MINUTES CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

Clark County

Department of Juvenile Justice Services
Director's Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101
December 7, 2016 at 9:00am to 11:00am

Advisory Members Present: David Doyle, Robert Henry, Tiffany Tyler, Leisa Moseley, Lisa Morris-Hibbler, Josephine Bonomo, Ricardo Villalobos, and Anthony York

Advisory Members Absent: Dominika Washington (excused), Charla Vieira, and Kelli Kristo

Ex-officio Member: John M. Martin

Attendees: Steve Morris and Shannon Freire

I. Call to Order – 9:05am

II. Public Comments - NA

III. Approval of November 2, 2016 Minutes

a. Approved.

IV. Approval of Agenda

a. Approved.

V. Receive the Director's Report on the Activities of the Department of Juvenile Justice Services (DJJS – Mr. Martin attended the 2016 National DMC Conference in Baltimore. The focus of the 3 day conference was "Confronting the Crisis: Creating Pathways to a More Equitable Juvenile Justice System." There were excellent keynote speakers as well as intense workshops. Mr. Martin was also able to visit probation sites, a school in North Philadelphia, and met with the Chief of Philadelphia School Police, who has been recognized nationally for the reduction of disproportionality within his agency. Mr. Martin shared how inspiring the trip was and DMC strategies he will look into for our agency.

a. Budget/Personnel Update

- i. Mr. Martin is keeping focus on expanding professional and healthcare services, a second ERC and finding a new location for Eastside probation. He would also like to add vocational components and clinical service resources to our DJJS sites.
- **ii.** Our eligibility specialist, Nicole Lopez, continues to explore our current practices to identify if we are using Medicaid appropriately and creating processes to off-set costs that should be covered by Medicaid.

b. Legislature

i. Mr. Martin visited Carson City at the end of November for the third meeting of the state-wide Juvenile Justice Improvement Initiative (SJJII) task force. Draft Legislation is being discussed regarding the

- use of a standardized state-wide assessment tool when youth enter the system.
- **ii.** Caseload Pro will be the juvenile probation software system used state-wide. DJJS goes live with Caseload Pro February 5, 2017.
- **iii.** Assistant Director Patrick Schreiber hosted a tour for 22 Nevada assemblymen and senators starting in our detention facility and ending in the Harbor. He received great feedback.
- iv. DJJS will again ask for funding for gender specific programming.
- **c. Juvenile Detention Reform** Judicial overrides and violations of probation continue to drop.

d. Juvenile Justice Programming

i. Probation Intake will begin using the Risk Assessment tool in 2017.

e. The Harbor Update (formerly known as the Juvenile Assessment Center)

- i. The Harbor continues to service families as a diversion from the juvenile justice system. Harbor employees are successfully scheduling meetings with youth and their family from citations received at intake. This way the youth and family never step foot into the Court house.
- **ii.** DJJS is hoping to get permanent or one time funding for the Harbor from the upcoming legislative session.

VI. CAC Strategic Goals for 2016-17

a. The Harbor and Reducing Disproportionality – The group again discussed the DMC conference that DJJS is sponsoring in January 2017. There will be impact panels, tours, national expert speakers, etc.

b. Mental Health and Crisis Intervention

- i. Our clinical services team identified a gap between Medicaid eligibility and billing. They plan to reorganize mental health in order to streamline youth through our system quicker and more efficiently if they must enter our system.
- **ii.** There are still 6 vacancies within Clinical Services that need to be filled.
- **c. Gender Specific Programming** Update in Director's report.
- **d.** Training and Quality Assurance We are setting up a training team that will consist of a supervisor and probation officers. This will assist in developing leaders, finding passions, drilling core issues, etc. within DJJS.
- **e.** Expanding Resources for juvenile justice clients exiting the system The committee discussed youth aging out and entering the adult Court system due to lack of resources as a juvenile. A better relationship with DFS would be helpful.

VII. Informational Items

a. Announcements

- i. Next meeting is January 4, 2017 at 9:00 a.m., Director's Office Conference Room, 601 N. Pecos Road, Las Vegas, NV 89101
- **ii.** DJJS will be hosting a "Dismantling the School to Prison Pipeline Conference" on January 13, 2017 from 8am-4pm. Discussions will

- include disproportionate minority contact, legislation, etc. Formal invites will be sent.
- iii. Lisa Morris-Hibbler asked the group to call if anyone is able to donate rugs, paintings, items for a kids' corner, etc. to the Harbor before the conference January 2017. We are also in need of a painter for murals. Please contact Lisa if you are able to assist. You can call the Director's office for her contact information.
- b. Other information that may be of interest to the Committee and the public $-\,\mathrm{NA}$
- c. Identify emerging issues to be addressed by the Committee at future meetings $\ensuremath{\mathrm{N}}\ensuremath{\mathrm{A}}$
- **VIII. Public Comments**
- **VIII. Adjournment** 10:12am