

2023-2024 Work Plan Discussion Douglas County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

FEBRUARY 14, 2023

Agenda for Today's Meeting

- Background: Where the CJCC has been
- Present: What brings us to today
- Future: What could the CJCC begin to focus on moving forward
- Timeline and Next Steps

Background of CJCC

- CJCC established in March 2016 by resolution of the BOCC
- Previous areas of work:
 - Stepping Up/CIT/Mobile Response
 - Racial and Ethnic Disparities in the Criminal Justice System
 - Building Data Capacity
 - Diversion/Alternatives to Incarceration/Pretrial Release
 - Expanding Services within the DCCF

Present

- CJCC Survey, November 2022
- 127 responses, 10 current or past CJCC members
- Themes to consider from Survey
- Considerations for New Goals:
 - Select a few goals that we can commit to
 - Are actionable and measurable
 - Supported by agency executives
 - A mix of short, mid, and longer term

2023-2024 Work Plan Draft Ideas

Suggested after review of multiple sources of input

Not an exhaustive list of areas where the jurisdiction could implement change

Starting point

Many of the next steps for Douglas County, as discussed and presented by Vera staff in December, are building on the work we have done and are taking our work to a deeper level.

Notes about Presentation of Ideas:

- Justice System Focused Ideas
- Ideas that Reach Beyond the Justice System

Justice System Focused Ideas

1. Institute Regular Jail Review Process

- Ongoing review of population-specific drivers of jail population
- How can we maximize the use of current resources and processes in the absence of BIDS?
- Key Stakeholders: DGSO, Pretrial Services, Municipal and District Court, DA's Office

2. Failure to Appear

- Improve Court Appearance Rates
- Alternative Response to FTA
 - May benefit from process mapping for each Court as a first step
- Key Stakeholders: Municipal and District Courts, Self Help Center

3. Alternative Responses to Probation Violations

- Better understand processes and responses from the 3 agencies (Municipal Court, Court Services, and Community Corrections)
- Key Stakeholders: Municipal Court, Court Services, Community Corrections, DA's Office, District Court

Justice System Focused Ideas, Cont.

4. Competency Restoration

- Need to better understand these processes and impacts on the justice system
- How can we maximize the use of the jail-based restoration program?
- Circle back to CJCC for next steps after further work by Bob Tryanski and Katy Fitzgerald

5. Pretrial Defendants

- Better to consider starting in later summer 2023
- Validate Pretrial Risk Assessment
- Consider Application for Targeted Technical Assistance from APPR

Additional Ideas Beyond the Justice System

6. Align with Existing Community Efforts

- Areas of overlap or shared interest between existing work groups and CJCC-related topics, such as DV, License Restoration, Housing, Community Health Plan
- How can the CJCC meaningfully support these work groups or serve as a conduit for meaningful information sharing?

7. Continued Support for Initiatives at Intersection of Behavioral Health and Criminal Justice

8. Build out Data Reporting to Monitor Program/Service Outcomes and Promote Transparency

- Starting with Crisis System Dashboards as an example
- Identify best practice measures across disciplines
- Track, report, and discuss outcomes on a more regular basis

9. Review Bylaws and Infrastructure of CJCC

Work that is Continuing

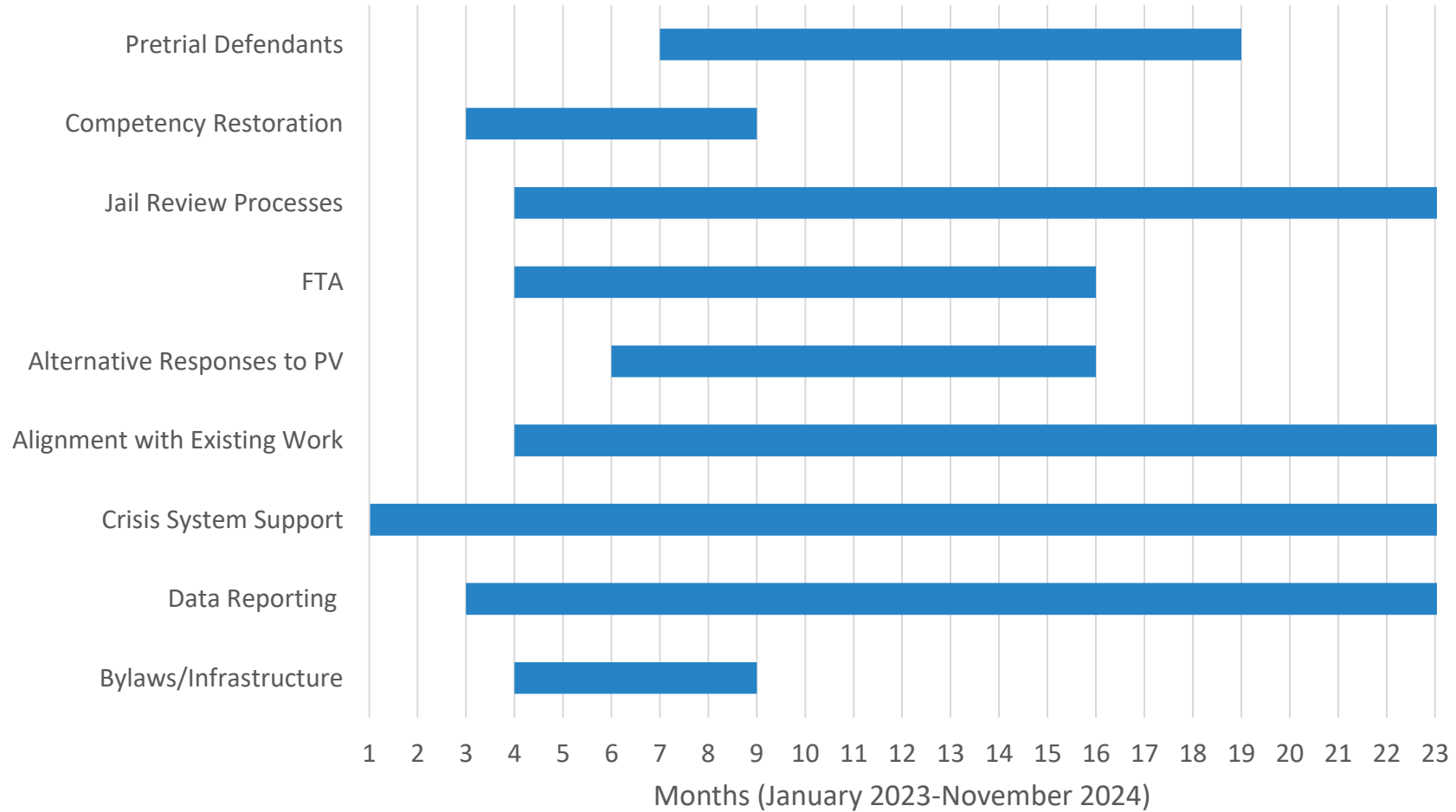
Racial and Ethnic Disparities

- Law Enforcement Contact Study
- How does the CJCC want to continue work in this space?

Evaluating Programs and Services

- Continue with existing program evaluations
- Consider Community Partner and Service Agreements related to the justice system

Suggested/Example Timelines of Work (January 2023-November 2024)



Next Steps

Discussion: Are these suggestions accurate? Are there topics missing or more pressing to consider?

Next CJCC Meeting:

- Availability for March 14
- Finalize workgroup membership and plan for beginning work

Consideration of bi-monthly, in person meetings starting in March