

# Clark County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**April 18, 2024, 2:00 p.m.**

## **Call to Order**

- Meeting called to order and a quorum was established.

## **Review and Approve Minutes**

- The February 22, meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

## **Informational**

- Crisis Stabilization Center, DCM Frierson and Bud Schawl (UMC)
  - A growing number of jurisdictions are creating crisis stabilization centers to provide officers with an option to link people to the most appropriate supportive services, help reduce arrest, and improve outcomes for people with behavioral health needs. With the pilot program, Clark County intends to provide behavioral health services designed to de-escalate or stabilize, a person with co-occurring substance use disorder and connect the patient with providers of ongoing care.

The population for this program is adults 18 years and older who are experiencing a behavioral health crisis, with or without a co-occurring substance use disorder. This program will accept all patients, without regard to the race, gender, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, or place of residence. Any social conditions that affect the patient or ability of the patient to pay will not impact acceptance into the program.

The program will be open 24/7 and would ideally service individuals for less than 24 hours. The facility would accept drop offs from law-enforcement and transfers from emergency departments.

The facility will offer trauma-informed specialty mental health care to include:

- Psychiatric assessments
- Medication evaluation and management
- Individualized recovery,
- Evaluation for detention
- Admission evaluations for psychiatric hospitalization
- Substance abuse screening
- Peer support services
- Linkage and coordination to aftercare
- Treatment specific to the individual

## **Discussion and Update on Subcommittees**

- Linsey LaMontagne gave an update on CJCC activities:
  - A reminder that the project that the subcommittees started in February is to dig into our CJCC strategic plan and identify the key activities for each of the strategic priorities

that will be spearheaded by each of the subcommittees. We're doing this to give the strategic plan an update and identify specific tangible activities and goals we want to accomplish over the next few years.

- Specific focus is to make sure we're meeting the mission of the CJCC to ensure our justice system can work better together and use data to identify any disparities or gaps in the system among specific populations.
- Our partners with Consilience Group are facilitating this process in the monthly meetings for each committee, and we're making good progress.
  - The subcommittees have had the chance to take a web-based course on the social drivers of equity that gives us some common understanding and language about our work and how residents may be experiencing the justice system.
  - The committee meetings have been well-attended with active input and engagement.
  - All committees have drafted their Activity Goals and have begun methodically refining those activities using the components of an equity planning guide. I think you'll be pleased with the specificity of these goals with a mix of shorter-term and longer-term goals.
  - We've also identified some common cross-cutting categories that pertain to the overall work of the CJCC.
    - Better, more consistent, and uniform data to better understand trends and identify areas of improvement.
    - Shared awareness of and Access to Services for justice-involved individuals.
    - Standardized, more comprehensive community engagement.
- We'll be wrapping up the planning work in June and plan to have specific plan recommendations ready to present at the June meeting.

#### **For Possible Action**

- A revision to the bylaws was proposed to include a member of the business community. John Piro explained his support of the intended member and noted the benefits of membership including historical knowledge, pivotal affiliate in the development of the IA court, and vested interests in the community. It was unanimously voted that Todd Fasulo would be added as a voting member of the full CJCC.
- It was discussed that the CJCC should consider inviting a member of the multi-cultural community to the next meeting. Chief Haas will make a presentation during the next CCDC Multi-cultural meeting and gauge interest in CJCC membership.

#### **New Business Requests or Future Agenda Items**

- Future agenda items include a presentation from Harvard regarding PCU outcomes and a presentation on the medical program that is now being offered at The Center for the LGBTQ+ community.
- Invitation to a member of the CCDC Multi-cultural Community.

**Meeting was Adjourned.**