



DANE COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL

Criminal Justice Initiatives Overview

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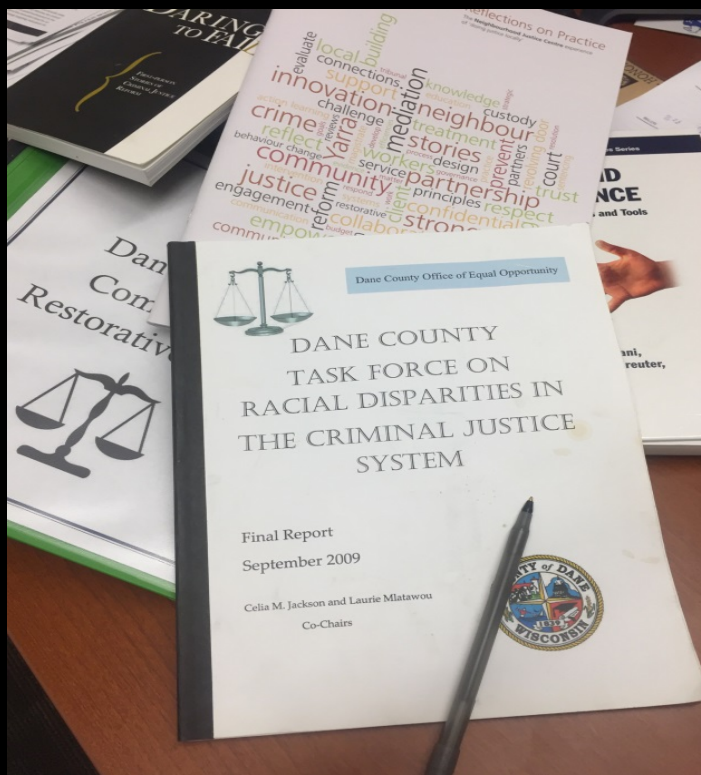
County Board of Supervisors

PAST REPORTS: FOUNDATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS MOVING DANE COUNTY FORWARD

Past Reports

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Basis for current work



- 2009 Task Force on Racial Disparities in the Criminal Justice System
- 2015 Investigating Solutions to Racial Disparities and Mental Health Challenges in the Dane County Jail and throughout Dane County's Criminal Justice System
- 2018 Sequential Intercept Model Mapping Report

2017 WINS

- 2017—A year of Innovation, Expansion and Collaboration
 - MacArthur Safety and Justice Challenge
 - Criminal Justice Council website developed
 - Data Sharing MOU
 - Pretrial Services Initiative
 - Data Driven Justice –Applied Data Analytics
 - National League of Cities, Cities Reducing Jail Population
 - Community Conversation –Implicit Bias in Criminal Justice
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MACARTHUR SAFETY AND JUSTICE CHALLENGE

- Rethinking America's Jails (#ReThinkJails)
 - The Safety and Justice Challenge is providing support to local leaders from across the country who are determined to tackle one of the greatest drivers of over-incarceration in America—the misuse and overuse of jails
 - <http://www.safetyandjusticechallenge.org/>



SAFETY+JUSTICE
MATTERS

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Dane County Department of Human Services

INNOVATION

The Community Restorative Court (CRC) will utilize restorative justice principles to divert young adults (17-25), who have committed a low-level offense, from the traditional criminal justice system.



County Population: 509,939

Jail Capacity: 1,013

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Expanded the CRC and trained 41 new peacemakers.
- 94% successfully completed their repair harm agreement.
- Held Community Service Project fundraising event for restitution fund.
- Conducted community engagement activities to build knowledge on restorative justice efforts and the CRC.
- With Code for America, implemented a text messaging reminder system.
- Conducted Innovation Competition for Tech - Heroes and selected TimeBank to produce informational videos on restorative justice and the CRC.

NEWS: Sun Prairie and Middleton on board and up and running!

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COUNCIL WEBSITE

- General Info
- Meetings
- Initiatives
- Dashboards
- In the News



- *More to come as data and initiatives increase in breadth and depth*

<https://cjc.countyofdane.com/>

Pretrial Services Reform Efforts

The Public Safety Assessment (PSA)

Following a person's arrest, a judge must decide whether that person should:

be released
to await trial.



be detained
in jail to
await trial.



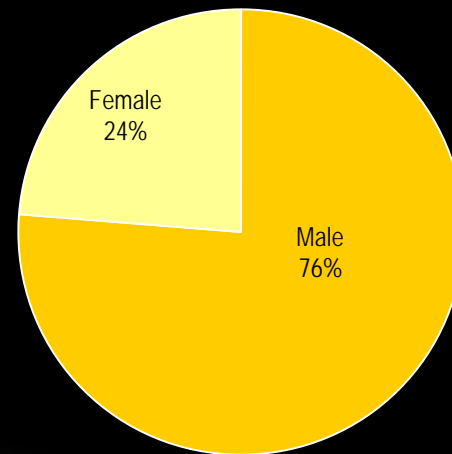
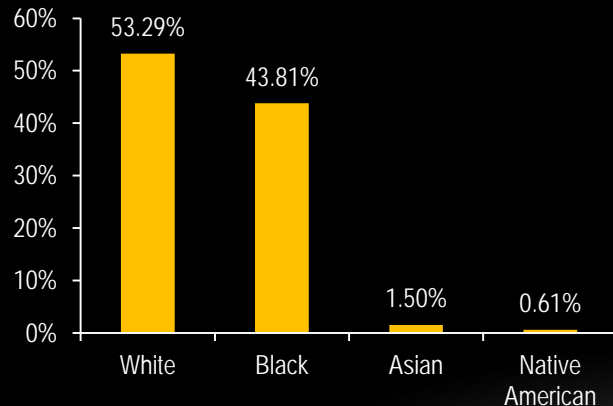
A judge considers many factors in making this decision. One tool that judges may use to help make this decision is the PSA.



Assessment Completed While **In Custody** Only

RICH DATA THUS FAR USING THE PSA

- Data set: May 2017-March 2018: Residents in jail custody
- The average age at arrest is approx 34 years old. The majority of defendants (2,935) are non-Hispanic or Latino (~94%), 184 (5.87%) defendants have Hispanic or Latino ethnicity.



Data Driven Justice (DDJ)

Counties are developing strategies to address two key populations that drive jail populations:

- "Frequent utilizers"
- People held in jail before trial because they cannot afford to bond out, not because they are a risk to the community or a risk of flight.



**Data-Driven Justice:
Disrupting the Cycle of
Incarceration**



The Dane County Criminal Justice Council

Strategic Development

Over 40 professionals from Dane County worked together to develop a comprehensive strategy to divert people with mental illness from the criminal justice system. Partnering with national experts, Policy Research Incorporated (PRI), Dane County mapped current resources to help identify additional opportunities for community-based solutions for criminal justice-involved people with mental illness. Using the "Sequential Intercept Model" (S.I.M.), Dane County will identify points of contact to intervene, provide resources, and prevent individuals from entering or moving deeper into the criminal justice system. Strategic plans will be developed in the next six months.

To view the overview video, [click here](#).

UPDATE: An additional video further explaining the training has been made available. To view, [click here](#).

Justice. Equity. Safety.

Focused on maximizing justice, equity, and the safety of the public, the Criminal Justice Council of Dane County is committed to progress and innovation in all aspects of the criminal justice realm. Composed of major criminal justice leaders and stakeholders, the CJC strives to make equitable and evidence-based improvements for the county through initiatives such as the Data-Driven Justice Initiative, utilizing the Public Safety Assessment when assessing defendants, and expanding the Community Restorative Court through support from the MacArthur Foundation. The Council encourages community involvement through monthly public meetings where members of the community are invited to make public comment.



MEASURING WHAT MATTERS

Building a better future for Dane County

OUR VALUES:

- Justice
- Equity
 - Race
 - Gender
 - Ethnicity
- Safety

WHAT WE ARE MEASURING NOW:

Arrests Booking
Pre Trial Disposition

WHAT WE HOPE TO MEASURE IN THE FUTURE:

Longitudinal Studies Predictive Analytics
Familiar Faces Detailed Trends
Violent Crime Other?

QUESTIONS?



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