

Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board Meeting
Thursday, December 15, 2022
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
<https://meet.google.com/xzy-ejdw-ktt>

Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Judge Daniel Long, Chair, Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board
 - Call to Order/Roll Call
 - Approval of September 2022 Meeting Minutes

Meeting Goals and Objectives

- Receive Performance Incentive Grant Fund Grantee Updates
- Discuss Membership Agency Updates Related to the Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI)
- Review 2023 Justice Reinvestment Initiative *Draft* Strategy

Community Mediation Maryland, Inc.

Leslie M. Overholser & Adika Jones

Maryland Office of the Public Defender

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Co-Occurring Diversion Project

Presentation to the Justice Reinvestment Oversight Board

Presented by Melissa Rothstein, MOPD Chief of External Affairs
and Jill Godfrey, LMSW, PIGF Grant Social Worker
December 15, 2022

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Juvenile Protection
Major Crimes & Complex Litigation
Mental Health
Parental Defense
Post Conviction
Social Work

Forensics
Forensic Mental Health
Immigration

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GOALS

- ❖ **Connect incarcerated individuals with community-based services to address their complex mental health needs.**
- ❖ **Maximize diversion opportunities for individuals with complex mental health needs**
- ❖ **Expand OPD's proven practices of expanding alternatives to incarceration through a defense lens.**

Four-level Model



Referral to
program

Client's referral through attorney, sent to Supervisor. Supervisor triages each case and assigns to social worker.

Screening and
Assessment

Bio psychosocial, MAST, DAST, MHA PTSD, ACE, GAD-7,
Readiness to Change Model(Can add others in)

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Recommendations

Alternative Sentencing Plans, weekend jail,
probation, community services, rehab, restorative
justice.

Implementation

Accurate Referrals and Support Systems,
safe housing, mental health and addiction
therapy, follow up with client

Case Example - “Cyla”



Data and evaluation



FY 2022

- ★ 57 clients referred to program
- ★ 35 received full biopsychosocial assessment and recommendations
- ★ 25 connected with behavioral health provider
- ★ 17 connected with housing
- ★ 3 new arrests, VOPs

Project Impact

- ❖ Connections to
 - Treatment
 - Housing
 - Employment
- ❖ Improved case outcomes
- ❖ Reduced recidivism



Case example:
“Joshua”

Project Growth and Development



Expanded to three social workers

- Montgomery-Frederick-Washington
- Anne Arundel-Prince George's
- Baltimore Metro Area

Challenges addressed:

- Transportation
- Expanding network of service providers
- Admission requirements (detox, COVID clearance)

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Agency Updates

Governor's Office of Crime Prevention, Youth and Victim Services

Kunle Adeyemo, Esq., Executive Director

Maryland Department of Health

Bryan Mroz

Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services

Secretary Robert Green

Local Detention Centers

Mary Ann Thompson

Administrative Office of the Courts

Chief Judge John Morrissey

Questions and Comments

2023 Justice Reinvestment Strategy & Discussion

Next Steps

- Next Oversight Board Meeting

For any additional questions, comments, or concerns,
please contact Carly Seidman, the Justice Reinvestment Coordinator
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