Dane County

Minutes - Draft

CJC-Community Court Advisory Subcommittee

Tuesday, May 23, 2023	**12:15 PM**	**Hybrid Meeting: Attend in person at the City County Building in Room 351; attend virtually via Zoom**

A. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by PELLEBON at 12:19 pm.

Present 16 - CATHERINE DORL, DANA PELLEBON, JOHN BAUMAN, JONATHAN TRIGGS, RON CHANCE, ANTHONY COOPER, LINDA KETCHAM, EVELYN CRUZ, AMY BROWN, KIRBIE MACK, LISA BURRELL, CHARNICE ANDERSON, SHANNON BLACKAMORE, CARMELLA GLENN, AARON HICKS, and TODD MEUER

Excused 3 - MARIO WHITE, WESLEY SPARKMAN, and ISMAEL OZANNE

B. Consideration of Minutes

[2023 MIN-110](#)

May 9, 2023 minutes of the CJC-Community Court Advisory subcommittee meeting

Attachments: [2023 MIN-110](#)

A motion was made by KETCHAM seconded by MACK that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by voice vote.

C. Action Items

None.

D. Presentations

1. PRESENTATION OF DATA FROM A SYSTEM LENS (CORNELIUS)

Presentation on Data from a Systems Lens. Presentation examines volume of activity with a focus on racially disparate offenses and information on substance use and behavioral health issues reviewed. Ballpark annual numbers on data provided on calls for service, property & violent crimes, arrests, and new criminal court cases filed. Question regarding if data is presented by individuals or events. Question on if data is reported by race and ethnicity. Question on if domestic crime cases are included. CCAP data used for the presentation. Aggregated by using the violent crime list from the Wisconsin Pretrial Project. Question whether a CM case was coded by a violent crime. Data limited to ages of 17-35. Question on how the decision and who the people are that decide what is considered violent or non-violent?

Presentation on the 8 most disparate (black/white) non-violent crime categories. Question on if analysis included resisting and obstructing an officer. Question on if obstruction includes obedience to traffic officers. Question on if charges are just related to traffic stops. Question on data on traffic stops and related disparity. Question on what charges are considered violent.

Presentation on geo-location of where individuals with cases on most racially disparate crime categories are living. Question on exclusion of job center and county jail and if Beacon should also be excluded.

Presentation on share of all criminal cases that include one of the most disparate category of charges. Question on number of people at job center and county jail excluded in analysis.

Presentation on length of stay for cases with most disparate charges. Question on if data presented is prior to adjudication. Question on how many cases were paired up with a violent offense. Question on what charges are eligible based on Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) grant requirements. Question on how obstruction to an officer is measured in the data.

Presentation on substance use and mental health and cases with dugs and alcohol. Question on if Criminal Traffic (CT) cases reported were repeat operating while intoxicated (OWI) offenses.

Presentation on mental health for people booked in Dane County Jail from pilot program to screen mental health issues by the jail from 2021 and 2022. Question on pilot assessment conducted in jail and what determining factors exist to consider mental health individuals. Question on if assessment is self-reported. Question on if self-assessment was given at booking.

Presentation on additional resources by the Dane County Community Justice Council: cjc.countyofdane.com
Question on racial breakdown and disparity rate on law enforcement contact. Question on data collection standards used to identify Latinos in Dane County. Question on data reported to the Common Council by the Madison Policy Department as a source to investigate. Question on how data is being used to build the community court initiative and only being used as it has been done historically at the end rather than upstream. Comment on data and how it aligns closely to redlining data. Comment on the data and conversations are the same, but what will be different and to understand what the different is. Comment on being cautious on the process and not replicating disparity in

creation of the community court. Comment on difficulty around targeting most disparate category given services and public/political using data to guide this initiative. Comment on which data categories are paired with violent crimes and ultimately excluded.

2023 PRES-067   Data from a Systems Lens Presentation

Attachments: 2023 PRES-067

This presentation was placed on file.

E. Discussion

1. DATA FROM A SYSTEM LENS (CORNELIUS & SHELTON-MORRIS)

Facilitated discussion on does data mirror the comments given so far and if not, what differs. What and whom is missing from these conversations?

Committee recess for 15 minutes.

Concern about screener data and collection process on assessing mental health in the jail. What are the dynamics around the data presented. What is different and how will things change? What is the nuance with the data that has been collected. Data needs to be given prior to the meeting to allow members to be reflective and provide thoughts.

More information on evidence based programs outside of the model of community courts that is outside of politics and data collection. Incorporate the context of the data presented as to not only emphasize the normative narrative on who commits crime. Can the systemic issues be placed in a parking lot to address them in the future if these fall are outside the grant objectives. Surprised on the data on alcohol and criminal traffic. Data on Hispanic/Latino population should be addressed.

Cannot take the next step without looking at cases with violent charges in the same cases. Concern about examining data only using CCAP. For example, there are two municipal courts, Fitchburg Municipal court and Madison municipal court, that see a lot non-traffic offenses and it would be important to look at racial/ethnic data breakdowns on these cases as well. In addition, it is important to try to avoid CCAP entries and paperwork for individuals who will come through the community court and to keep them out of this data entry CCAP system. Comment on Fitchburg police stops leveraging data from Stanford data on these stops. Comment on being intentional about incorporating people of color into these initiatives. Interested in data breakdown by 17-18 cohort and how much they are driving the numbers.

2. NEXT STEPS (CLARK-BERNHARDT)

Comment on next steps for members. Engage with community and agency on the following questions:
What would you say is the most significant factor driving crime in your community?
What resources would make a difference in addressing root causes of involvement with criminal justice?
What would most help people avoid being involved with criminal activity?
What would most help victims of crime in your community?
What words would you use to describe a safe neighborhood and a safe community?

2023 PRES-068   Questions to ask community and agency prior to next meeting.

Attachments: 2023 PRES-068

F. Future Meeting Items and Dates

This presentation was placed on file.

1. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Members request staff to share the BJA-Community Court Initiative written grant.

Future presentation on Triage Center.

2. NEXT MEETING: JUNE 6, 2023 at 12:15 PM

In person attendance is requested for this meeting.

G. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

None.

H. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

None.

I. Adjourn

Motion made to adjourn by MACK, seconded by HICKS. Meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Isabel Anadon, pending formal approval by the CJC-Community Court Advisory subcommittee.