Dane County Equal Opportunity Commission 2014 Strategic Initiatives-Final 2014

Vision: To ensure that all Dane County residents have equal access to the opportunity to achieve optimal quality of life and self determination."

Mission: To gather information; analyze data; respond to the needs of targeted groups; to represent community concerns and reflect those concerns; to educate, engage and evaluate; and to create advocacy models that are transferable and can empower communities.

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES	WORK ACTIVITIES	TIMELINES	PROGRESS/RESULTS
I. Address issues of disparity of persons of color in the criminal justice system.	Review recommendations from the Dane County Immigration Task Force. Advise and approve the recommendations. Request formal referral to EOC from county board chair and to respond to recommendations.	Ongoing	Provide monthly minutes of CJC meetings regarding progress on implementation of recommendations.
	Develop commission education via expert presentations from equal opportunity related researchers and practitioners.	Ongoing	4/30/14 Presentation by the MDCPH regarding the Equity Initiative.
	Develop commission knowledge by pursuing reports and monitoring recommendations of the Disproportionate Minority Contact Juvenile Justice Taskforce activities.	Ongoing	No progress in 2014.
	Review Implementation Team [IT] progress on disparities in the criminal justice system. Provide feedback on IT progress and activities . Review implementation team recommendations and request county board chair refer to EOC for input.	Ongoing	Providing monthly up dates of CJC Meeting. No IT activities or recommendations to report.

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II. The commission shall identify	The commission will analyze the OEO budget and resources and	Annually during the	Budget discussion and letter from EOC
and recommend resources needed	make recommendations to the Executive regarding proposed	budget cycle.	to the County Board regarding
for EO program and become	improvements to the County Equal Opportunity program.		budgeting resources to the OEO.
more involved in the Office of	This review and recommendations should be made early in the		
Equal Opportunity (OEO) budget	budget process cycle [prior to the Executive budget		
process by developing a strategy	recommendations]. The commission may make budget		
to better advocate and support	recommendations to the Co. Executive prior to the publication		
maintaining an adequate OEO.	of the Executive Budget and to the county board prior to final		
	budget approval.		
	The commission shall stay informed and may respond		No proposed changes for review
	accordingly to any OEO review process and related proposals	Ongoing	regarding the OEO.
	that would potentially impact the capacity and effectiveness of	Oligoling	regurang the 323.
	the OEO functions and the county equal opportunity program.		
	the 626 functions and the county equal opportunity programs		
	The commission shall strive to establish effective commission	Ongoing	EOC letter to County Board regarding
	communication protocol with the County Executive Office,		EOC staffing.
	County Board, and county staff and among commission		
	members.		
III. Provide better monitoring of	Keep track of equal opportunity related issues by having staff	Ongoing	EOC was invited to attend the joint CEWD
County equal opportunity related	& Co. Board Supervisors provide information and updates to		& Poverty Commission meeting held on
issues and review and respond to	commission related to such issues before Public Protection &		July 9, 2014.
budget initiatives as it relates to I.	Judiciary, Health & Human Needs Committees and Personnel		Staff will work with commission in
And IV.	& Finance; Share POS agency budget recommendations;		attaching relevant EO related reports,
	provide updates regarding relevant county board resolutions		minutes and budget items attachments to
	and activities via the OEO director's monthly report.		EOC agenda.
IV. Address issues of appropriate	Request summary of complaints by inmates related to denial	Ongoing	EOC has requested a report from PP&J.
treatment (medical, mental health,	of medical or mental health services or requests for		
disability related and AODA) for	accommodations due to disabilities. Invite representative from		
clients in Dane County jail	the DCSO, county contractor who is responsible for providing		
facilities.	services. Work in conjunction with PP & J to secure		
	information.		

IV. Address issues of appropriate treatment (medical, mental health, disability related and AODA) for clients in Dane County jail facilities.	The OEO should conduct a service delivery compliance review, if necessary and report findings to EOC. Determine what the county jail's plans are for treating people with health issues and concerns. Request a joint meeting with PP&J to determine the procedures used in complaint resolution and inmate complaints and any reporting that is routinely provided.	Ongoing	Pending.
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V. Continue mission driven activities as appropriate to	Commission should annually implement convening EOC meetings in county local municipalities outside of the City of Madison.	Quarterly	EOC held Community meeting in the Allied Drive Area.
represent community concerns and create advocacy models that are empowering and transferable.	Commission should continue to support OEO outreach activities i.e. diversity recruitment efforts, public hearings, publishing press releases.	Ongoing.	No activities to report due to staffing.
	Encourage diversity on Dane County boards, commissions and committees. Continue efforts to encourage more citizen involvement in county government.i.e.during Public Service Month allow citizens to share their issues and concerns.	Ongoing.	Continue to promotes citizens involvement at community meetings. i.e. NAACP, YGB, Dane CO. Democratic Party Meeting.
	Learn more about what is happening in Dane County communities by hosting public meetings in various locations.	Ongoing	Plan to continue community meetings in 2015.
	Inform the County Executive and the County Board Supervisors of Dane County EOC accomplishments annually.	Annually.	Via Executive briefings and EOC Report.
	Establish effective commission communication protocol with County Executive Office, County Board and among commission members.	Ongoing.	Reports from EOC county board members.