

Good morning,

Here are the April updates from the CJCC Department. Please let us know your thoughts and/or if you have any recommendations for content.

1. Mobile Crisis Team Update:

- a. Mobile Crisis Stakeholders, including MESI, Missoula Fire, the Poverello, NAMI, Missoula Police Department, Missoula Sheriff's Department, and other city and county staff are gearing up to apply for the DPHHS Mobile Crisis Grant.
- b. Grant is a re-release of one from last fall through MT DPHHS.
- c. Was due out April 1, 2020 but has been delayed because of COVID-19.
- d. Currently a mission statement and program framework are in development.

2. Montana SAMSA Grant Application:

- a. The State of Montana has applied for a SAMSA grant that will provide the following:
 - i. Additional funding to the nine MT counties that received funds through the County Tribal Matching Grant (Missoula County is eligible).
 - ii. It is expected to be \$135,000 that can be used on mobile crisis (And other MH related activities) but also requires the following spending allotments:
 1. 70% must be used to assist those in severe mental health crisis;
 2. 20% must be used to assist those with mental health crisis but not severe; and
 3. 10% must be used to assist mental health providers affected by COVID-19.
 - iii. Distribution of grants funds is expected in May.

3. Pretrial Supervision/Incarceration Research Project:

- a. As a result of the CJCC Strategic Planning process, the Commissioners will be conducting a "research project" within the pretrial space.
- b. There is no predetermined objective, but rather the focus will be on finding out what our community needs and wants in this space.
- c. A Steering Committee is being organized currently and will provide oversight for the project.
- d. A national consultant will be hired from the National Institute of Corrections to conduct the research and provide recommendations.
- e. This project falls in line with the mission of the CJCC which is:

The principal mission of the CJCC is to use a data-driven approach to study Missoula County's adult and juvenile criminal justice system; identify challenges; raise public awareness; consolidate efforts; and formulate

policy, plans and programs to improve the system. The CJCC is committed to the coordinated planning of innovative corrections programs that reflect the County's desire for safety and cost effectiveness, which includes assessing successes and shortcomings.

4. [Jail data dashboard has been updated through the month of March](#)

- a. [Click here to see dashboard](#)

5. [General Strategies Update:](#)

- a. In receiving the grant from the MacArthur Foundation in November of 2018, a gap analysis was conducted on our criminal justice system resulting in the identification of five key strategies*.
- b. Work has been ticking along on all of the strategies- the following is a very high level overview of completion (please let me know if you would like more detail):
- i. **Strategy One - Develop Case Processing Efficiencies**
 1. **Initiative One:** Implement a Differentiated Case Management Plan (DCM) – **Nearly Complete, expected completion by summer 2020**
 2. **Initiative Two:** Create a Jail Review Work Group – **Complete/ Meeting Weekly**
 3. **Initiative Three:** Reduce time from preliminary hearing to arraignment – **In progress**
 4. **Initiative Four:** Reduce time for assignment of defense counsel – **Complete with monitoring in place**
 - ii. **Strategy Two - Implement front-end jail diversion with prosecution – Complete / active participants in program run through County Attorney's office, program monitoring measures are in place**
 - iii. **Strategy Three - Increase use of Public Safety Assessment (PSA) tool – Complete but with ongoing improvements both locally and with the OCA**
 - iv. **Strategy Four - Provide outreach and education about indigenous cultures and racial disparities**
 1. **Initiative One:** Continue cultural programming in Missoula County Detention Facility (MCDF) – **Restarting**, Ivan MacDonald took another position within MUIHC and we will be rehiring for the position with implementation starting when it's safe for this person to go back into the jail. **Best wishes Ivan and thank you for your work!**
 2. **Initiative Two:** Offer trauma-informed training to participating agencies -**Ongoing** work with law enforcement, hopeful rollout Autumn 2020

3. **Initiative Three:** Offer implicit bias training for local law enforcement - **Ongoing** work with law enforcement, hopeful rollout Autumn 2020

v. Strategy Five - Implement Sequential Intercept Mapping Recommendations*

1. Establish standardized metrics and data sharing across agencies to improve data-informed decision-making - **Progressing**
2. Increase continuity of health care between the emergency room and jail- **Progressing**
3. Homeless and housing intervention strategies - **Progressing**
4. Create a comprehensive behavioural health screening strategy: Improve population screening and identification - **Progressing**
5. Improve intensity and availability of care: develop a coordinated crisis and crisis service delivery continuum- **Progressing**

6. Law and Justice Interim Committee

- a. The CJCC Department submitted a Position Statement regarding the PSA when the committee met a few weeks ago. Please let us know if you'd like to see it.
- b. The Committee is meeting again in a May. You can submit comments and we'll keep you in the loop about where, when, and how.

7. No CJCC meeting this month due to COVID

- a. The CJCC Policy Advisory group meets every other month and is meant to meet this month.
- b. We will not be doing so due to COVID.
- c. The CJCC Executive Team met last week to collaborate and identify challenges and solutions related to COVID-19 going forward.
- d. Next meeting will be in June.