

LPSCC Council Meeting Follow Up 2.24.2025

Context of Pretrial Work in Multnomah County

There are several ongoing large scale initiatives occurring at the same time in our jurisdiction.

Work is happening as part of the Safety + Justice Challenge while agencies are simultaneously responding to statutory, policy, and operational changes. At the highest level, we got here through a series of local, state, and national efforts marked by the following significant milestones:

- HB 3194 (2014) - State's Justice Reinvestment Initiative, resulted in the Multnomah County Justice Reinvestment Program (MCJRP) and lays the groundwork for subsequent system reform efforts.
- Safety + Justice Challenge (2015) - National foundation initiative funds the implementation of system reform in select jurisdictions.
- [SB 48](#) (2021) - State's pretrial reform initiative, led to changes in roles and responsibilities for pretrial system partners.
- [Chief Justice Order 24-014](#) (2024) - Directs release decisions across the state.

Multnomah County's strong collaborative history in pretrial system reform work through the Safety + Justice Challenge meant that stakeholders were prepared to implement sweeping operational changes when Senate Bill 48 was passed. Today, the Safety + Justice Challenge brings Multnomah County a plan for next steps and additional funding to evaluate the changes we as a system collectively implemented over the past decade.

Historical Documents and Additional Resources

[Multnomah County Pretrial System Improvements](#) - Overview of system changes implemented in June, 2023. These changes included the implementation of the PSA (Public Safety Assessment) and modifications to how Close Street Supervision and Pretrial Monitoring Program operate. Includes the [Pretrial Resource Guide](#), which was created as Multnomah County implemented the PSA in 2023.

Additional materials for reference:

- [What is the Public Safety Assessment?](#)
- [Multnomah County's MacArthur Safety and Justice Challenge Documents](#) - Details work, reports, and planning since the Challenge began in 2015.
- [MacArthur Safety and Justice Challenge](#)

Past LPSCC Meetings and Materials related to pretrial:

- [Multnomah County Pretrial System Changes Presentation - June 2023](#)
 - [LPSCC Agenda June 26, 2023](#)
 - [Pretrial Resource Guide](#)
 - [MCDA Pretrial Release Flowchart](#)
 - [DCJ's Role in Pretrial Release](#)
 - [Multnomah County Circuit Court Pretrial Release Transition](#)
 - [Release Assistance Officers \(RAO\)](#)
 - [JSP's Validating the Public Safety Assessment](#)

- [Watch the June recorded meeting](#)
- [Multnomah County's Pretrial System Changes - July 2023](#)
 - [LPSCC Agenda July 24, 2023](#)
 - [Pretrial Briefing July 2023](#)
 - [Meaningful First Appearance Slides](#)
 - [Watch the July recorded meeting](#)
- [Safety + Justice Challenge grant reapplication - August 2021](#)
 - [LPSCC Agenda August 9, 2021](#)
 - [Watch the August recorded meeting](#)

Collaboration, transparency, accountability, and data driven decision making are more important than ever as we navigate unprecedented staffing turnover at every level of the public safety system.