - History of collaboration between Sheriff's Office and District Attorney's Office to address individual issues with mental health consumers in the jail.
- Stepping Up Initiative baseline questions:
 - Guidance for executive committee; and
 - National Association of Counties provided white papers and has an assigned staff person:
 - Webinars and technical assistance calls are ongoing.
- Brought stakeholders together to conduct process mapping ([attached](#)):
 - Where does the criminal justice system come into contact with mental health consumers;
 - Helps to identify services and gaps; and
 - Brought in Lean leaders from Oregon Health Authority to facilitate mapping.
- Marion County adopted a proclamation that launched the Stepping Up Initiative;
- Marion County Health and Human Services Resources ([attached](#));
- Connected Initiatives:
 - Opioids:
 - Impact on the community.
 - Pretrial:
 - Work group formed.
 - Aid and Assist (370):
 - Working towards community restoration when appropriate;

- Deputy District Attorney assigned to this population;
 - Ensuring appropriate use of Oregon State Hospital.
 - Sobering Center:
 - City working with partners to get up and running; and
 - Funding established.
 - Civil Commitment:
 - Subgroup working to map out civil commitment.
 - Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion:
 - Kicked off and has first participant.
- May is Mental Health Month:
 - Will reread the proclamation at May 16 board session; and
 - National Association of Counties is having Stepping Up day on May 16.
- Stepping Up Executive Committee is meeting quarterly;

Jail is not an appropriate place for people with mental illness:

- Can even make the person worse.
- Crisis Intervention Training kicked off Monday:
 - Forty hours of training;
 - Hundreds of attendees in our community; and
 - Provides for a better response to mental health issues by first responders.

ADJOURNED 5:50 PM