



**Local Public Safety Coordinating Council**  
**Sheriff Angela Brandenburg, Chair**  
**Director Chris Chandler, Vice-Chair**

## **Local Public Safety Coordinating Council Meeting**

March 11th, 2025

12:00 – 1:30 pm

Development Services Building, Rm 119/120, 150 Beavercreek Road, Oregon City, OR 97045

**Members present:** Chris Chandler, Mary Rumbaugh, Adam Freer, District Attorney John Wentworth, Chief Shaun Davis, Christina McMahan, Cara Hash, Bruce Tarbox, Judge Thanh H. Tran, Eric Barrera.

**Guests present:** Elizabeth White, Bill Stewart, Meggie Kirchner, Alice Perry, Lawrence White, Edgar Cuellar-Rubio, Ximena Ospina-Todd Priscilla A. Goss, Jennifer Rees, Paula McDonald.

### **Welcome/Introductions**

- Vice-Chair Chris Chandler welcomed members and invited guests. Chair Sheriff Angela Brandenburg was unable to attend, so the vice-chair led the meeting.

### **Consent Agenda –Approval of minutes from February 6th, 2025**

- The first order of business was to approve the minutes from the previous meeting held on February 6, 2025. The minutes had been distributed in advance and were also available in print at the meeting. No corrections were noted, and the minutes were approved as distributed.

### **Action Item –Discussion and approval of the 2023-25 Clackamas County Juvenile Crime Prevention Plan (JCP)**

- The discussion moved to the Clackamas County Juvenile Crime Prevention Plan for 2025-2027. Christina McMahan introduced Lawrence White from Youth Development Oregon, explaining that his role includes providing technical assistance and reviewing juvenile crime prevention plans across the state. Lawrence spoke about his work supporting counties and the importance of prevention efforts.
- Christina introduced additional speakers, including representatives from the Latino Network—Ximena Ospina-Todd and Edgar Cuellar-Rubio—as well as Assistant Juvenile Department Director Alice Perry.
- Presenters described the RICH Diversion Program, which stands for Restoring Individuals, Communities, and Hope. The program is a collaboration between the Clackamas County Juvenile Department and Latino Network, aiming to provide restorative justice-based diversion services for youth involved in low-level offenses. The program staff includes case managers and leadership from Latino Network, who receive training in restorative practices, risk assessment, and juvenile justice interventions.
- Presenters noted the importance of meeting families where they are, understanding their challenges, and providing resources to support both youth and their families. The program prioritizes victim involvement, allowing those affected by offenses to participate in determining how harm is repaired. Family engagement is another core component, ensuring that youth have a support system to guide them through the program.
- The diversion agreements include accountability measures tailored to individual needs. These can include restitution, community service, and participation in educational or mentorship programs. A key goal of the program is to connect youth with relevant and timely services, ensuring they receive necessary support for long-term success.

- A visual representation of the program's approach was shared, including a family engagement model that identifies key support systems for each youth participant. The program also incorporates the SBIRT (Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment) model, using an interactive tool called "Check Yourself" to assess risk factors and strengths.
- The presentation included a review of program outcomes. Data was presented showing that the recidivism rate for program participants in 2023 was 8.3%, compared to the general juvenile justice population. The success rate was high, with 85% of referred youth engaging in the program and 70% completing it successfully.
- A success story was shared about a youth who was supported in returning to his education. His case demonstrated how the program helps youth recognize opportunities and make positive changes.
- Chief Shaun Davis inquired about the program's recidivism rate. Christina explained that recidivism is measured 12 months after a youth completes the program, with the current rate at 8.3% for 2023. She described eligibility criteria, clarifying that it is intended for youth involved in minor offenses such as misdemeanor harassment or possession of alcohol or marijuana. Some exceptions are made on a case-by-case basis in consultation with the District Attorney's Office.
- Vice-Chair Chandler requested a motion to approve the Clackamas County 2025-2027 Juvenile Crime Prevention Plan. Adam Freer motioned to approve, and Bruce Tarbox seconded the motion. With no objections, the vote was unanimous.

#### **Action Item –Discussion and Approval of Grant Applications for Oregon Criminal Justice Commission Specialty Court Grant Program**

- Vice-Chair Chandler introduced next agenda item: discussion and approval of an application for the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission's Special Report Grant Program. Representatives from the Clackamas County Treatment Court Program, Priscilla Goss and Jennifer Rees, presented an overview of the grant proposal.
- Speakers discussed the funding request for Clackamas County's treatment courts through a grant from the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (CJC). The grant would support three specialty courts: Mental Health Court, Drug Court, and DUI Court (Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants). These courts serve high-risk, high-need individuals by integrating treatment services with court supervision.
- The grant application focuses on supporting three specialty courts in Clackamas County:
  - Mental Health Court, which serves individuals with severe mental illnesses and aims to divert them from the traditional criminal justice system.
  - Adult Drug Court, which works with individuals struggling with substance use disorders to provide treatment-based alternatives to incarceration.
  - DUI Court, which targets individuals with multiple DUI offenses and provides structured intervention to prevent reoffending.
- The presenters explained that each of these programs operates as a collaboration between multiple agencies, including judges, defense attorneys, prosecutors, probation officers, and treatment providers. The goal of the grant is to enhance risk assessment tools, improve data collection and reporting, and expand bilingual services for court participants.
- Speakers discussed statewide efforts to improve risk assessment tools and data tracking for specialty courts. The proposed grant would fund additional staffing, including a bilingual drug treatment specialist, and enhance data collection efforts to measure program effectiveness.

- Jen reviewed the grant budget, which prioritizes client services, treatment supports, and housing assistance. The team emphasized the importance of ongoing collaboration between treatment providers, the court system, and community partners to ensure long-term success for program participants. The success of the current specialty courts in reducing recidivism and improving participant outcomes was highlighted. The grant would fund additional case managers, treatment specialists, and support services to address gaps in the existing system.
- Vice-Chair Chandler requested a motion to approve the grant application for submission. Mary Rumbaugh motioned to approve, and Christina McMahan seconded the motion. With no objections, the vote was unanimous.

#### **Update: Clackamas County's Deflection Program**

- Bill Stewart discussed the implementation of the deflection program, which provides different levels of intervention for individuals facing drug possession charges: deflection (pre-charge diversion), conditional discharge (post-charge diversion), formal probation, and revocation. The program focuses on connecting individuals to treatment and supportive services.
- Since the program began in September, 58 cases have been eligible for deflection, with 18 individuals enrolling. Bill noted challenges in tracking and connecting individuals due to gaps in law enforcement data. Program successes were also discussed. Among those who entered deflection, 53% were considered substantially engaged in treatment.
- For conditional discharge, 152 offers have been made, with 71 individuals enrolling. The program is facilitated through Impact Court, which meets twice a month and has a 42% engagement rate.
- Bill noted substantial law enforcement engagement, treatment provider collaboration, and the involvement of defense attorneys, who have played an important role in the program's success.

#### **Update: Restorative Justice Grant**

- Adam Freer outlined the progress of the Restorative Justice Planning Grant, which began in January. He discussed opportunities to expand Restorative Justice in both juvenile and adult systems, noting expansion efforts require deliberate planning and collaboration.
- Adam highlighted the role of Resolution Services, which was previously a separate department but is now part of the Health & Human Services Department. Also, he discussed how their expertise in mediation and facilitating difficult conversations supports implementation of Restorative Justice Initiatives. Adam distributed a handout and encouraged broader participation by public safety partners.
- The vice-chair shared insights from early discussions on integrating restorative justice within post-adjudication settings, particularly within parole and probation. Unlike pre-adjudication cases, post-adjudication cases rely on judicial discretion, limiting flexibility. The discussion also addressed concerns about applying Restorative Justice to cases involving sexual offenses or domestic violence, due to victim considerations.

#### **Discussion: LPSCC Business**

- Elizabeth White was recognized for her five years of service as the LPSCC Coordinator. Several members expressed gratitude for her leadership and support of past and present chairs and vice chairs. Paula McDonald from the Sheriff's Office Probation Department will assume coordination duties, while Elizabeth will remain involved in related efforts, particularly in substance use prevention and the deflection program.
- Vice-Chair Chandler noted that future meetings will follow a more consistent schedule, with a Doodle poll planned to determine availability. Upcoming agenda items include:

- STOP data presentation from the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST).
- A request from Oregon Health Authority to present on the 1115 Medicaid waiver for pre-release healthcare services (Reentry Healthcare Program initiative).
- Review of LPSCC bylaws and membership vacancies, as amending the bylaws currently requires full attendance, which has been challenging.
- Finalize and Submit the Criminal Justice Commission Special Report Grant Application.
- Review and approval of Community Corrections request to apply for CJC funding.
- Additionally, there was a discussion about filling open LPSCC positions, including finding a replacement for Bruce Tarbox, who is transitioning out of his role. Also, a replacement for the Behavioral Health Director position, which is also in transition.

#### **Public Comment**

- No members of the public present.