

**MARION COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL****MINUTES**

**April 10, 2018 4:00 PM  
Commissioners' Board Room  
555 Court St. NE, Salem, OR**

- MCPSCC:** Walt Beglau, Kevin Cameron, Janet Carlson, Kim Doster, Jayne Downing, Don Frederickson, Tamra Goettsch, Roland Herrera, Levi Herrera-Lopez, Jessica Kampfe, Pete McCallum, Todd McCann, Ed McKenney, Cary Moller, Mike Runyon, Cari Sessums, Kim Wallis, Jeff Wood (for Jason Myers), and Allycia Weathers (recorder).
- GUESTS:** Jan Calvin, Robert Carney, Andrew Galen, Julie Huckestein, Alison Kelley, Kim Larson, Raul Marquez Guerrero, Ashley Marshall, Tim Murphy, Tricia Ratliff, Ali Treichel, and Jo Zimmer.

**1. ADMINISTRATIVE (INFORMATION/ACTION)**

Meeting called to order at 4:02 P.M. by Commissioner Janet Carlson.

**Welcome and Introductions**

Council members made introductions around the table.

**Approve March 13, 2018 Meeting Minutes**

Amendment: The second bullet states "OYA has a policy that if someone is gang designated, they must go through a separate incarceration process". It should state that *OYA has a process in working with gang youth. They are not incarcerated separately or on a separate track.* This change has been confirmed this with OYA's presenter, Christina Puentes.

MOTION: Ed McKenney moved approval of the March 13, 2018 MCPSCC meeting minutes, as amended. Seconded by Jayne Downing. Motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

**Announcements and Upcoming Events**

- Introducing new council member Cari Sessums:
  - Cari also serves on Marion County Sheriff's Office Advisory Committee and Stayton Police Department Advisory Board. She is representing the Local Alcohol & Drug Planning Committee.
- Oregon Second Chance Tour Kicked Off April 10, 2018:
  - More than 200 people in attendance; and
  - Biggest summit Dave's Killer Bread Foundation has been involved in across the nation.
  - Local employers in attendance:
    - Employers sharing obstacles to employing the reentry population.
  - Conducted a simulation of the barriers to employment for people involved in the criminal justice system.
  - Kicking off tour across Oregon:
    - Working to keep each event to about two hours.
  - Dave's Killer Bread Foundation taking donations:
    - Raised \$40,000 so far.

- Attorney General toured Center for Hope and Safety:
  - Announced the Crime Victim Services Division is now the Crime Victim Services and Survivors Division (CVSSD);
  - Good share the work being done in the community; and
  - First tour of the newer location.
- Safe routes to school initiative:
  - 2017 legislature passed a bill to ensure funding is available to ensure children have safe routes to school:
    - Working on public infrastructure issues.
  - Talking points hand out available at ([attached](#)).
- Perception of Danger Workshop held recently in Woodburn:
  - Approximately 140 people in attendance;
  - Workshop included information about natural disasters, violent incidents, and other dangers in the community;
  - Presentation from first responders for public about interacting with first responders;
  - President of a security company spoke at the event:
    - Safety in public spaces;
    - Dangerous situations such as violent shooters, or other violent encounters; and
    - Techniques for self-protection.
  - Likely to be an annual event going forward.

## **2. Criminal Justice Commission Quarterly Prison Intake Update**

Commander Jeff Wood presented this item. Summary of presentation:

- Presentation charts available on the Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) [website](#).
- Summarized prison month usage:
  - Significant drop over the last year; and
  - Marion County's prison month usage is trending about the same as the state:
    - Prison usage is below the state average for prison diversion and reentry programs; and
    - Lower women's prison bed usage credited to Family Sentencing Alternative Program and Women's Accelerated Reentry Program.
- Comparison to baseline:
  - Reduced prison utilization in Marion County;
  - Marion County is leading the state in the reduction in prison usage since 2014; and
  - Diversion and treatment programs are successfully reducing prison usage.
- Marion County's collaborative model drives the improvement in metrics.

## **3. Mid-Willamette Homeless Initiative; Runaway & Homeless Youth**

Commissioner Janet Carlson; Tricia Ratliff and Angel Stevens, Community Action Agency; Jo Zimmer, Rural Oregon Continuum of Care; Raul Marquez, McKay High School; presented this item. Summary of presentation:

### Background

- Discussion of homelessness with the Public Safety Coordinating Council was initiated with a presentation at the December 2015 council meeting:
  - Local high school students provided a presentation and some recommendations to address homelessness;
  - Community Action Agency provided information about Housing First;

- Interest at that time to establish a task force.
- Mid-Willamette Homeless Initiative (MWI) Task force met from February 2016 through February 2017:
  - Four jurisdictions participated in the task force:
    - Marion County;
    - Polk County;
    - City of Salem; and
    - City of Keizer.
  - Task force included representation from criminal justice, local government, school district, local business, and community providers;
  - Eight subcommittees developed; and
  - Developed a strategic plan:
    - Plan was presented to council previously;
    - Important to ensure strategic plan moved forward;
    - Brought in a facilitator.
  - Facilitator recommended creating a steering committee and hiring a coordinator:
    - Coordinator to work with all the jurisdictions to implement the plan; and
    - Need for staff person.
  - Mid Valley Council of Governments is an organization which all local government jurisdictions in Marion, Polk, and Yamhill counties belong to:
    - Ability to act as a neutral body;
    - Agreed to having coordinator in their organization; and
    - Five jurisdictions (Marion County and cities of Independence, Keizer, Monmouth, and Salem) allocated funds to hire a coordinator;
    - Ali Treichel was selected as staff coordinator:
      - Recently graduated with Masters in Public Health;
      - Thesis in community health promotion and education, especially with vulnerable populations;
      - Working with steering committee to develop one-year work plan to focus and direct work;
      - Major priority to do a complete overview and mapping of the current systems which impact the homeless population;
      - Need to identify gaps and develop recommendations.

#### Runaway and Homeless Youth Shelter

- Need for a Runaway and Homeless Youth Shelter was the top priority out of the MWI public safety steering committee;
- Need to identify a location for shelter:
  - Initial property identified became unavailable.
- Awarded U.S. Housing & Urban Development (HUD) technical assistance grant to enter into 100-Day Challenge:
  - Also applied for the HUD 2016 Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP) Grant which was not awarded;
  - Currently writing the 2017 YHDP Grant:
    - PSCC has provided a letter of support.
  - 100-Day Challenge is a “Plan B” for jurisdictions not awarded the YHDP grant:
    - Opportunity for group of stakeholders in a local community, under a 100 day time limit develops goal:

- Goal for Marion County's 100-Day Challenge team was to build a coordinated system for 150 unaccompanied youth in crisis, ages 12-18 years old:
  - Provide a safe and stable place to be;
  - Empower youth;
  - Connect to a variety of services and resources to support immediate and long term needs.
- Four communities from across the nation were included in the HUD 100-Day Challenge cohort which just completed:
  - Marion County's group is the only jurisdiction which focused on youth population under age 18;
  - Working to build some best practices.
- Sub-goals:
  - Assess youth needs;
  - Create a youth action board;
  - Create a list of unaccompanied youth;
  - Safely place a total of 150 youth;
  - Strengthen and improve current outreach program:
    - Aim to encounter at least ten new youth each week.
- Goals achieved:
  - Completed assessment;
  - Youth action board convened:
    - Will become part of the continuum of care work group going forward.
  - List of unaccompanied youth is a work in progress:
    - Currently 134 names;
    - Partnership with service providers;
    - Aligns with continuum of care;
    - Continuing to integrate.
  - Able to place 93 youth:
    - Ten in shelter;
    - 72 reunified with families; and
    - 11 in creative placements.
  - Well-built outreach with developed process:
    - Hosted community event.
  - Created an immediate needs mobile-system:
    - Key coded space in housing authority to allow first responders to access basic needs items for youth on the street.
- Continuum of Care (CoC):
  - HUD created continuums of care across the nation to fund multiple communities within a jurisdiction:
    - Oregon has seven CoCs:
      - Conduct community planning;
      - Expectation for community partnerships and shared applications for funding; and
      - Funding and community engagement mechanism.
    - Marion County is part of the Rural Oregon Continuum of Care, which is a "balance of state" CoC that includes 28 of Oregon's 36 counties:

- No coordinated, collaborative effort in place previously; and
  - Doing great work considering system was not established.
- Have reached the 100 day mark; and
  - Leveraging information for application in 2017 Youth Demonstration Program Grant.
- Team Members and Sponsors list attached:
  - Is a community effort; and
  - Demonstrates a cross-section of agencies.

Raul Marquez Guerrero Serves on the United Way board of directors with Commissioner Kevin Cameron:

- Initiated youth leadership group:
    - Worked with student government program;
    - Selected youth homelessness issue;
    - Goal to establish overnight homeless shelter for youth in the City of Salem;
    - Worked with Community Action Agency to identify a home;
    - Goal to raise \$400,000 to open shelter;
    - Partnered with Community Action Agency to present case study to United Way:
      - Awarded \$110,000 toward purchasing a property.
    - Interned with state legislature during short session:
      - Requested funds from State of Oregon; and
      - Gained bipartisan support and received funding.
    - Reached funding goal of \$400,000 on the last day of the 100-Day Challenge.
  - Shelter will open this fall and will be named Taylor's House:
    - Will invite council to the ribbon cutting.
- Question regarding overlap between youth homeless and those in foster care:
  - Almost half of the homeless are from foster care; and
  - Starting a non-behavioral rehabilitative service for foster youth.
- Question regarding definition of homeless for blended families in one residence:
  - Multiple families in one home without sufficient beds or space and defined as homeless.
- Question how can community members can help:
  - Funding is a great need;
  - Community outreach and advocacy:
    - Educate people in the community; and
    - Small population of homeless youth is on the streets.
  - Need for supports in the community including rural areas.
- *What's Next Workshop* coming up in May:
  - Update on current progress;
  - Discussion on host-home project:
    - Marion, Polk, Linn, and Benton Counties participating.
  - Working to expand beyond Salem-Keizer core.

#### **4. Alliance for Hope: Semi-Annual Update**

Jayne Downing, Center for Hope and Safety; Alison Kelley, Liberty House; Kim Larson District Attorney's Office, Victim Assistance Division; presented this item. Summary of presentation:

- Restraining orders improvements:

- Working to cover gaps identified from Alliance for Hope report;
- Justice Reinvestment Act funded an advocate through Center for Hope and Safety:
  - Council allocated these funds to make that possible;
  - Cross training with district attorney's office; and
  - Served 315 unduplicated victims in the last six months.
- Positive culture shift in court:
  - Expectation advocates will be part of the process and participating in hearings;
  - Judges soliciting feedback from advocates in court; and
  - Provide resource to victims and survivors.
- Protocol training through domestic violence council:
  - Supporting better victim interviewing which is trauma informed.
- Connections between Liberty House, law enforcement and child protective services:
  - Liberty House News Magazine, Page 18 attached;
  - Now seeing children the same day;
  - Adding mental health services; and
  - Ensuring response is trauma-informed.
- October is domestic violence awareness month:
  - Developing a plan for "Hands and Words are not for Hurting" pledge.

## **5. Stepping Up: Behavioral Health System Map**

District Attorney Walt Beglau and Marion County Health and Human Services Director Cary Moller presented this item. Summary of [presentation](#):

- Stepping Up Initiative work group met two weeks ago;
  - National initiative designed to provide local supports and restoration for criminal justice involved mental health consumers;
  - Executive Committee established;
  - Working toward keeping mental health consumers out of the criminal justice system, and provide community supports which are appropriate to their needs; and
  - History of collaboration between Sheriff's Office and District Attorney's Office to address individual issues with mental health consumers in the jail.
- Stepping Up Initiative baseline questions:
  - Guidance for executive committee; and
  - National Association of Counties provided white papers and has an assigned staff person:
    - Webinars and technical assistance calls are ongoing.
- Brought stakeholders together to conduct process mapping ([attached](#)):
  - Where does the criminal justice system come into contact with mental health consumers;
  - Helps to identify services and gaps; and
  - Brought in Lean leaders from Oregon Health Authority to facilitate mapping.
- Marion County adopted a proclamation that launched the Stepping Up Initiative;
- Marion County Health and Human Services Resources ([attached](#));
- Connected Initiatives:
  - Opioids:
    - Impact on the community.
  - Pretrial:
    - Work group formed.
  - Aid and Assist (370):
    - Working towards community restoration when appropriate;

- Deputy District Attorney assigned to this population;
  - Ensuring appropriate use of Oregon State Hospital.
- Sobering Center:
  - City working with partners to get up and running; and
  - Funding established.
- Civil Commitment:
  - Subgroup working to map out civil commitment.
- Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion:
  - Kicked off and has first participant.
- May is Mental Health Month:
  - Will reread the proclamation at May 16 board session; and
  - National Association of Counties is having Stepping Up day on May 16.
- Stepping Up Executive Committee is meeting quarterly;

Jail is not an appropriate place for people with mental illness:

- Can even make the person worse.
- Crisis Intervention Training kicked off Monday:
  - Forty hours of training;
  - Hundreds of attendees in our community; and
  - Provides for a better response to mental health issues by first responders.

**ADJOURNED 5:50 PM**