

MINUTES
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)
Clark County
Department of Juvenile Justice Services
Eagle Quest N. Rancho Dr. LV NV 89130
September 2nd, 2020 at 9am

Advisory Members Present: Ronald Coe, Josephine Bonomo, Leisa Moseley, David Doyle, Ricardo Villalobos, Michael Tulipat, and Jennifer Keiser

Advisory Members Absent: Tiffany Tyler-Garner, Mike Barton, Dominika Washington, and Karen Omosola

Attendees: John Martin, Eboni Washington and Cheri Wright

Minutes completed by: Shannon Freire

I. Call to Order – 9:00am

II. Introductions

- a. Welcome new members Ronald Coe, Karen Omosola, Michael Tulipat and returning member David Doyle.

III. Public Comments None

IV. Approval of 7/1/2020 CAC minutes – Approved

V. Approval of Agenda – Approved

VI. Receive the Director’s Report on the Activities of the Department of Juvenile Justice Services

a. Budget/Personnel

- i. We continue to make revisions to processes/work hours and locations due to Covid-19. As the community is forced to change their ways, we are too.
- ii. There are a total of 65 positions lost to vacancies and the voluntary separation program that was offered recently.
- iii. SMYC has been temporarily closed due to fires and COVID-19 reasons. The staff and youth have been moved to Detention to assist in containing the virus and its potential spread.
- iv. Our ISP (Intensive Supervision Program) team was reduced to get more probation officers in Detention where the need is.

b. Legislature

- i. NO UPDATE-Mr. Martin continues to watch NRS 289.020 regarding Peace Officers Rights.
- ii. Mr. Martin has received attention from legislation regarding AB309 and the implementation of our new division, Truancy Prevention Outreach Program (T-POP). He thanked County management for their support.

- iii. There is talk about a third special legislative session scheduled that may include budget cuts to our department. We will also watch to see if Harbor expansion is involved.
- iv. Thank you Mr. Whelihan for your review on our Grievance policies. Our process is strong but it is still necessary to review on occasion.

c. Juvenile Detention Reform

- i. Our site visit with RFK consultants was delayed due to Covid-19 until October.
- ii. Our assessment team is up and running and ensuring there is consistency across the board on outcomes and recommendations. We are able to complete assessments over the phone and in the youth's home! We are including educational interviews to ensure a complete picture of the child's current situation is addressed in the recommendation as well. We will be able to find strengths of youth and build on that and have more follow through on case plans and constructing case plans.
 - 1. The assessment team has been able to complete assessments within two weeks for in-custody youth. This is extremely helpful to get youth recommendations to the Judge in a more timely manner and if possible, youth released from Detention sooner than before.

d. Juvenile Justice Programming

- i. Implementation for T-POP is going smoothly and will launch in a few weeks. Our team has been out in the community getting to know people and letting people get to know what we can assist with.
- ii. Due to COVID-19 and the budget crisis we are in, the halfway house was closed and youth were moved out. We are considering making this home and the previous home both available to girls only. Because there are few providers interested in this, we would need to find additional funding to get the programs moving. If we are able to complete this, we would have two homes available for placements to take female youth that do not belong in detention. We would also ensure to provide trauma informed care, possibly a contained school, pro-social activities, etc. As expanding girls programming has been a focus for years, we are hoping to make this successful one day.
- iii. Our ERC (Evening Reporting Center) staff are still assisting other divisions where the need is high. They are finding ways to make a connection to services easier for our families.

e. The Harbor Update

- i. Two new Harbor locations opened last month! Harbor NLV is located at 3001 N. Martin Luther King Blvd. NLV, NV 89032. Harbor Flamingo is located at 2000 E. Flamingo Rd, LV NV 89119. Because of Covid-19, there were only media and speakers at the grand openings. If you or someone you know would like a tour of either new location, please contact Shannon Freire.
- ii. Representatives from The Harbor have been asked to speak at several conferences due to the success of the program. In addition, The Harbor is in the process of joining the National Assessment Center Association (NAC) that is developing guiding principles for centers nationwide. The NAC also provides education and training on a variety of topics that will be offered to our assessment center staff members.

VII. CAC Strategic Goals

- a. **Increase programming to improve client outcomes, using evidence based practices and measuring performance**
- b. **Reduce disproportionate minority contact through the use of targeted strategies and programs**
- c. **Post juvenile justice transition**-The group discussed current stressors for youth aging out of the system due to COVID-19. Mr. Whelihan has been meeting with our Dual-Custody team to see what can be done to assist.
- d. **Improve facilities to provide increased security and increased rehabilitative and vocational opportunities**

VIII. Informational Items

- a. **Identify emerging issues to be addressed by the Committee at future meetings**
- b. **Other information that may be of interest to the Committee and the public**
 - a. Chairman Dave Doyle shared a public workshop that is scheduled later today on ‘Network Adequacy and Mandatory Enrollment for Severely Emotionally Disturbed Children in Managed Care.’ The link was shared with the group.
 - b. Ricardo Villalobos shared about a GOED WINN-funded manufacturing/CNC workforce training program launching early 2021. Individuals must be a Nevada resident and must be at least 18 years old.

Date	Meeting	Time and location
3 rd Thurs monthly	DFS CAC	8:30-10am DFS Central Clark room, 121 S. Martin Luther King
12/3	Policy and Fiscal Affairs meeting	12:30pm in the Govt. Center, 6 th floor in the Joshua Conference Room
9/23, 12/16	Harbor Executive Steering Committee	1-3pm The Harbor 861 N. Mojave Rd.
8/18	My Brother's Keeper Educational Equity Task Force	2:30-4:30pm 4204 Channel 10 Dr. Las Vegas, 89119 Portable C Large Conference Room
8/11	My Brother's Keeper Community Engagement Task Force	9-11am at 4204 Channel 10 Dr. Las Vegas, 89119 Portable C Large Conference Room
8/12 & 10/14 @3pm	My Brother's Keeper Law Enforcement Task Force	9-11am at 4204 Channel 10 Dr. Las Vegas, 89119 Portable C Large Conference Room
Cancelled	MBK Full Alliance Meeting	Las Vegas City Hall, first floor 2-4pm
11/18	DJJS JDAI (JJ Detention Alternatives Initiative Committee)	12pm DJJS Director’s Conference room

c. Announcements

- i. Next meeting is **October 7th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.**, in the Director’s Office Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101

IX. Public Comments – NA

X. Adjournment – 9:52am