

REINVESTMENT 2010 IMPLEMENTATION GRANT CJMHTSA PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 15, 2012 MCSO Headquarters Conference Room

ATTENDANCE

CJMHTSA Planning Council Members/Alternates:

Tommy Taylor	Jane Isherwood	Sherry Read
Karen Knight	Christine Cianci	Tommy Terpening
Sandy Pearce	Joe Laino	Nadine Hood
Sylvia Murphy	Rosemary Enright	Steve Torrence
Manny Madruga	Bob Audette	A B Maloy

Staff: MCSO CJMHTSA Diversion Program Director Edie Hambright
Monroe County Grants Manager Lisa Tennyson

Minutes prepared by: Carol Peterson

CALL TO ORDER

CJMHTSA Planning Council meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Tommy Taylor.

WELCOME and INTRODUCTION

Self-introductions were made around the room.

MINUTES

The minutes of February 16, 2012 were approved as issued.

PROGRAM REPORT from Director Edie Hambright

Another CIT Training successfully completed – 24 attendees; Grant requirement of three classes for the first year completed; planning tentative dates for the next three classes.

Taylor: Grant has brought together Law Enforcement across the County through the CIT classes. Officers are learning more about the community & resources available for people with mental health problems they encounter on the street. Training has been very successful.

Hambright: Two individuals have volunteered to be task force leaders to follow-up on the training and issues arising from actual situations.

Hambright: Judicial Committee

Developed 2 forms – 1st is Care 4 U Reentry Program – eligibility for judicial referrals being made- recommendation made to put “Referral Form” at the top of the page; 2nd is program requirements to be signed by defendant – recommendation made to add the statement, “I have read and understand the compliance requirements” above the signature

Murphy: What about people in the Upper Keys?

Taylor: There are CIT officers from Key West through Key Largo. Facilities and counselors were involved in the training that is throughout the Keys.

Enright: If a client lives in the upper Keys can they come down for counseling?

Hambright: If someone can come down to Key West for counseling, they are welcome to. I would be making a referral to the Care Center for people in the middle and upper Keys.

Maloy: Moving forward, if you are making changes to the program, you might want to look for a county-wide mental health provider as opposed to an independent practitioner who has an office in Key West. The Care Center is adding after hours care in the middle and upper Keys in July.

Taylor: We are trying to get the program in Key West first and then can spread up the Keys.

Madruga: We haven't brought the judges from the upper Keys on board so we need to do that before we expand.

Enright: We need to be sure we have something for individuals to have SSI reinstated.

Hood: The Care Center does that for referrals.

Hambright: The jail has a referral form for inmates for the Care Center.

Hambright: Judge Miller met with me, Manny, Rosemary, Holly – he shared his specific needs and seemed willing to go forward with the Care 4 U Program; Judge Fowler is already on board.

Isherwood: Who is making the referral to the First Appearance list?

Hambright: I get a copy of pre-trial, plea day and First Appearance.

Isherwood: There is an assessment done by the pretrial officer.

Hambright: I would get the name of the client from pre-trial if the individual has indicated there is a history of substance abuse and I would look for that person on the plea day list. If eligible, I would then go down and talk to that person. Once an attorney is assigned, the PD would let me know the program is appropriate for that person.

Isherwood: Has that been set up yet?

Hambright: That's what we're going to be talking about over the next couple of days.

Enright: We don't really have that much interaction with clients related to plea day.

Isherwood: We're not aware we're supposed to be doing this.

Hambright: There was a meeting with Holly yesterday and you and I have to have that discussion.

Strategic Plan – Goals & Objectives – updates reviewed

Changes: pg 2 goal 3 under trainings - completed; pg 3 goal 6 under meetings - held

Enright: Once you get the list from plea day, you (Edie) would contact the PD and let us know the inmate identified because you may have to explain that they would have to wait a week for CARE 4 U for screening to be done.

Care 4 U program referrals – numbers for the month of February in the handout were reviewed – 2 clients are in the program at month end

Hood: The population most ideal for CARE 4 U program level of care is the pre-trial service client who is stable and already released in the community awaiting court.

Isherwood: If the pre-trial service assessment includes substance abuse and/or mental health history and meets the criteria, a copy of the assessment can be given to Edie for the program.

Enright: Do you contact the probation officer for no shows?

Hambright: Yes, we follow up on probation with Christine, however, not on voluntary clients.

Maloy: Our (Care Center) Offender Reentry Program is a federally funded program that ends in Sept. As part of our sustainability plan we're trying to figure out how to continue after care to the JIP population, the ORP population and the KTR population. There is no reason why our no cost extension on that grant, if we have carry-over funds, and implementation funds could not be combined to serve all of those populations. I'm more than willing to discuss a contract or MOU to sustain care for those people. I'd be happy to give you what DCF reimburses us for the services which is about 45% of our actual cost.

Taylor: My concern is if we have people we can serve and we have funds we can put toward that, we need to get together, take a look at that and see how many clients we can cover.

Maloy: Within the outline of the grant so you are not in violation of the contract with the State.

Taylor: We need to get together and see exactly what you have, the money and the legal component to make sure we are staying within the grant.

Madruga: Who is providing the counseling now?

Hambright: Our contract provider is Daniela Menardi who is a licensed mental health counselor, a certified EMDR trauma counselor and a certified addiction professional, in the state of Florida. Due to limited funding, contract was let with a counselor who could provide substance abuse services as well as EMDR.

Enright: Urinalysis through Drug Court in-kind would also count for Court Options drug test.

Taylor: We have to make a time to get together or put together a subcommittee to look at all of this, see what services we can bring online, at what cost and still fit the criteria of the grant.

Hambright: That would still need to be noticed.

Maloy: I will send you a list of DCF reimbursement amounts for services we (Care Center) provide.

Taylor: Jamie and you Commissioner were on the previous council ('07) and we talked about all of these issues before we moved forward with the Strategic Plan.

Enright: Folks not appropriate for CARE 4 U can be referred to Offender Reentry Program and vice versa.

Madruga: You have to be careful with the overlap and what the court has ordered because the treatment can be modified but then is not in compliance with the court order.

Taylor: We'll continue to move forward and look at additional services we could purchase from the match and meet the grant criteria.

Hambright: Grant funding – second year clarified to include roll-over from the first year and a adjustment for the second year of about \$114K to net out to the original grant yearly award.

Tennyson: Say \$120K spent first year – rollover balance of \$130K plus new money \$114K gives us essentially the anticipated budget of \$249K.

Hambright: For the third year funding, the governor and legislature approved last week full funding for the Reinvestment Grants.

Hambright: Reentry coordinator position applicant still being processed.

Madruga: Would we be able to service folks in Marathon without bringing them to Key West if a contract with the Care Center is worked out?

Maloy: We are the coordinator transportation provider and if somebody can't make the meeting, hopefully we can provide transportation for them.

Madruaga: Since our priority is to get people in the program, Edie, I would request that you schedule a meeting with Judge Becker as soon as you can and Judge Ptomey in PK in anticipation of having these services available.

Maloy: In our ORP group process we have VCT at each site with a live person in the room so people don't have to travel. The greater client population is in Marathon and the lower Keys.

FINANCIAL REPORT from Carol Peterson

Account detail of expenses presented through February 29, 2012

ONGOING BUSINESS – Sustainability Committee

Laino: I've drafted an action plan in the hopes of moving forward and having another meeting scheduled to finalize the plan – everything about sustainability points to CIT and SOAR and a source of funding to provide these services for disabled persons. We need to come up with a little history of the grant and let people know we exist and are actively trying to resolve some of the problems. These programs essentially are about treatment vs. incarceration. We need a mission statement – committee members – a marketing plan to get the word out that we exist. It is starting to be realized through CIT training. A CIT Advisory Board can be established. The Sustainability Committee will be meeting monthly and reporting to this board for input and approval.

NEW BUSINESS

Laino: SOAR Training – free – June 7 and 8 – RSVP to me (Joe Laino – cell: 305-849-1278 office: 305-293-6393 or email jlaino@sfbhn.org)

Laino: March 29th Forensic Meeting at Court House – contact me for info

ROUND TABLE (nothing)

NEXT MEETING is scheduled for April 19, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

Chief Taylor adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.