

# Lucas County, OH Peer Learning Site Visit

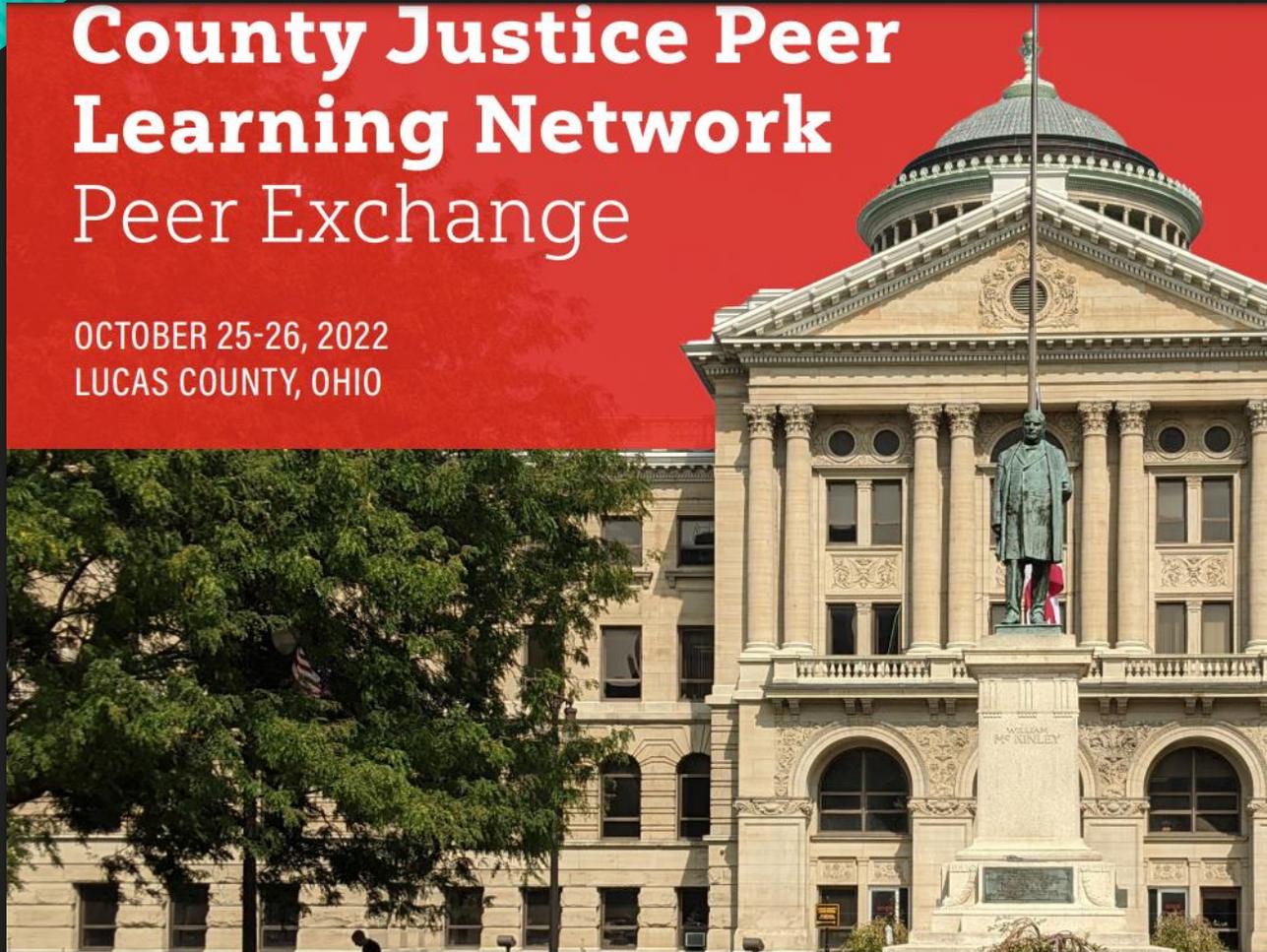
Esqueda and Clark-Bernhardt debrief to the Dane County Criminal Justice Council

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## County Justice Peer Learning Network Peer Exchange

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# Content delivery

- Lucas County CJCC and Northwest Ohio Regional Information System (NORIS) Overview
- Leveraging data and dashboards
- Site visit: Zepff Center for Behavioral Health
- A local non-profit, operating as a Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic, that provides behavioral health and vocational services to youth and adults with severe and persistent mental illness in Lucas County. Services include child and adolescent psychiatric, medical, residential and therapy services, as well as career development and recovery housing. The Center offers crisis stabilization services and accepts walk-ins and law enforcement drop-offs

# Content continued

- Felony FACT Team

- At its core, the Felony Forensic Assertive Community Treatment (FACT) team (FFT) is an alternative to incarceration at the sentencing phase of a felony level case for people who live with serious and persistent mental illness and whose crimes are driven by that untreated illness. By emphasizing a problem-solving model and connecting participants to a team of professionals who provide intensive supervision and comprehensive, wrap-around services, the goals of the FFT are to support participants successful re-entry into society; increase public safety, both long-term and short-term; reduce recidivism; improve participant's quality of life; and increase compliance

# More Alternatives for those with beh health and AODA needs

- Opportunity Project

- The Opportunity Project targets pretrial felony defendants who are prearraignment or have been arraigned but have not returned to court for disposition for treatment engagement. A social worker is paired with a public defender to identify the services individuals need and develop a plan for engaging them in those services. The public defender can then present the plan to the judge. For this discussion, attendees will have an opportunity to learn about the development, implementation, challenges and strategies of this program.

# Tour the Lucas County Jail

- Pretrial Only
- Dilapidated
- No windows
- Scheduled for new building
- The jail facility was built in the late 70s. Little ventilation, poor site lines, and overcrowding



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Questions

