

Public Safety Coordinating Council

July 16, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Council Members (or designee) in Attendance:

Asst. Sheriff Brice Google	Leon County Sheriff's Office
Michael MacNamara	Public Defender's Office
Brylan Jacobs	Florida Department of Corrections
Owen McCaul	State Attorney's Office
Anne Meisenzahl	Big Bend AFTER Reentry Coalition
Nancy O'Farrell	NAMI Tallahassee
Rebecca Kelly-Manders	ReFire Culinary
Teresa Broxton	Office of Intervention and Detention Alternatives

Council Members Not in Attendance:

Commissioner Bill Proctor	County Commission
Judge Augustus Aikens	Judiciary
Kelli Mercer	HCA Healthcare (Behavioral Health)

Also in attendance:

Chief Mack	Leon County Sheriff's Office
Bradley Janowski	Leon County Sheriff's Office (Reentry & Inmate Programs)
Johnathan Godwin	WAAWN
Kimberly Holland	Office of Intervention and Detention Alternatives

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM

Issues Discussed

I. Approval of the May 21, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Brylan Jacobs moved to approve the minutes from the May 21, 2024, meeting; seconded by Chief Norman Mack.

The motion passed unanimously.

II. Leon County Detention Facility Population Updates and Discussion - Asst. Sheriff Brice Google, Leon County Sheriff's Office

Chief Mack presented the Leon County Detention Facility (LCDF) Status Report for 7/15/2024 (Attachment #1). He reported that the LCDF population was 931 as of 7/15/2024, which has been under 900 for the past six months. He stated the uptick is mostly due to the summer months.

III. FY 2023/2024 Funding Recommendation – Teresa Broxton, Director, OIDA

Ms. Broxton explained that the PSCC Workgroup has developed the plan for the FY 2023/2024 funding recommendation. She expressed appreciation to the Public Defender's Office, State Attorney's Office, Sheriff's Office, and DOC for their contributions to the process. The recommendation is to provide funding for housing assistance to homeless individuals being released or recently released from the Leon County Detention Facility. The proposed title for the program is the Reentry Housing Assistance (RHA) Program and the Council was provided a summary of program specifics (Attachment #2). The program was developed with the following eligibility criteria:

1. Must be post-sentence or, if pre-sentence, must have a stipulated agreement that does not include jail/prison sentence.
2. Must be released from the LCDF within previous 30 days.
3. Must have two (2) or more arrests in the prior 24 months.
4. Must participate in case management services through the Reentry Innovative Services and Empowerment (RISE) Center.
5. Must have a valid rental agreement in the participant's name.
6. Agreement with eligible transitional housing provider (*only in instances when payment is required in advance to secure bed space*).

Program participants are eligible for a maximum of \$4,000 to assist them in securing a transitional housing placement or a rental agreement, and associated ancillary costs associated such as security deposit, utility services deposits or outstanding balances for account reactivation.

Ms. Broxton shared that a secondary goal of the program is to serve as a bridge to increase utilization of the Landlord Risk Mitigation Program. She shared the RISE Center staff will be able

to educate landlords who approve rental agreements with participants on the availability and benefits of the Landlord Risk Mitigation Program.

The RISE Center staff will also be working with the Big Bend Continuum of Care and the Leon County Human Services and Community Partnerships for assistance in identifying housing solutions for participants.

Mr. Jacobs inquired about the metrics for the program and the duration of tracking participants for outcomes. After discussion, the Council determined the participants would be tracked for one year on the following metrics: 1) if they remained housed 2) if they have recidivated.

After discussion, Rebecca Kelly-Manders motioned to approve the funding recommendation for presentation to the Leon County Board of County Commissioners at the September 17, 2024, meeting. Mr. Jacobs seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

- IV. Memorandum of Agreement Between the United States of America and the Florida State Attorney's Office, Second Judicial Circuit Department of Justice Number 171-17-39 – Commissioner Proctor Michael MacNamara motioned and Rebecca Kelly-Manders seconded to table this discussion item to the September meeting.

The motion passed unanimously.

- V. Court Administration Reports – Ina Hawkins, Detention Review Coordinator
In Ms. Hawkins absence, Ms. Broxton presented the report for the Veterans Treatment Court, Misdemeanor Mental Health Docket, and Felony Drug Court (Attachment #3).
- VI. Electronic Monitoring Report – Kimberly Holland, Coordinator, OIDA
Ms. Holland presented the Electronic Monitoring Program Report for June 2024 (Attachment #4).
- VII. Other Business:
Vice Chair McCaul announced the meeting date for September was changed to the 10th due to a conflict with the Board of County Commissioners' meeting.

Vice Chair McCaul announced that Royle King, the Director for the Status on the Council of Men and Boys will be at the September 10th meeting for a presentation on program's activities.

Next Meeting: September 10, 2024

4:00 PM

Commission Chambers, 5th Floor, Leon County Courthouse