Peer Support/Navigation Pretrial Services



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Introduction

- Domingo P. Corona, Director, Pretrial Services Division
 - 1998 Pretrial Services
 - 2007 Manager/Assistant Director
 - 2014 Appointed Director
 - Other experience: NAPSA Board Member, NIC Pretrial Executives Network, MacArthur Foundation Risk Management Workgroup, APPR team, NRI Mental Health/Criminal Justice Research Center Advisory Council

Pretrial Services in Pima County



- 1972 Program Start Date
- 1979 Supervision and Delegated Release
- 1997 Risk Assessment (local)
- 2014-2016 PSA Implementation and SJC

Pretrial Services in Pima County



- Pre-Booking Release
 - 24/7 Jail location
- Initial Appearance Bail Reports
 - Assessment Office: 24/7 Jail Office
 - PSA Court Tool
- Supervision Unit
- Diversion (STEPs)
- Data/Research and Administration

Substance Use/Behavioral Health Programming



- Post-booking Screening
 - AC-OK Readiness for Referral
- Enhanced Supervision
- STEPs Diversion (Pre-charge, 7-10 day from Initial Appearance)

Peer Support

- Misdemeanor Population
 - Hope Inc.
 - Co-location in PTS Jail Office
- Enhanced Supervision
 - UMATTER (Opioid)
 - Partnership with Tucson Police
 Department Field & In Office Peers
- STEPs Diversion where peer support exists
 - County Attorney/Court
 - BJA Grant Housing Assistance
 - Old Pueblo Community Services (Colocated & at housing
 - In the Courthouse, pre-clinical Assessment (agreements with providers)
 - Low-needs drug education (County Health)



Getting it Started

- Treating drug use/cases and behavioral health differently
- Exploring other programs
 Partnerships
 - County Attorney
 - County Government
 - Behavioral Health
 - Law Enforcement
 - Community Service Providers
- COVID's impact



Pretrial Services' Role

- Screening, Pre-Initial Appearance
- Case Processing
- Outreach and appearance
 - Peer support works with Pretrial Officers
- Supervision
 - Primarily helping hand off and maintain contact with providers



Core Philosophy

- Measures for Success
 - Appearance and avoiding arrest (pretrial justice appropriate)
- Peer support is not "extra workforce", they fit a specific role
- Substance use and behavioral health treatment is NOT directly in court conditions of release
- Commit to evidence-based practice (data & analysis)



Any questions?

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