



Agenda
Douglas County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
February 10, 2026
11:00am-12:00pm
Douglas County Commission Room
1100 Massachusetts Street

Welcome and Call to Order

Jessica Glendening,
Chair, Chief Defender, BIDS

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| 1. New Member Introductions | CJCC Members |
| 2. Review and Confirm 2026 Member and Meeting List | Jessica Glendening |
| 3. Review and Approval of December 2025 Minutes | CJCC Members |
| 4. Update on Data Workgroup Restart | Katy Fitzgerald,
<i>Criminal Justice Coordinator</i> |
| 5. First Responders Blue Envelope Program Presentation | Officer Bailey Salsbury,
<i>Lawrence Police Department</i> |
| 6. Future Agenda Items | CJCC Members |
| 7. Open Discussion/Agency Updates | CJCC Members |
| 8. Public Comment | Members of the Public |

Adjourn

Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 14, 2026; 11:00am-12:00pm
Douglas County Commission Room
1100 Massachusetts Street
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CJCC Mission: The Douglas County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council is an advisory board that provides an open, transparent, and collaborative forum for justice system partners, stakeholders, and community members to come together to share information, problem solve, and make evidence-informed recommendations to improve the criminal legal system.

HANDOUTS

- October 2025 Minutes

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 11:05 am, by Jessica Glendening, Chair, Chief Defender, BIDS

Welcome

Agenda Item 1: Approval of the October 2025 Minutes

Discussion: October 2025 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) meeting minutes presented. No corrections were identified. Motion to approve was made by Judge McCabria, seconded by Pam Weigand. October minutes were approved unanimously as presented.

Agenda Item 2: CJCC Logo Review

Discussion: Katy Fitzgerald, Criminal Justice Coordinator, shared that as part of the Strategic Communications Plan development, the workgroup members introduced the idea that the CJCC develops a logo to help with branding. Branding and a logo were important to the workgroup members to highlight the importance of communications and messaging that would come from the CJCC, rather than just the County. Katy presented the draft of a logo developed by the workgroup and shared with the Executive Committee. Discussion mostly focused on whether using the scales of justice was the best visual representation for the Council and the Council's mission. CJCC members shared that the scales may only represent the Courts, which is only one part of the justice system that is represented by the CJCC. Members encouraged looking at other examples of logos of CJCCs, with several members indicating that the logo of the Baton Rouge CJCC may be more in line with their ideas. Council members suggested that the value of the Council that should be communicated is the collaboration of the members, so a visual representation of collaboration would be ideal. Ideas included arrows, points of convergence, infinity symbol, and handshakes. Communications workgroup members Laura McCabe and Karrey Britt were present. Katy will work with the Communications workgroup to revise the logo and bring back for review in a future meeting.

Agenda Item 3: Review and Updates to 2025-2027 Strategic Plan

Discussion: Katy shared that the strategic plan as adopted included an aggressive timeline for completing the systemwide data measures. As a reminder, that strategy focused on performance measures from pretrial, prosecution, and court decision points. Katy shared that while progress has been made on developing those measures, the big challenge is establishing the definitions of the measures within each of the decision points, determining how to calculate the measures within the source systems, defining how the measures are related across the decision points, and establishing a regular pattern of reporting the measures. Initially this work was not done in a formal or traditional workgroup, rather Katy has been working individually with the staff in each decision point; however, she suggested that forming a small working group of the agency staff who are working on these measures may be needed at this point. This structure would provide space for the agencies to share challenges, share ideas about how to capture measures, and would provide additional support in helping the Council advance this strategy. Judge McCabria shared support of that idea and suggested that it may be beneficial for a dedicated Judge to represent the Court, if that is supported by the new Chief District Court Judge. Pam Weigand and Dakota Loomis, representing the other two decision points in this current objective supported forming a workgroup to help make additional progress.

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The Council was reminded that the strategy of developing a Communications Plan has been completed on time, but the remaining two strategies (2 and 3 in the strategic plan) will likely need to be revisited, and dates may need to be adjusted.

Action Items: Katy will reach out to relevant stakeholders to form a workgroup to begin meeting on the data strategy. Katy will provide an update on progress at the February CJCC meeting.

Agenda Item 4: 2026 Member at Large Election

Discussion: Jessica reminded members of the nomination and election process, as well as the members eligible for the Member at Large nomination. Eligible members were Chief Lockhart, Pam Weigand, Lori Alvarado, Dakota Loomis, and Tim Shoulderblade. Lori Alvarado previously confirmed to the CJCC Coordinator that even though she would be absent from this meeting, she would be willing to serve if nominated and elected.

Pam Weigand nominated Lori Alvarado, which was seconded by Chief Lockhart. No other nominations were made.

Lori was elected to serve as the 2026 Member at Large by a unanimous vote of 10 in favor.

Agenda Item 5: Review and Confirm 2026 Meeting Logistics

Discussion: Jessica shared that the Executive Committee wanted to review the 2026 meeting schedule and check whether any changes should be made to the schedule or logistics. Members indicated that the second Tuesday of even-numbered months would still be open, as would the start time of 11 am. The current meetings are scheduled for 90 minutes, but Jessica shared that the Executive Committee noted that most meetings have not lasted more than an hour. Members discussed shortening the meeting from 90 to 60 minutes. If there was an anticipation that the agenda may warrant a longer meeting, the Executive Committee will communicate that to members. Members agreed that if the meetings were shortened to 1 hour, lunch would not be served. Beginning in 2026, meetings will be scheduled from 11-12, and Katy will send meeting invitations for the following dates: Feb 10, April 14, June 9, Aug 11, Oct 13, and Dec 8.

Agenda Item 4: Future Agenda Items

Discussion: None.

Agenda Item 5: Open Discussion/Agency Updates

Discussion: Katy thanked Brad Finkeldei and Judge McCabria for their service on the CJCC, as this is their last meeting. Brad will be rotating off the CJCC due to time constraints of serving as Mayor of the City of Lawrence. Judge McCabria will be rotating off the CJCC due to the completion of his service as the Chief District Court Judge.

Judge McCabria shared that as of January 1, 2026, he will no longer be the Chief District Court Judge, but that Judge Simpson will be taking that role and will be representing the District Court on the CJCC.

Agenda Item 6: Public Comment

Discussion: Kirsten Kuhn asked for live stream on Zoom to be brought back and expressed interest in an update on the data dashboards.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 11:56 am.

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Member Attendance:

Name	Present/Absent
Sheriff Armbrister	Absent
Chief Lockhart	Present
Judge McCabria	Present
Judge Kopecky	Absent
DA Loomis	Present
Jessica Glendening	Present
Pam Weigand	Present
Susan Benkelman	Present
Dr. Kirsten Watkins	Present
Lori Alvarado	Absent
Shannon Reid	Present
Brad Finkeldei	Present
Doris Ricks	Absent
Tim Shoulderblade	Present

Others in Attendance:

Name	Agency
Karrey Britt	Douglas County
Laura McCabe	Lawrence Police Department

Douglas County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) 2026 Membership List:

Discipline	Member, Position
Law Enforcement (2)	Jay Armbrister, <i>Sheriff, Douglas County</i> Rich Lockhart, <i>Chief, Lawrence Police</i>
Courts (2)	Hon. Mark Simpson, <i>Chief District Court Judge</i> Hon. Christopher Kopecky, <i>Judge, Lawrence Municipal Court</i>
Prosecution (1)	Dakota Loomis, <i>District Attorney, Douglas County</i>
Defense Counsel (1)	Jessica Glendening, <i>Chief Defender, Board of Indigents' Defense Services, Douglas County</i>
Community Supervision Services (2)	Pam Weigand, <i>Director, Criminal Justice Services Department</i> Susan Benkelman, <i>Chief Court Services Officer</i>
Community Treatment Providers (2)	Dr. Kirsten Watkins, <i>Interim CEO, Bert Nash Center</i> Lori Alvarado, <i>CEO, DCCCA</i>
Representative Members (5)	
Board of County Commissioners (1)	Erica Anderson
City of Lawrence Commissioners (1)	Amber Sellers
Community Member at Large (1)	Doris Ricks, 1 st Term (2/1/2025-1/31/2027)
Impacted Individuals (2)	Tim Shoulderblade, 1 st Term (2/1/2025-1/31/2027) Vacant, 1 st Term (2/1/2025-1/31/2027)

2026 CJCC Executive Committee:

Chair	Jessica Glendening, 1 st Term: 1/1/2025 - 12/31/2026
Vice Chair	Susan Benkelman, 1 st Term: 1/1/2025 - 12/31/2026
Member at Large	Lori Alvarado, 1 st Term: 1/1/2026 - 12/31/2026

2026 CJCC Meetings:

Date and Time	Location
February 10, 2026, 11am	Commission Chambers
April 14, 2026, 11am	Commission Chambers
June 9, 2026, 11am	Commission Chambers
August 11, 2026, 11am	Commission Chambers
October 13, 2026, 11am	Commission Chambers
December 8, 2026, 11am	Commission Chambers

Commission Chambers: 2nd Floor of Historic Courthouse, 1100 Massachusetts Street,
Lawrence, KS 66044

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