

Dane County Community Justice Center Needs Assessment Project Update — 22 June 2021

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COMPLETED TASKS

Project Kickoff & Bulk of Stakeholder Interviews

- MAY 5th

CONTRACT EXECUTED WITH CENTER
FOR COURT INNOVATION (CCI)

- MAY 11th

PROJECT KICKOFF MEETING

- JUNE /EARLY JULY

STAKEHOLDER INTERVIEWS

COMPLETED TASKS

Stakeholder Interviews

- **27** interviews completed as of 6/22/21
- **5 +** interviews scheduled to be conducted after 6/22/21
 - Representatives from the judiciary, human services, law enforcement, District Attorney, Public Defender, and others who would be involved in co-creation and participate in the operation of a Community Justice Center to gather detailed information about each stakeholder's role in the justice system; the services they offer; experience working in or with the justice system; data they collect; and programs and structures that could be incorporated into the Community Justice Center
 - Representatives from the 7 community organizations from the pre-engagement process:
 - Centro Hispano of Dane County
 - Charles Hamilton Houston Institute
 - Families Back to the Table
 - JustDane
 - Nehemiah Center for Urban Leadership
 - The Hmong Institute
 - Urban Triage

IN PROCESS

Data Review and Analysis

- **MAY – PRESENT**

QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE DATA ANALYSIS TO INFORM THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT

- Reviewing aggregate adult criminal justice data for the years 2015 through 2020
- Youth justice data and trend data will be shared as available
- Qualitative data /reports obtained from the initial pre-engagement events with the 7 community groups
- Data sources: Dane County CJC Research and Innovation Team and other relevant data providers, such as youth justice stakeholders of Dane County and other sources identified during the needs assessment, as available.
- Additional data provided by CJ stakeholders after interviews

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- The vendor will use this data to answer the following questions, among others:
 - What are the ongoing needs in the Dane County criminal justice system, as demonstrated by the aggregate data, that could be better met by restorative justice practices and policies?
 - How would the establishment of a Community Justice Center (with or without a community court incorporated into the center) help Dane County to better meet the needs demonstrated by the data and qualitative findings?
 - What should be the key attributes of a Dane County Community Justice Center?
 - What is the array of services that should be provided?
 - Should a community court be included? Advantages and disadvantages? What are the impacts on racial equity, procedural fairness, and public safety outcomes?
 - What are the costs and what are potential outside sources of funding?
 - What are the facility and space needs?

IN PROCESS

Best Practices and Models Research

- **MAY → PRESENT** **BEST PRACTICES/MODELS COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**
 - CCI will conduct a comprehensive inventory and analysis of a broad list of relevant community justice center models and their distinguishing features to include in final report recommendations
 - Consider local resources, needs, and priorities revealed throughout the needs assessment, and illustrate how these various models could meet the needs identified by both the public engagement process and the aggregate data.
 - Identify the various resources, funding needed to implement the recommendations
 - Advise on planning process(es) most appropriate for Dane County, including approaches for employing short-, mid-, and long-term goals, objectives, and action items.

UP NEXT

June 24th

CJC Meeting

Presentation of
Preliminary Findings

- **JUNE 24th** **SUMMARY PRESENTATION OF PRELIMINARY FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**
 - On June 24, 2021 CCI will present a virtual summary presentation of the key themes and preliminary findings to the CJC and CJC-RD Subcommittee at a public meeting of the CJC for reaction and comment.
 - The summary will highlight preliminary themes and findings based on initial quantitative and qualitative data analysis and stakeholder interviews.
 - CJC-RD Subcommittee members are encouraged to attend this presentation at 12:15 p.m. on Thursday, June 24.

UP NEXT

July 13th
5:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Community
Conversation

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT EVENT

- **Tuesday, July 13th**
- **5:30 – 7:00 p.m. virtual event**
- **Broad Community Conversation Hosted By CJC of Dane County**
 - This will be CCI's opportunity to engage with the general public on the draft preliminary findings and themes presented at the June 24th CJC meeting, gather additional qualitative input, and answer questions.
 - Invited participants will include Dane County residents, criminal justice stakeholders, people with lived experience in Dane County criminal justice system, local electeds, and CJC or CJC subcommittee members.

UP NEXT

July 27th
Time TBD

Targeted Group Engagement Event

7 Community
Groups only

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT EVENT

- Tuesday, July 27th
- Afternoon -- Time yet to be determined based on availability survey of the 7 community groups
- Targeted Group Engagement for the 7 Community Groups hosted by CCI
- This will be CCI's opportunity to engage directly with just the 7 community groups that participated in the pre-engagement and stakeholder interviews. These groups will have internally engaged their memberships in late June and early July to respond to CCI's draft preliminary findings.
- Each group will provide a written summary of its response, which will be shared with CCI. This will be another opportunity for candid conversation between CCI and these 7 groups.

ON THE HORIZON

Revised Report Drafting

- **JULY → AUGUST**
 - CCI team will synthesize their research, analysis, and input from stakeholder interviews, CJC member response at June 24th meeting, and engagement events into a revised set of findings and recommendations.

ON THE HORIZON

August 26th

CJC Meeting

Presentation on
Revised Findings and
Recommendations

- **AUGUST 26th** SUMMARY PRESENTATION OF DRAFT REVISED FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
- On August 26, 2021, CCI will present a summary of the draft revised findings and recommendations to the CJC and CJC-RD Subcommittee at a public meeting of the CJC for reaction and comment.
- **Goal:** Final CJC suggestions and approval

ON THE HORIZON

Early September

Presentation to
County Board

Delivery of
Final Report

- **SEPTEMBER 9th**
6:00 p.m.

SUMMARY PRESENTATION OF
FINAL REPORT TO DANE
COUNTY BOARD

- **SEPTEMBER 10th**

DELIVERY OF FINAL WRITTEN REPORT