

Justice Reinvestment Local Government Commission



Subject: August 2019 Meeting Minutes

Date: August 12, 2019

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Board members:

In person: Corey Pack (Chair), Herbert Dennis, Major Ross Passman, Randy Martin

By phone: Lt. Dan Lasher, Lt. Timothy Fridman, Jack Kavanagh, Jordan Lysczek, Kris Heiser, LaMonte Cooke, Matthew Barrett, James Proctor

Absent: Sheriff Ronnie Howard, Lt. Richard Wiersberg, Sheriff Jim Dewees, Lt. Peter Wild, Lisa Thayer Welch, Esq, Don Satterfield, Mary Lou McDonough, Ruth Colbourne

The Governor's Office of Crime Control & Prevention: Daniel Atzmon

- **Call to Order at 11:05 by Chairman Pack**
- **Introductions**

Chairman Pack was introduced as the new chairperson for the Local Commission and shared some remarks on the importance of the Commission and its work.

- **Transition Updates**

GOCCP noted that Angelina Guarino has moved onto a new position at DPSCS and that Daniel Atzmon will be assisting with all JRA-related matters.

- **Membership and Mission Review**

GOCCP led a brief review of the mission of the Local Commission and discussed membership, noting a few vacancies. GOCCP will attempt to fill all vacancies and reach out to each board member personally beginning in September. GOCCP and Chairman Pack want to keep the board engaged, active, and in a position to address local needs and concerns.

- **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from previous meeting in February 2019 reviewed. No questions and minutes approved.

- **Previous Action Items**

Local coordination was discussed as a key action item from previous meetings. GOCCP will be reaching out to each jurisdiction's board member to assist and to offer briefings to local Criminal Justice Coordinating Councils or related groups.

- **Program surveys**

GOCCP would like to update local detention center program surveys created in 2018. GOCCP would like to note any new programs, any changes as well as law enforcement programs such as diversion or overdose response efforts. GOCCP hopes this survey can promote sharing between jurisdictions and identification of gaps in services.

- **Performance Incentive Grants**

One key role of the Commission is the identification of performance measures for the local Performance Incentive Grants. The Commission had previously decided to focus the grants in 4 areas: reentry, evidence based practices, specialty courts, and risk/needs assessments.

GOCCP discussed draft measures which included both outputs and outcomes. Measures focused on assessing improvements in an individual's wellbeing through connections to services as well as the effectiveness of programming through recidivism and program violation measures.

Several members discussed concerns around data collection and reporting, especially when they have to report on several different sets of measures for several funding streams without the systems or capacity to accurately track the data. GOCCP noted that they will work closely to support each grantee and that the measures are designed to track information most programs should already be capturing. Chairman Pack inquired about current data collection practices at local programs in Kent and Frederick Counties.

- **Progress Reports**

GOCCP discussed reporting on the Performance Incentive Grants and asked Commission members for their preferences. GOCCP will share grant performance information on a quarterly basis.

- **Future Meeting Topics**

GOCCP and Chairman Pack asked the board for topics they would like addressed. Several options for future meetings included a discussion of the Mediation Report submitted in 2017, a

discussion of the local survey results, presentations by the GOCCP data team on data collection and evaluation, and presentations on related programming from BHA and other agencies.

Chairman Pack noted that he would like to have one additional meeting in 2019, preferably in December.

Meeting adjourned at 12pm.