

LPSCC Executive Meeting

Summary Minutes for October 8, 2018

Attendees

LPSCC Executive Committee Members

Deena Corso, DCJ Juvenile Services Division Jan Elfers, Community Representative Charles Lovell, Portland Police Bureau Kaki Marshall, Community Representative Carl Macpherson, Metropolitan Public Defenders Kevin Modica, Black Male Achievement and Legislative Assistant Berk Nelson, City of Portland Erika Preuitt, Dept. of Community Justice Mike Reese, Multnomah County Sheriff Lori Stegmann, District 4 Rod Underhill, District Attorney

Other Attendees

Michelle Aguilar, Dept. of Community Justice Devarshi Bajpai, County Health Department Talina Branch, MHAO Adam Brown. County Budget Office Ross Caldwell, Oregon Criminal Justice Commission Audrey DeCoursey, Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon Lakeesha Dumas, MHASD Alison Dunfee, Metropolitan Public Defenders Audrey Engle, Metropolitan Public Defenders Jennifer Ferguson, JSP Jillian Girard, Budget Office

Kyra Hazilla, Metropolitan Public Defenders Jason Heilbrun, County IT Roberta Hunte, Office of Commissioner Stegmann Lore Joplin, JSP Ann Kasper, Peer Advocate Deandre Kenyanjui, County Health Dept. Kristina Loverdi, Metropolitan Public Defenders Barb Marcille, Oregon Judicial Dept. Anna Marie McNiel, County Auditor's Office Hayden Miller, District #3 Jessica Morkert-Shibley, County Communications Office Chelsea Penning, District 1 Intern Pete Pincetl, Sheriff's Office Neal Rotman, Mental Health & Addictions Services Jay Scroggin, Dept. of Community Justice Kathy Sevos, Volunteers of America Oregon Kathryn Sofich, Dept. of Community Justice Alex Zielinksi, Portland Mercury

Diane Wade House Staff

LPSCC Staff

Abbey Stamp, LPSCC Executive Director Sarah Mullen, SJC Project Manager Kyle Schwab, MacArthur SJC Data Analyst Samuel Taylor, Research Project Manger Lily Yamamoto, JRI Project Manager Christina Youssi, LPSCC Executive Assistant

Introductions, Announcements, and Approval of Minutes

Introductions were made.

Announcements:

Kaki Marshall, LPSCC community representative, will be moving to California, but will stay involved until her replacement is confirmed.

The September minutes were approved.

Possession of Controlled Substances Report (CJC)

DA Rod Underhill and Criminal Justice Commission's (CJC) Ross Caldwell reported on the CJC report: Possession of a Controlled Substances Report Per House Bill 2355. The presentation highlighted the impact possession of controlled substances (PCS) law and policy change. Ross presented the following:

- Summary of legislative changes: passed July 2017 and effective August 2017
- General statewide trends of PCS arrest rates and convictions
- Racial Disparities
- Other effects too early to determine: recidivism, drug courts, drug use.

Rod Underhill presented a closer look at Multnomah County:

- Treatment First Program
- Reasons why Multnomah County differs from statewide data (policies around Treatment First participation)
- Treatment First and Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD).
- Risk and Needs Placement Model of Treatment First
- Trends contrasting county and state
- Racial disparities
- What is needed for continued success

For details, see the <u>presentation</u>.

Following the presentation, the following topics were discussed:

- Cost savings: while challenging to do, there is the desire to measure cost savings.
- Consideration of the difference between equity and equality.

Diane Wade House Update

Scheduled to open in the fall, the <u>Diane Wade House</u> is funded by the MacArthur Foundation's <u>Safety and Justice Challenge</u> and will be the first-of-its-kind transitional housing program for adult women involved in the criminal justice system in Multnomah County. The home will provide gender-responsive, trauma-informed services that are also Afrocentric.

Abbey Stamp introduced the house supervisor, O'Nesha Cochran, who then shared her history and passion for the program. The following points were made:

- The staff are all African American women with lived-experience.
- Staff are currently involved in Mental Health and Domestic Violence trainings.
- A community listening session in early 2018 resulted in a new way of involving peers in the program development to ensure the house is truly Afrocentric.
- These women want to participate more in the programming for the house. In general, African American staff need more mentors like themselves, seats at the tables, etc. Black male voices are also welcome.

Erika Preuitt drew attention to the program's namesake, Diane Wade, an African American Parole Officer who worked with African American women.

Safety and Justice Community Engagement Grant Application

Abbey Stamp noted that the County applied for a community engagement grant as part of the MacArthur Safety and Justice Challenge. The \$200,000 per year for 2 years would be used to enhance community engagement. For details about the plan and desired outcomes, see the <u>presentation</u>.

The meeting was adjourned.