

Agenda

Tuesday, March 16, 2010

3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **REGISTRATION AND CONFERENCE SUPPORT DESK OPEN** *Minnesota Foyer*

Wednesday, March 17, 2010

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. **REGISTRATION AND CONFERENCE SUPPORT DESK OPEN** *Minnesota Foyer*

8:30 a.m. **WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS** *Minnesota Room*

Color Guard, Minnesota State Patrol

Carol Poole, Acting Deputy Director for Programs, BJA

Jeri Boisvert, Executive Director, Minnesota Department of Public Safety

Roland Mena, Executive Director, Montana Board of Crime Control and NCJA President

9:00 a.m. **OPENING PLENARY SESSION** *Minnesota Room*

Regional participants will engage in a roundtable discussion to share lessons learned and accomplishments in planning and managing federal assistance from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

10:15 a.m. Break

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

Representatives of state programs funded by Byrne JAG formula grants and national initiatives as well as national training and technical assistance providers will discuss Midwestern regional programs as examples of evidence based policies and practices in action. Topics to be discussed include:

- *Substance Abuse Treatment for Diverse Target Populations*
- *Systemic Responses to Public Safety*
- *Reentry Strategies*
- *Strengthening Families*
- *Justice Reinvestment Strategies*
- *Information Sharing*
- *Juvenile Justice Programming*

10:30 a.m. **Workshop 1 – Two Concurrent Sessions**

Session 1 - Substance Abuse Treatment for Diverse Target Populations *St. Croix 1*

Kansas' Project Core is a year-long, community-based program that provides comprehensive, integrated treatment to people who have at least one mental disorder and an alcohol or drug use disorder. The project's target population is adults who are identified as at-risk of involvement or have had involvement with the criminal justice system but are non-violent, low-level offenders who do not pose a significant risk to the community.

Presenter: *Brenda Richardson, Project Core Coordinator*

South Dakota STAR (State Treatment and Rehabilitation) is a program to provide substance abuse treatment to juvenile offenders. To be effective, juvenile correctional programs and treatments must adhere to the following evidence-based practices: offender services and interventions must be assessment-based, target those youth with higher probability of recidivism and provide the most intensive treatment to higher risk offenders.

Presenter: *Jeff Haiar, South Dakota Department of Corrections*

Session 2 - Public Safety at Its Best

St. Croix 2

Chicago CeaseFire is an evidence-based public health approach to reducing shootings and killings. Methods for reversing the violence epidemic use highly trained street violence interrupters and outreach staff, public education campaigns and community mobilization. CeaseFire is one of the only empirically proven techniques to reduce neighborhoods crime.

Presenter: *Charlie Ransford, CeaseFire*

Chicago Police Department, Chicago Crisis Intervention Team for Youth focuses on diverting youth from the juvenile justice system to mental health treatment. Law enforcement personnel, school officials, the community mental health system, consumer and family advocates, and other stakeholders collaborate to ensure youth receive appropriate services. The program includes the promotion and delivery of supplemental programs which educate school professionals on mental illness. Chicago Police Department is one of the first three agencies in the nation to have taken the successful Adult CIT model and adapted it to address the needs of youth.

Presenter: *Officer Kurt Gawrisch, Chicago Police Department*

Ohio Cincinnati Initiative to Reduce Violence (CIRV) is modeled on Boston's original Operation CeaseFire and related programs, but is tailored to the needs of specific communities. The approach relies on direct communication to violent groups by a partnership of law enforcement, service providers, and community figures. Together the partnership delivers a unified 'no violence' message, explains that violence will bring law enforcement attention to entire groups, offers services and alternatives to group members, and articulates community norms against violence. The immediate availability of social and remedial services and an especially clear articulation of anti-violence norms by respected members of the affected communities bolster the enforcement strategy.

Presenters: *Lisa Shoaf and Jim Luebbers, Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services*

12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION: A PRESENTATION ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AND FINDINGS CONCERNING EFFECTIVE PROGRAMS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

Minnesota Room

1:30 p.m.

Workshop 2 – Two Concurrent Sessions

Session 1 - Reentry Strategies

St. Croix 1

Ohio's Reentry Strategy is built on a review of evidence-based programming. The SAA has set aside \$5 million to fund an expansion of its reentry programs, which are required to demonstrate evidence-based programming. The SAA provides training, statewide and free of charge, to learn how to incorporate these practices.

Presenter: *Robert Swisher, Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services*

The Winona County CARE Program is a jail reentry program which utilizes best practices in the prisoner reentry field, including comprehensive case management, coordinated service delivery and mentoring. Its goal is to decrease the recidivism rate of offenders who transition from jail to society by 50 percent.

Presenter: *Kalene Engel, Winona County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, MN*

Recovery Resource Center (RRC) Women's Recovery & Reentry Initiative is a community-based mental health and substance abuse program in Minneapolis serving women released from the state correctional facility for women. The Recovery Resource Center provides a continuum of comprehensive transition and community reentry services for women offenders, incorporating EBP and motivational interviewing.

Presenters: *Heidi Kammer and Carrie Salsness, Recovery Resource Center*

Session 2 - Strengthening Families

St. Croix 2

The Strengthening Families Program (SFP), an evidence-based prevention program developed by Iowa State University, is recognized as a model program by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention. The 2nd Judicial District's Department of Correctional Services has partnered with SFP to provide the program to children of offenders who are at high risk of developing substance abuse problems and committing crimes. This program involves both the parents and the children.

Presenters: *Linda Murken, Iowa 2nd Judicial District, Department of Corrections and Cathy Hockaday, Iowa State University*

The Mentoring Children of Prisoners (MCOP) Program is an evidence-based mentoring program, developed and operated by Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Greater Twin Cities (BBBS), which serves youth who have an incarcerated family member. BBBS, in partnership with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southern Minnesota, the Council for Crime and Justice, and Family and Children's Services, match youth with volunteer mentors and offer an array of services to help youth develop critical assets that lead to positive outcomes and avoidance of delinquency and justice-system involvement. While the focus is on the youth being served, the program also involves parents/families through strategies, including special outreach, training/programs, resources, and referrals.

Presenters: *Gloria Lewis and Deanna Nurnberg, Big Brothers Big Sisters*

3:00 p.m.

Break

3:15 p.m.

Workshop 3 – Two Concurrent Sessions

Session 1 - Justice Reinvestment in Wisconsin

St. Croix 1

Treatment Alternatives and Diversion (TAD), a collaborative effort of the governor, legislature and courts has resulted in the implementation of several programs that reduce recidivism, reduce the costs of corrections and maintain public safety. Under a broad umbrella of the Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI), the Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance (OJA), is funding programs that target non-violent adult and juvenile offenders in order to reduce costs to the criminal justice system and allow for resources to be directed toward more serious and violent criminal offenders. General misdemeanor diversion programs, treatment-focused diversion programs and treatment-focused felony sentencing alternatives are also being funded and evaluated by OJA.

Presenter: *John Chisholm, Milwaukee County District Attorney, WI*

AIM: Assess, Inform, Measure is a model program based on specific design elements intended to improve the quality and scope of information provided to the court, including: risk, criminogenic needs, and responsivity assessment and the availability of community-based treatment programs that address the assessed needs and reduce risk to the community. The AIM concept includes a feedback loop to provide constant monitoring of program effectiveness and performance of individual service providers. This program requires data collection and reporting that will allow all AIM pilot projects to report consistent and comparable data across the state.

Presenter: *John Voelker, Wisconsin State Courts*

DOC Offender Reentry Services is a justice reinvestment initiative program supported by OJA funding that offers enhanced offender reentry services operated by the Wisconsin Department of Corrections.

Presenter: *Tony Streveler, Wisconsin Department of Corrections*

Session 2 - Information Sharing

St. Croix 2

Mid-Missouri Internet Crimes Task Force is a joint cooperative effort formalizing relation-

ships between and among the participating agencies in order to foster an efficient and cohesive unit capable of addressing the problem of crimes committed through the use of computers and the Internet within the Mid-Missouri area. These investigations include but are not limited to Internet enticement of children, child pornography, trafficking of children, trafficking of illegal narcotics to children, harassment, cyber bullying, terrorist threats, and other crimes facilitated through the use of computers, the Internet, or other electronic media and the forensic examination of computers and other electronic media used to facilitate criminal activity. It is the desire of the participating agencies to achieve maximum inter-agency cooperation in a combined law enforcement effort aimed at reducing criminal activity perpetrated through the use of computers, the Internet, and other electronic media within the communities it serves.

Presenter: Andy Anderson, Boone County Sheriff's Department, MO

The National Information Exchange Model provides a for seamless information exchange. NIEM leverages Global Justice Information Sharing XML (Global) Data Model (GJXDM) to facilitate timely, secure information sharing across the whole of the justice, public safety, emergency and disaster management, intelligence, and homeland security enterprises. Individual agencies play a critical role in the success of data sharing and national intelligence efforts and can contribute and benefit from using NIEM.

Presenter: Donald Sutherland, IJIS Institute

4:45 p.m.

Adjourn

Thursday, March 18, 2010

7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION AND CONFERENCE SUPPORT DESK OPEN

Minnesota Foyer

8:00 a.m.

GENERAL SESSION

Minnesota Room

8:30 a.m.

STATE STRATEGIC PLANNING TEAMWORKING SESSION

Participants will meet with members of their state team to discuss how to apply information from the workshops in strategic planning and managing of evidence based policies and practices. *States as assigned – Minnesota, St. Croix 1, St. Croix 2 rooms*

10:00 a.m.

Break

10:15 a.m.

STATES REPORT OUT

Minnesota Room

11:00 a.m.

**CLOSING PLENARY PANEL – RESEARCH IN ACTION:
DIALOGUE WITH SAC DIRECTORS**

Minnesota Room

Mark Myrent, Illinois SAC Director

Lisa Shoaf, Ohio SAC Director

Danette Buskovich, Minnesota SAC Director

Jeri Boisvert, Executive Director, Minnesota Department of Public Safety

12:00 p.m.

Adjourn

12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

OPTIONAL LUNCH AND TOUR: TARGET FORENSIC SERVICES LABORATORY

Did you know that Target, the “Expect More, Pay Less” retailer, operates a forensic laboratory? In addition to providing scientific examinations of evidence for criminal investigations affecting Target, the Forensic Services Laboratory has supported hundreds of local, state and federal violent crime investigations. Typically, these scientific examinations are of video and audio evidence from homicide investigations. Lunch at Target’s facility. Buses will leave from the Minneapolis Marriott City Center.