

Ozaukee County Criminal Justice Collaborating Council
2010 Executive Summary
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The Ozaukee County Criminal Justice Collaborating Council (CJCC) membership represents the various stakeholders of the county and justice system. The Council meets at least quarterly on the fourth Wednesday of the month. The mission of the CJCC is to work toward improving community safety in Ozaukee County by reducing recidivism, with a primary focus on drug and alcohol related incidences.

After a public request and organizational appointments, the early part of 2010 brought the addition of 2 citizen representatives, assistant state public defender, municipal attorney and defense attorney as new members of the CJCC. The new positions clearly show a community wide interest in reducing recidivism, acknowledging all areas of the justice system. A new member orientation meeting was scheduled to welcome and inform new members about the CJCC history and structure. As new members joined the CJCC, the committee structure was aligned using a new work flow chart, designating the course a new idea would be directed through the committee structure. New co-chairs for 2010-11 include Dawn Ritter of Columbia St. Mary's and Supervisor Cindy Bock.

As the role of the Family Living Educator evolves in relationship with the CJCC, numerous opportunities have been made available to further the CJCC mission. Attendance at multi-county CJCC coordinator meetings has established networking connections to learn best practices from seasoned coordinators and professional development offerings. The Family Living Educator also brings UW-Extension resources and organizational processes to the CJCC via group facilitation.

Accomplishment highlights by committee:

1. Programs, Intervention, Treatment Committee:

- Chairperson Bock and County Psychotherapist Anthony Werth attended an SSTOP presentation in Winnebago County. The committee studied how this type of diversion program for OWI offenders could be altered and implemented in our county
- Began study of a potential First Offender Program for our county. Marilyn Walczak of Justice 2000 and Nick Sayner of Adult Court Services attended a meeting to provide specific implementation information, provide resources, and answer questions.
- Planned Strengthening Families Program Training for 2011
- Worked on a possible SStop type program for 2nd and 3rd OWI offenders which continued to be modified throughout the year as it was reviewed by the Court Review Committee.
- Reviewed a MIOP (Modified Intensive Outpatient Program) begun in our Counseling Center

- Reviewed the Freedom Life Skills pilot for probation/Huber inmates.
- The October committee meeting was observed by two representatives of NCSC, the National Center for State Courts. Members of NCSC were hired through a grant by the Effective Justice Strategies Committee of the Wisconsin Supreme Court to review the work of existing state CJCCs. A final report of their work will be generated in December 2011.
- Reviewed committee priorities and 5 year goals.

2. Grant/Funding Committee

- Recruited committee members, including administrative budget and grants manager, grant writer, and county board member(s) and held its first meeting.
- Defined committee responsibilities and worked on priorities and 5 year goals.
- Directed Budget and Grants Manager to create separate revenue fund for CJCC and to provide quarterly financial statements to CJCC.
- Directed contracted grant writer to create a list of possible funding sources for three treatment programs under consideration.
- Directed contracted grant writer to prepare a standard solicitation letter to be sent to potential donors.
- Participated in the annual golf outing fundraising event (Autumn Open “Scramblin’ for Funds”), which raised \$1275 for the CJCC
- Mailed solicitation letters to golf outing participants and community organizations in Fall 2010.
- Asked grant writer to investigate funding opportunities from DOC (Department of Corrections) and OJA (Wisconsin Department of Justice Assistance).
- Agreed to pursue funding from the OJA in 2011.

3. Public Relations and Education Committee

- Designed CJCC logo using the donated services of Diane Lane
- CJCC posted on the Ozaukee County main page and website updates
- Reviewed committee priorities and 5 year goals
- Discussed timeline of public relations activities for the CJCC

4. Court Review Committee

- Convened to review the court system implications of the Freedom Life Skills Program Pilot
- Engaged in designing a “diversion” program that is feasible for court schedules, justice system protocol, and treatment design

5. Reentry Subcommittee

- Researched, designed and completed 13 week (26 session) Freedom Life Skills pilot program through the Department of Community Corrections in Saukville with Huber inmates, probation and parolees.

- Invited Gary LaFave of Freedom Life Skills, Inc. to present the program to the CJCC and worked with him to create the above mentioned pilot.
- Coordinated graduation ceremony in November 2010 in which 6 graduates shared public personal testimony regarding the change Freedom Life Skills has had in their lives.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Carol Bralich". The ink is a reddish-brown color.

Carol Bralich

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