

## **Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council (JRAC) Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** Monday, April 28, 2025

**Time:** 12:51 PM – 1:31 PM

**Location:** Tippecanoe County Office Building (TCOB)

### **Members Present:**

- David Hullinger – Chief Adult Probation Officer
- Miriah Anderson – Chief Deputy Juvenile Probation Officer
- Keyna Everett – Tippecanoe County Community Corrections (TCCC) Executive Director
- Catie Berkshire – TCCC Deputy Director
- Ben Murray – County Council Member
- Patrick Harrington - Prosecutor
- Tracy Brown – Commissioner
- Hon. Steven Meyer – Judge, Superior Court II
- Robert Goldsmith – Sheriff
- Adam Ferguson – Chief, West Lafayette Police Department
- Rebecca Humphrey – Youth Services Director
- Dan Ahrens – CEO, Valley Oaks – Community Mental Health Director
- Robert Little, Public Defender

### **Others Present:**

- Amy Brinkley – Recovery Support Systems Coordinator/Paul’s Plan Ministry
- Shari Moore, NAMI – Recovery Community
- Devon Moore – WLPD Social Worker

### **Members Absent:**

- Hon. Michael Morrissey – Judge, Superior Court VI
- Dr. Seema Kengeri - Health Officer
- Scott Galloway – Chief, Lafayette Police Department
- Hon. Kristen McVey – Judge, Superior Court V
- Hon. Trisha Thompson – Juvenile Magistrate, Superior Court III
- Norman Henry, TCCC Addiction Counselor

### **1. Call to Order**

Dave Hullinger called the meeting to order at 12:51 PM.

## **2. Approval of Minutes**

Sheriff Robert Goldsmith moved to approve the JRAC meeting minutes from January 27, 2025. Commissioner Tracy Brown seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **3. Updates and Discussion**

### **a. 2024 Local JRAC Annual Report**

Dave submitted the 2024 JRAC Annual Report/Survey via email to JRAC Board Members on March 31, 2025. In that report, Dave noted two (2) primary goals for 2025:

- 1) Continued progress with the SIM project recommendations with the top 5 SIM priority areas being:
  - A) Build out diversion options before jail (who are these people – how many would be eligible for diversion)
  - B) Coordinate re-entry services with a focus on health recovery (Amy's IRACS)
  - C) Reduce fragmentation of peer services
  - D) Streamlining crisis response for providers and consumers
  - E) Coordination of discharge from ER, jail, inpatient treatment
- 2) Collection of data from criminal justice programs, which might include jail population data, arrest data, mental health cases, etc. This data is necessary to determine evaluation of programming.

Discussion was held with the data sent to everyone with today's Agenda. It included some estimated jail population data from 2024, estimated jail population charging information, and the recently released criminal case filing numbers for 2024 and 1Q 2025 from the Clerk, which included EDO/mental health filings.

Dave stated Amy Brinkley, Devon Moore, Belinda Bernard, Lisa Werth and himself traveled to Bloomington, Indiana to tour the Stride Crisis Center on March 21, 2025. The Stride Center offers a 24-hour crisis diversion center for those suffering from substance abuse and/or mental health disorders. It was designed to provide services for those individuals where the jail or hospital might not be a suitable destination. They have a 60% law enforcement referral rate. They also have a designated drop off door number. The Stride staff notifies law enforcement if a person leaves unexpectedly. Also, Dave also stated that studies show 55-60% of those people in custody suffer from mental health or substance abuse issues.

Dave stated that locally, The Haven with Valley Oaks is next on the tour schedule. Dan Ahrens announced that there will be an Open House for The Haven on May 6, 2025, at the 2323 Ferry Street location.

## **b. JRAC 1st Quarter Electronic Monitoring Report**

Dave stated that the 1Q EM Report was previously emailed to JRAC Board Members??

## **c. IRACS (Integrated Reentry and Correctional Support) Update**

Amy Brinkley discussed the current IRACS status with the Sheriff's Dept. There are a total of 10 positions with 2 open positions remaining. The month of May will include orientation, background checks, and training. She stated that the State has inquired as to how the Opioid Settlement monies have been spent and she indicated that the local Drug Coalition did not spend all of their funds. IRACS flyers were distributed to everyone today. Amy indicated that the IRAC numbers are better than what the flyer shows and that it has been demonstrated that having peers in the jails improves outcomes. Tippecanoe County will have the largest IRACS jail program in Indiana. Current IRACS sites are Blackford, Delaware, Fayette, Dearborn, and Daviess Counties. 14 other Counties are in progress.

## **d. Public Law 179-2015 Implementation and JRAC Website re: Local JRAC meetings online (effective July 1, 2025).**

Dave met with Eric Vickery (DoIT) and briefly discussed recording and archiving both the JRAC and TCCC AB meetings. Our JRAC website status remains unchanged, but it will be up and running effective July 28, 2025.

## **e. SIM (Sequential Intercept Mapping) Priorities 2025**

Already discussed during the review of the 2024 JRAC Annual Report above.

## **4. Additional Comments/Concerns**

None

## **5. Next Meeting**

- **Date:** July 28, 2025
- **Time:** Approximately 12:30 PM
- **Location:** Tippecanoe County Office Building, Tippecanoe Room

**Minutes prepared by:** Janel Gick, Adult Probation Secretary.