

Public Safety Coordinating Council Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, October 6, 2009 7:30 to 9:00 a.m. Multnomah Building - Room 315 501 S.E. Hawthorne Blvd.

Agenda

Introductions, Announcements & Approval of the September 1, 2009 Meeting Minutes

5 minutes

Chair Dan Saltzman

Report from LPSCC Workgroups

10 minutes

Council Members

Multnomah County STOP Court Grant Request

15 minutes

Scott Taylor

Presentation by the County Auditor on

Audit of the District Attorney's Data, Technology, & Communication with the Public

Steve March & Shea Marshman

20 minutes

Report on Gateway Center for Domestic

Violence Services

15 minutes

Report from Human Trafficking Taskforce

& Excerpt of "Playground"

Martha Strawn Morris

15 minutes

Deputy Keith Bickford & Sergeant Justus

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Local Public Safety Coordinating Council of Multnomah County

Executive Committee Meeting Summary Minutes for October 6, 2009

I. Introductions, Announcements, and Approval of Minutes

LPSCC Executive Committee Members

In Attendance

Multnomah County Chair Ted Wheeler, LPSCC Co-Chair

Portland City Commissioner Dan Saltzman, LPSCC Co-Chair

Chief Scott Anderson, Troutdale Police Lt. Jason Bledsoe, Oregon State Police

Karl Brimner, Director, County Mental Health Services

Judge Julie Frantz, Chief Criminal Court Judge

Joanne Fuller, Director, Department of

County Human Services
Tim German, Gresham Police

Judy Hadley, Citizen Representative

Chief Phillip Klahn, Port of Portland Police

Assistant Chief Brian Martinek, Portland Police

Judge Jean Maurer, Presiding Circuit Court Judge

Diane McKeel, Multnomah County Commissioner, District #4

Rob Milesnick, Director, Citizen's Crime Commission

Kent Robinson, U. S. Attorney

Chiquita Rollins, Domestic Violence

Coordinator

Michael Schrunk, District Attorney

Bob Skipper, Multnomah County Sheriff

Scott Taylor, Director, Department of

Community Justice

Judge Nan Waller, Chief Family Court Judge

Michael Ware, Director, SEI

Other Attendees

Joslyn Baker, Multnomah County DVCO /

DVERT

Sarah Berkemeier, Raphael House of Portland /

Mult Co DVERT Keith Bickford, MCSO

Ron Bishop, MCSO

Jann Brown, DCJ

Shannon Callahan, Commissioner Saltzman's

Office

Carl Goodman, DCJ

Glenna Hayes, Center for Family Success

Barry Jennings, Oregon Judicial Department

Doug Justus, Portland Police Bureau Gary Kirby, Fairview Police Department

Matthew Lashua, Commissioner Shiprack's

Office

Steve March, County Auditor's Office

Shea Marshman, County Auditor's Office

Tim Moore, MCSO

Matt O'Keefe, DCJ-CANS

Charlene Rhyne, DCJ

Tom Slyter, MCSO

Dan Staton, MCSO

Martha Strawn Morris, Gateway Center for

Domestic Violence Services

Kathleen Treb. DCJ

Jacquie Weber, County Attorney's Office

Carol Wessinger, Citizen

Wanda Yantis, MCSO

Jason Ziedenberg, DCJ

LPSCC Staff

Peter Ozanne, Executive Director

Elizabeth Davies, Public Safety System Analyst

Council members approved the September 1, 2009 minutes. The Council recognized the work of Carol Wessinger, LPSCC Deputy Director, for her service to the Council.

II. Report from LPSCC Workgroups

1. Youth and Gang Violence Workgroup: The workgroup is developing a scan of current and best practices for reducing youth violence in Multnomah County. The scan will help the workgroup assess the extent to which local efforts match national best practices and help identify gaps in services. The workgroup devoted the bulk of its last meeting to discussing violence in the schools, with particular attention to schools' suspension and expulsion policies and how they relate to student outcomes.

2. Mental Health Public Safety Subcommittee:

- a. Mental Health Court: Judge Frantz reported that the Court currently has 25 participants, all of whom have an Axis I diagnosis. The court is considering expanding its referral requirements in order to increase the number of individuals who can participate in the program.
- b. GAINES Intercept Mode: The subcommittee will be requesting technical assistance from the Gaines Center in order to assess Multnomah County's public safety system and mental health system according to the GAINES Intercept Model. The model helps managers identify opportunities to intervene on behalf of individuals with mental health challenges at various points in the criminal justice system and will encourage both systems to understand how decisions and actions are inter-related. The technical assistance is estimated to cost \$12,000.
- c. <u>New Grant Opportunity</u>: There is a new grant to prevent individuals from cycling between jail and the state hospital as they wait to have their cases resolved.
- 3. <u>Public Safety Plan Workgroup</u>: Scott Taylor reported that the workgroup focused its last meeting on its top five high-priority proposals:
 - a. <u>Booking Common Database</u>: The workgroup discussed the proposal in greater technical detail and requested that MCSO staff, IT, and other involved in the process continue to sort out the details of the project.
 - b. <u>Holds Team</u>: This proposal has been implemented through leadership in the Courts and DA's office.
 - c. <u>Misdemeanor Supervision</u>: The workgroup discussed the mechanics of the proposal, such as how the population would be assessed and what current DCJ clients this population would supplant, as well as the costs. The proposal will be taken on by a smaller workgroup, mostly composed of DCJ staff.
 - d. <u>Standardized Police Reports</u>: The workgroup discussed the use of electronic, shared reporting between partner law enforcement agencies, with the understanding that this goal may not come to fruition until Portland Police officially changes over to its new data management system. The proposal has been directed to the LPSCC System and Agency Alignment workgroup.
 - e. <u>CJIS</u>: After discussing the proposed Criminal Justice Information System, the workgroup determined that the cost prohibited immediate action and that more discussion was needed regarding low-cost action steps that align with CJIS goals.
- 4. <u>System Alignment Workgroup</u>: Assistant Chief Brian Martinek, Portland Police, reported that the workgroup is currently developing a curriculum for DPST trainings. DPST has agreed to provide classroom space if local police agencies supply staff to provide the actual training. The workgroup is discussing how to share this model with other counties and regions in the state.

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¹ http://gainscenter.samhsa.gov/pdfs/integrating/GAINS_Sequential_Intercept.pdf

5. Reentry Council: Scott Taylor reported that the meeting focused on identifying a target population using information from reports developed by the MCSO Resource and Analysis Unit and presented by Captain Drew Brosh. The reports included an analysis of Length of Stay by Crime type and Custody Type, and an analysis of frequently booked inmates. Scott Taylor also reported on the status of a Reentry Center funded through a grant with ROAR and Mercy Corps.

III. Grant Application Approvals

Council members reviewed a grant application set forth by the Department of Community Justice that requested two years of funding for a STOP Court Deputy District Attorney and a Recovery Mentor. Recognizing the crucial need for these positions in order for the STOP Court to continue to function, the Council unanimously approved this application.

The Council also reviewed a grant application to fund a Multnomah Circuit Court DUII Intensive Supervision Program (DISP) case manager position and to support existing levels of DISP program services in the face of state budget reductions. The Council unanimously approved this application.

Judge Maurer used this time to make an announcement concerning HB 2287, which increases fees throughout the court system. The new fee schedule is expected to generate \$39 million for the state, 65 percent of which will go to the Oregon Judicial Department and 35 percent to Indigent Defense.

IV. Presentation by the County Auditor

County Public Safety Auditor Shea Marshman presented several key findings from her audit of the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office. Rather than focusing on specific examples related to that office, Shea translated her findings into recommendations that could be employed across departments in order to strengthen and improve communication and data management and analysis.

Her recommendations included:

- 1. Train all employees tasked with answering telephones how to confidently and consistently represent their office.
- 2. Ensure that written communication with the public is clear and straight-forward. One related suggestion was to activate "readability statistics" in Microsoft Word, which displays the number of years of education typically needed to understand a document.
- 3. Retain intellectual capital by encouraging the use of shared drives and clearly documenting the organizational structure of folders, files and other information.
- 4. Encourage the use of electronic documents and carefully monitor the accuracy and efficiency of automated processes.
- 5. Actively fight data "mess." For example, the DA's office is working to ensure that unique identifiers (such as case numbers, state IDs) remain unique and can be easily matched across data fields.
- 6. Focus on what you need, archive what you don't. Systems are often set up to collect as much data as possible in an effort to retain sufficient detail, but these efforts often lead to the accumulation of "data sediment" that makes it difficult to query the system. If we can eliminate variables and values that are not needed and can clearly define the variables that remain, it will be easier to answer operational questions, policy questions and research questions.

District Attorney Mike Schrunk emphasized the value in having someone outside of his agency come in with a fresh perspective. He also pointed to the need for this type of analysis at the system level, to understand how public safety partners operate together as a larger entity. The District Attorney added that although the County has more data than ever, we don't necessarily know how to use it.

Peter Ozanne asked Ms. Marshman if her audit revealed any key measures of program success beyond changes in crime rates or recidivism. She responded that the County first needs to better understand what type of data is available in each system. Chiquita Rollins suggested including victim outcomes as a measure of success.

V. Report on Gateway Center for Domestic Violence Services

Martha Strawn Morris presented her report on the soon-to-open Gateway Center, the result of a collaborative effort between the City of Portland and Multnomah County to improve services to victims of domestic violence.

Ms. Strawn Morris discussed the service delivery model for the center, which begins when victims first learn of this resource. Administrators are hoping to publicize the center through a variety of different means, such as police contact, community partners, 211 inquiries and public service announcements. Once an individual has arrived at the center, a receptionist will make the initial determination of whether that individual is appropriate to receive services at the center (i.e. a victim or survivor of domestic violence). If the receptionist is unsure, a navigator (advocate) or operations manager will make the determination. Once the individual is approved, first time participants are directed to meet with a navigator to determine needs and explore options for services with onsite and offsite partners. These partners include a Victim Advocate from the DA's Office and staff members from the DHS Self-Sufficiency Program, Legal Aid, and Volunteers of America. The center also allows victims to apply for restraining orders.

The City of Portland is providing the administrative infrastructure for the center and Multnomah County is providing the facility. Administrators expect the center to open in early 2010. For more information on this center, please see "Report to the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council On the Implementation of the Gateway Center for Domestic Violence Services (f.k.a. the One-Stop Domestic Violence Service Center)," dated October 2009.

VI. Report from Human Trafficking Taskforce

Deputy Keith Bickford, Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, and Sergeant Doug Justus, Portland Police Bureau, reported on some of the Human Trafficking Task Force's recent efforts to reduce human trafficking in the County. Presenters also intended to show a clip of the documentary "Playground," which focuses on the sexual exploitation of children within the United States. A link to this excerpt can be found at http://www.playgroundproject.com/.