

CJCC HISTORY

August 2022. The Clark County the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council formally onboarded a Coordinator to manage, coordinate and direct the work of the Council and subcommittees to leverage resources and expertise in developing strategic plans, making the most effective use of available and potential federal, state and other funding. The focus is for long and short-term criminal justice reform, coordinating research and program evaluation, and serving as a community and organizational catalyst.

May 2022. The Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department expanded the addition of the Community Advocacy Resources and Engagement (CARE) team. The CARE team focuses on long-term solutions to behavioral, societal and mental concerns from citizens. The CARE team responds to active scenes and works with social

workers for follow-up home visits, access to treatment, transitional placement or housing, diversion programs and other supportive services.

March-July 2022. Clark County Pretrial Services Division Workload Analysis. The focus of the analysis was on Pretrial Services' Intake and Intensive Supervision Unit to assess staffing and resources needed to accomplish mission-critical assignments for all county Justice and District courts. The analysis built upon the Initial Appearance Courts and guided the full implementation of Assembly Bill 424, which mandated that courts hold a pretrial release hearing within 48 hours after a person has been taken into custody.

February 2022. The Justice Management Institute provided an assessment of the Clark County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, identifying strong consensus decision making and identifying potential priority areas of

focus to update activities and objectives for the strategic plan.

October 2021. *Macarthur Foundation Safety and Justice Challenge (SJC) grant* was received by Clark County to support the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council with implementing evidence-based solutions to safely reduce jail populations, eliminate ineffective, inefficient, and unfair practices focusing on equity among populations.

September 2021. The Office of the Clark County District Attorney created a website to assist domestic violence victims with navigating the criminal justice system while participating in the case against the abuser. DVHelpLasVegas.com provides answers to frequently asked questions and resources.

August 2020. Overdose Data to Action: Pre-arrest, Pre-trial Diversion Project expansion with the Southern Nevada Health District for the Law Enforcement Intervention for Mental Health and

Addiction also known as Project LIMA. Project LIMA is a collaboration between the Southern Nevada Health District, the State of Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health, the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department and Clark County Justice Court. This is a nine to 12- month pre-booking program to address low-level drug crimes expanding access for first-time or low-level offenders.

June 2020. Resource review and capacity expansion of specialty courts through the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Block Grant competitively allocated through the State of Nevada Department of Public and Behavioral Health, Bureau of Health Wellness and Prevention. The courts were allocated additional funding to expand the Mental Health Court to serve a greater number of individuals with serious mental illness or co-occurring substance use disorder.

November 2019. Through a collaborative effort by the members of

the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, the Las Vegas Justice Courts established an Initial Appearance Court. The establishment of the Initial Appearance Court created a venue for individuals in custody to learn of the charges against them, understand their constitutional rights, identify bail options, and discuss the potential of a plea or accessing legal counsel.

October 2019. Recommendations from the Attorney General's Committee from the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team which included collaboration with the Clark County Office of the District Attorney prompted the creation of a dedicated subcommittee on domestic violence to assess the dynamic of domestic violence and to reduce the percentage of denials and dismissals as well as engage the community on policies, practices, and services to reduce the number of deaths from domestic violence offenses.

January 2019. Completion of the initial Sequential Intercept Model Mapping for Clark County Nevada as part of the Behavioral Health and Homeless Subcommittee to identify gaps and capacity of diversion programs. The sequential intercept model details how individuals with mental and substance use disorders come into contact and move through the criminal justice system. The model is used in treatment and lessening the criminalization of persons with mental illness, emphasizing a collaboration between the behavioral health and criminal justice systems.

August 2018. Systemwide analysis of case processes, domestic violence filings, jail populations, demographics of bookings and releases in the Clark County Detention Center. This included data from the Nevada Department of Corrections on recidivism and demographics of offenders.

October 2017. The Nevada Department of Public Safety, Parole and

Probation Division opened the Las Vegas Day Reporting Center to give offenders on parole and probation access to life-changing skills and counseling services and is utilized as an intermediate sanction in lieu of incarceration. This program supports public safety by promoting better decision-making and works to reduce recidivism. Participants have the opportunity through recommendation from their parole or probation officer in lieu of arrest or by submitting a self-request to be screened.

March 2017. The Clark County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council was formally established, including the organization structure and the development of the initial Strategic Plan with priorities on evidence-based, data-driven objectives that are feasible, measurable, and equitable.

Summer 2017. Project Safe 417 (PS417) was established between SafeNest and the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department dedicated to reducing

domestic-violence-related abuse and homicides in the Las Vegas Valley.

January 2016. The Office of Justice Programs Diagnostic Center completed the Interim Diagnostic Analysis and recommended the creation of the Clark County Criminal Justice Coordination Council to leverage resources and expertise from community stakeholder groups of the criminal justice system in Clark County and to address systematic criminal justice challenges.

August 2015. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs Diagnostic Center conducted a review of criminal justice processes within Clark County impacting inmate population management at the Clark County Detention Center focusing on public safety and jail overcrowding.

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