

The following is the May CJCC Digest. There are a few attachments that are optional/additional reading, but not necessary. Please read below for quick updates on various topics related to our work in the criminal justice system. Please feel free to share with anyone whom you think might be interested in this information.

1. Mobile Crisis Grant Update

- a. Grant is scheduled for release June 1, 2020 of which we are well poised to apply.
- b. Time frame has been reduced due to late release and will be for a ten-month contract beginning on September 1st, 2020 and ending on June 30th, 2021.
- c. Again, the model being used will be the [CAHOOTS](#) model
 - i. Mobile Crisis Team will be made up of a Mental Health Professional and a Paramedic.
 - ii. A third team member will be a peer support specialist and/or case manager who will follow up with individuals who received services from the Mobile Crisis Team.
 - iii. The Mobile Crisis Team will be dispatched through 911, where operators will assess whether to send the Mobile Crisis Team and/or other relevant service providers.

2. PPE Providers

- a. **Cloth Masks:**
 - i. Last Best Supply Company
 1. Has multiple styles including plastic face shields
 2. <http://www.lastbestsupply.com/ppe.aspx>
 3. Phone: 406.531.6602
 - ii. Recreate Designs
 1. Multiple cloth styles and bulk ordering discounts
 2. <https://www.recreatedesigns.com/pages/covid-19-mask-making-mission#>
 3. Phone: 406.214.9078
 - iii. Some stakeholders have had recent success ordering from [Amazon](#)
 1. Right now, disposable masks are available for a very quick delivery using Prime.
- b. **Hand Sanitizer**
 - i. Montana breweries making hand sanitizer for local service providers: [Click here.](#)

3. Jail Data Dashboard Updated

- a. The Jail Data Dashboard is updated once a month, at the beginning of the month.
- b. The dashboard is static as data used for the dashboard is only collected once per month, for the whole month.
- c. [Here is a link to the dashboard](#)
- d. Please let us know if you have any comments, questions, or suggestions.

4. COVID-19 Criminal Justice Agency and Executive Order Responses:

- a. Our department has compiled an up to date list of responses within the local and state criminal justice system.
- b. Please feel free to send us yours if you'd like it posted or don't see an updated version of yours.

- c. [Here is a link](#)

5. Calibrate Program Manual

- a. The Calibrate Program is a prosecution lead diversion program housed within the County Attorney's Office.
- b. The MacArthur Foundation's Safety and Justice Challenge grant is paying for the program coordinator, Ray Reiser, which is about 8 months into a 24-month grant period.
- c. The manual has been attached to this email and outlines how the programs works.
- d. The Safety and Justice Challenge wanted to sponsor this program as it is seen as an effective way to safely reduce jail populations while focusing on community and victim safety.
- e. Please reach out to Kirsten Pabst with any questions you might have about the program.

6. CJCC Executive Team Meeting Outcomes

- i. The CJCC Executive Team met, virtually, on May 4th, 2020
- ii. Discussion topics included:
 - 1. Planning for the backlog of court cases and warrants when courts start opening back up.
 - 2. Updates on PPE supply needs and resources
 - 3. Each department/agency's COVID reopening plan, which are largely dependent on our local Health Department directives
 - 4. What policy and procedural changes, in response to COVID-19, have been working and may be considered for keeping in place after COVID-19
- iii. Next meeting will take place before the end of May.

7. Department/Agency Highlight:

- a. This is a new feature of the Digest that will feature an agency or department each month. A representative from each agency/department will answer the same set of questions as follows:
 - i. What is the focus of your agency?
 - ii. What is the biggest misconception about your agency?
 - iii. How can our community support you?

- b. This month, the Office of the Public Defender has agreed to be the first agency to participate. Here are their responses:
 - i. What is the focus of your agency?

The focus of our agency is always our clients. It is our duty to ensure the constitution is upheld and that individual constitutional rights are not violated. We strive for a more fair and balanced judicial system by providing effective representation which is not dependent on the amount of money a person has. When we defend the constitutional rights of one client, we are defending the constitutional rights of everyone.

- ii. What is the biggest misconception about your agency?

One of the biggest misconceptions about our agency is that we represent "bad guys." Unfortunately, many people find themselves involved in the criminal justice

system for a variety of reasons. Some are struggling with severe mental health issues or addiction and have made mistakes as a result of their illness. Others are falsely accused, and innocent of the crime charged. Collectively, they are all members of our community and do not deserve to be judged solely by one event or allegation.

iii. How can our community support you?

The best way our community can support the Public Defender's Office is by getting more involved. Missoula needs to be more aware of what is occurring in their criminal justice community. Attend court proceedings and see what is happening firsthand rather than relying solely on media accounts. If there are issues that concern you or your community be sure to make your voice heard.

8. General updates:

- a. Name change: All Nations Health Center
 - i. The Missoula Urban Indian Health Center has changed their name to All Nations Health Center
 - ii. Please see attached flyer for more information
- b. Opening of urgent mental health crisis care center:
 - i. WMMHC has opened an urgent mental health care crisis center.
 - ii. It is open M-F, from 9-5
 - iii. Dakota House is still open in addition to this urgent care center. Please call 406.532.8949 to reach the Dakota House
 - iv. Please see attached flyer for more information