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*Local Public Safety
Coordinating Council*

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Today's briefing will:

- Review the Safety + Justice Challenge (SJC)
- Describe current MultCo SJC strategies
- Q&A

A stylized illustration of a jail cell. The cell is defined by vertical bars. In the center, there is a door with a horizontal bar across its top and bottom. To the left of the door, there is a small window with vertical bars. The background is a light gray, and the floor is a darker gray. The text is centered within the cell.

*An initiative to reduce
overincarceration by changing
the way America thinks
about and uses jails*

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation:

- \$100 million investment



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2015:

- 191 jurisdictions applied
- 20 accepted into the SJC with \$150,000 planning grant

2016:

- 11 of 20 jurisdictions received large awards
- 9 received additional small (\$150,000) planning grants (MultCo)
- 20 sites selected as “innovation sites” -- small grants

2017:

- Above 9 sites applied for \$1M each per year for two years (possibly up to 5)
- Grants awarded in late September/early October, 2017

SJC // About the Safety + Justice Challenge



Reduce the time it takes to adjudicate a probation violation:

- Increase number of hearings at the Justice Center
- Create and implement additional release policies
- Timeline: complete June 2018



Average daily population (ADP) reduction: 17 beds

Release to treatment:

- Begin discharge/release/transition planning upon admission to jail
- Increase forensically-responsive treatment in the community
- Key stakeholders: MCSO, DCJ, MCHD
- Timeline: complete December 2019

ADP reduction: 7 beds

Decrease Jail Use by Inmates Booked on Interfering with Public Transportation (IPT) Charges



- Reduce the number of overall misdemeanor IPT charges filed from an average of 500-600 per year to 100-125
- Individuals who use the transportation system without paying will not spend time in jail
- Timeline: policy implemented

ADP reduction: 1 bed

Decrease DCJ Sanction Length

- Decrease average jail sanctions from 10 to 7 days
- Reduce disparities for African American males receiving a sanction
- Timeline: Completed April 2017

**ADP reduction:
35 beds**



Increase Use of Cite and Release

- A. Partner with Cascadia Walk-in Clinic to expand law enforcement drop-off
 - a. Target population: individuals with MH challenges arrested for some misdemeanors
 - b. Pilot for Portland Police Bureau
- B. Expand Cite in Lieu of booking for some misdemeanor charges
 - a. Explore field-based risk assessment
 - b. Expedite time to arraignment
- C. Timeline: complete October 2018



ADP reduction: 2 beds

Move Bench Probationers to DCJ

- Assign new would-be bench probationers to DCJ
- Pilot funded \$250K FY18
- Timeline: July 2018

ADP reduction: 42 beds



Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)

- Pre-booking diversion program allows police to redirect low-level drug offenders to services
- Contracted with Central City Concern
- Timeline: Launched February 2017.

ADP reduction: 1 bed



Decrease Jail Stays for Inmates held by Pretrial Policy Holds (Presiding Judge Order)

- Implement Domestic Violence-specific risk assessment instrument
- Incorporate victim voice
- Establish DV-specific pretrial release supervision
- Timeline: planning through December 2019

ADP reduction: 5 beds

Decrease Jail Use by Inmates Arrested on Drug Charges (Treatment First Program)

- Alternative case processing for drug possession
- Assesses offenders and matches services/supervision to risk/need
- May result in dismissal
- Timeline: Through April 2018



ADP reduction: 15 beds

Establish Best Practice for Judges: Sanction Length and Frequency

- Wide variation in sanction frequency and length among judges for similar offenses
- Develop and implement judicial training on sanctioning best practices (community supervision research)
- Timeline: December 2018

ADP reduction: 20 beds



Decrease Jail Stays for Misdemeanants Undergoing Aid and Assist Evaluation

- Launch Aid & Assist competency docket
- Complete rapid assessments in-custody rather than send defendants to Oregon State Hospital
- Timeline: complete March 2018

ADP reduction: 3 beds



Creation of a Mental Health Alternative shelter placement and services for women

- Program for justice-involved women (with a focus on women of color) with mental health challenges
- Offering culturally/gender-specific as well as trauma-informed residential and day programming
- Funded by MacArthur Foundation, if awarded
- Timeline: planning would begin Winter, 2017

ADP reduction: 16 beds

All strategies submitted to MacArthur

- If implemented, could result in new average ADP of 956 (not including contract beds).
- 14.5% reduction
- LPSCC Jail Workgroup and SJC Policy Teams:
 - Continue collaborative work
 - Narrow in on those who should be in jail
 - Push for creative solutions for those who can safely be in the community

October 10-12 all-sites meeting in New Orleans



Questions?