

**THIS MEETING DID NOT CONTAIN A PRESENTATION**

**JJPOC Incarceration Workgroup**

**November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**1:00 PM – 2:30 PM**

**Web Based Meeting- Zoom**

**Attendance**

Bob Francis

Catherine Foley Geib

Christa Rider

Emily Leen

Glenn Worthy

Heriberto Cajigas

Indre Fishman

Martha Stone

Patricia Nunez

Sarah Eagan

Sharmese Walcott

Stella Rose Dugue

Tammy Nguyen-O'Dowd

Tasha Hunt

Tina Mitchell

Toni Walker

**TYJI Staff**

Brittany LaMarr

Erika Nowakowski

**Meeting Objectives:**

During the November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Incarceration Workgroup meeting, a discussion of the Reentry Success Plan was held which included an update from the Reentry Subgroup. An update of the JJPOC Strategic Plan, including a specific review of the Incarceration Workgroup's position within this strategic plan was given as well. Lastly, an update from DOC on the use of chemical agents and restraints was provided.

**Meeting Summary:**

- Reentry Success Plan – Reentry Update
  - Logic Model
    - This document will guide the work moving forward and is a combined effort of the recommendations that arose from the JJPOC Reentry Subgroup.
    - The Logic Model includes the situations, inputs, outputs, outcomes, assumptions, and external factors that influence reentry.
  - Accountability and Program Monitoring
    - Parole officers will serve as the coordinating entity for youth reentering the community and the judicial branch will be the lead of the plan implementation.

- Potentially, the coordinating entity will be through community programming rather than parole officers, which aligns with recent New Jersey reentry legislation.
  - Methods for youth who are not under judicial supervision are in development.
  - Roles and responsibilities for the involved entities are included in the document, along with intended outcomes.
    - Comprehensive strategies for the plan implementation and accountability are included in the document as well.
- Fiscal Note
  - Each of the proposed recommendations has a fiscal note attached. These recommendations include:
    - Credible Messengers, educational supports, mental health and substance use supports, transition supports, vocational and employment support, family visiting, stable housing, safe driving education and transportation support, restorative justice, and quality assurance reporting
  - More information regarding where the fiscal note numbers originated from and how to measure the success/results of these fiscal notes was requested.
- Strategic Plan Update/Review for Incarceration
  - The strategic plan was reviewed and subsequently discussed among the workgroup members.
    - The workgroup intends to monitor accountability which is outlined in the strategic plan.
    - Clarifying questions were asked regarding the language of the strategic plan.
      - Language alterations were made.
      - There are hopes to have the workgroup members visit the Manson Youth Institute or REGIONS as part of their oversight of facilities, which would also allow for the workgroup to have contact with the youth and the community.
    - The strategic plan incorporates the monitoring of the changes that have been made within the juvenile justice system to determine whether they have worked as intended.
      - Further proposed changes are to be considered in this regard as well.
- DOC Chemical Agent/Restraint Update

- A review of the chemical agent and restraint use was provided by the DOC, and a detailed outline of these incidents was provided.
  - There were three chemical agent/restraint incidents for the month of September and seemed to be the result of interpersonal issues or “street beefs.”
- Next Steps
  - Feedback and questions should be sent to Brittany LaMarr by Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Next Meeting: December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

