



Douglas County Local Public Safety Coordinating Council (LPSCC)

Umpqua Room, Roseburg Public Safety Center
700 S.E. Douglas Ave., Roseburg
Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2019, 11:30 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present:

Cherie Barnstable, <i>Compass Behavioral Health (non-voting)</i>	Allen Hobson, <i>City of Winston</i>
Greg Brigham, <i>Adapt</i>	Adam Jones, <i>City of Glendale</i>
Frances Burge, <i>Presiding Judge</i>	Gary Klopfenstein, <i>Roseburg PD</i>
Jerry Chartier, <i>Lay Citizen / Former OSP</i>	Nikki Messenger, <i>Roseburg City Manager Pro-Tem</i>
Tracy De Pew, <i>Cow Creek Tribe</i>	Teresa Mutschler, <i>Douglas Public Health Network</i>
Aric Fromdahl, <i>Juvenile Department</i>	Melanie Prummer, <i>Battered Persons Advocacy</i>
Joe Garcia, <i>Community Corrections (Vice Chair)</i>	Rick Wesenberg, <i>District Attorney</i>

Members Absent:

Chris Boice, <i>Commissioner (Chair)</i>	John Hanlin, <i>Sheriff</i>
Dan Bouck, <i>Public Defender</i>	Lt. Steve Mitchell, <i>Oregon State Police (non-voting)</i>
Theresa Haworth, <i>Oregon Youth Authority (non-voting)</i>	Sean Negherbon, <i>City of Myrtle Creek</i>

On the phone: Mike Nores, *Douglas CARES*

Others Present

Mike Fieldman, <i>UCAN</i>	Ann Marie Simmons, <i>Judge</i>
William Marshall, <i>Judge</i>	Janet Tribble, <i>Adapt</i>
Kimm McArthur, <i>Parole/Probation</i>	Cpl. Doug Walton, <i>Roseburg police</i>
Melissa McRobbie-Toll, <i>LPSCC Coordinator</i>	Robert Wilson, <i>Treatment Court Coordinator</i>

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LPSCC Vice Chair Joe Garcia called the meeting to order at 11:42 a.m. There was a quorum present.

Meeting minutes approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> June LPSCC minutes: Melanie Prummer moved to approve the minutes from the June 4, 2019, LPSCC meeting. Gary Klopfenstein seconded. <i>Motion passed.</i>
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1. NEW MEMBERS

LPSCC welcomed two new members: Roseburg City Manger Pro Tem Nikki Messenger, who replaces Lance Colley, and Teresa Mutschler, the new director of Douglas Public Health Network (LPSCC is required by statute to have a public health representative; this position was previously unfilled).

2. UPDATES

- Mobile Crisis grant (Cherie Barnstable)** – A second Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) has been hired and is expected to be fully trained by the end of September. At that time, the Mobile Crisis program will be fully operational, providing mobile crisis services in and around Roseburg 12 hours a day, 7 days a week. The program is funded by a 3-year DOJ grant. There has been a significant increase in mobile crisis callouts over the first quarter when there were 13 callouts. In the second quarter (April-June), there were 72 callouts. Fifty were diverted from the Emergency Department and the Jail; 18 needed to go to Mercy; and four were arrested.
- Sobering Center (Greg Brigham)** – The estimated annual operating cost for a 24/7 Sobering Center is \$350,000. Adapt will cover \$50,000 of that cost. Umpqua Health Alliance has committed \$100,000 toward the first year of operating costs and the same amount for the second year with a 150 percent match requirement. The City of Roseburg has committed \$50,000 and the cities of Myrtle Creek and Sutherlin have also made commitments. Legislation passed this session includes \$1 million in funding for sobering center startup costs statewide. The “startup costs” cover costs incurred in the first five years, including operations (according to Rep. Stark’s office). The Sobering Center will be located on Diamond Lake Boulevard, next door to the Crossroads facility.
- Adapt updates (Greg Brigham)** – Adapt is opening an on-site primary care facility at its Madrone campus that will be operated by South River Community Health Center, which is part of Adapt.
- Behavioral Health Subcommittee (LPSCC Coordinator)** – Subcommittee participation has grown, and many meetings begin with brief introductions by guest presenters - mostly service providers focused on helping justice-involved individuals and others connect the dots in their re-entry and recovery efforts. Coordinator shared with LPSCC a list of presenters and their contact information. Connecting Point is continuing at the Dream Center on Monday mornings. Subcommittee is exploring the possibility of forming a group to share information about high utilizers of the criminal justice and behavioral health systems. Such a group would be formed with input from experts and legal counsel.
- Housing Subcommittee (LPSCC Coordinator)** – July meeting was cancelled; Subcommittee will next meet on Aug. 14.

3. TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FUND

In June, LPSCC approved the Housing Subcommittee’s recommendations for changes to the JRI-funded transitional housing program, including increasing the rental assistance amount and duration to \$1,500 over a maximum of six months. Efforts are now underway to provide retroactive housing payments for RSAT graduates who would have qualified for the program between the time it was approved by LPSCC in April 2018 and the time it was implemented in the Fall of 2018. Treatment Court Coordinator asked for guidance on the process for determining retroactive payments. LPSCC staff drafted an addendum to the recommendations approved in June for review/revision by LPSCC. Discussion points included the following:

- **Commissioner concern** - LPSCC Coordinator shared that Commissioner Boice (not present) reviewed the draft addendum and felt it left too much discretion to the Treatment Court Coordinator
- **Employed individuals** - Joe Garcia said individuals who are employed and financially able to pay rent on their own should not necessarily receive assistance from this fund.
- **Lack of rent knowledge** - Judge Simmons shared that some RSAT graduates don’t even know what their monthly rent is; in some cases, this is because the housing providers haven’t communicated that information.
- **Paperwork delays** – Robert Wilson said some landlords have not submitted the paperwork required to receive payments.

ACTION: Greg Brigham moved to approve the addendum. Allen Hobson seconded.

ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION: Further discussion resulted in the following directives to LPSCC Coordinator:

- At the suggestion of Judge Marshall, add the language in italics: “It is up to the Treatment Court Coordinator, *in consultation with the probation officer and the Drug Court team and considering individuals’ full financial circumstances*, to decide the amount of retroactive payments based on individuals’ eligibility, duration of time in residence and other factors.”
- To the recommendations approved in June, add language that requires landlords seeking to receive JRI Transitional Housing Fund payments to provide monthly billing statements.

VOTE: LPSCC voted unanimously to approve amended draft addendum, and to add the monthly-billing-statement requirement to the recommendations approved by LPSCC in June. **Motion passed.**

4. JRI VICTIMS’ SERVICES REPORTS & PROGRESS REPORTS

Victims’ services providers Battered Persons’ Advocacy (BPA) and Douglas CARES receive 10 percent of Justice Reinvestment grant funding awarded to Douglas County and are required to provide annual reports to the Criminal Justice Commission. Both organizations shared their reports with LPSCC:

- **BPA (Melanie Prummer)** – BPA funded a portion of five positions with JRI funding. Staff helped 619 survivors file temporary restraining orders, and legal services were provided in 1,400 instances. In the past year, there was a 47 percent increase in referrals from the Court, and a 142 percent increase in assisting survivors in filing stalking orders. Grant funding also helped with coordination of the Task Force on Family Violence and its Lethality Assessment Program Subcommittee. Efforts have been continuing to build relationships with law enforcement. In the past year, there were 418 referrals from law enforcement – a 50 percent increase. BPA has also been able to use JRI funding as “matching funds” to leverage federal funding for activities including hiring a human trafficking services outreach coordinator and an advocate position at Umpqua Community College.
- **Douglas CARES (Mike Nores)** – CARES opened an office in Canyonville earlier this year, and staffing there includes a therapist and an advocate. A therapist and skills trainer have been placed at the Phoenix School. Caseloads are increasing, and there has been an estimated 30+ percent increase in forensic interviews for this calendar year. CARES completed an equality study for the agency.

Progress reports: Douglas County LPSCC is required to submit semiannual progress reports for its JRI and Supplemental JRI programs. Progress reports were sent to LPSCC members for review prior to the meeting. The reports require LPSCC approval.

ACTION: Tracy De Pew moved to approve the JRI and Supplemental JRI progress reports. Rick Wesenberg seconded. *Motion passed.*

5. JRI & SUPPLEMENTAL JRI APPLICATION 2019/21

JRI and Supplemental JRI applications for 2019/21 are due Aug. 28. Both grant programs were fully funded by the Legislature. The regular JRI program is formula-based according to the number of people on felony supervision in each county. The Supplemental JRI program is competitive and focused on downward-departure cases.

LPSCC members reviewed a handout detailing JRI and Supplemental allocations for the 2017/19 biennium:

- \$588,333 – Jail deputies for RSAT program
- \$450,000 – RSAT treatment services provided by Adapt
- \$246,627 – RSAT liaison / Release assistance officer
- \$108,658 - .5 FTE DDA to serve as specialty court prosecutor
- \$24,000 – Umpqua Valley Public Defender (RSAT-related services)
- \$24,000 – Transitional Housing fund
- \$928 – LPSCC Coordinator supplies
- Regular JRI 10 percent victims’ services (\$92,000 to CARES; \$72,227 to BPA)
- \$268,992 – Supplemental JRI DDA position

- Supplemental JRI 10 percent victims' services (\$15,057.50 to CARES; \$14,830.50 to BPA)

Several factors are negatively impacting Douglas County's JRI outlook for 2019/21:

- **Smaller percentage of formula grant** – Douglas County has fewer people on felony supervision than in the last biennium, so the amount it will receive under the formula is expected to decrease by \$57,268.37.
- **Position cost increases** – Due to position cost increases, Douglas County would need to budget an additional \$171,422 to fund regular JRI programs at the current service level and an additional \$42,808 to fund the Supplemental program at current service level.
- **Total shortages** – Due to the above factors, Douglas County faces shortages of **\$228,690.37** for its regular JRI programs and **\$42,808** for its Supplemental JRI program for 2019/21.

The LPSCC Temporary JRI Subcommittee has been meeting over the past few months to discuss these challenges. At its July 31 meeting, the Subcommittee made the following recommendations to LPSCC:

- **Contract out RSAT beds** – Explore the idea of contracting out RSAT beds to other counties. RSAT has chronically low enrollment and there are virtually always empty beds. Currently, about 6 beds out of 18 are filled. Counties that may be interested in contracting include Coos, Josephine and Jackson. Douglas County residents would be prioritized for use of the beds.
- **Continue LPSCC Coordinator position** – Identify funding to continue the LPSCC Coordinator position on a full-time basis in Douglas County. Grant admin funds have been secured to pay for most of the position; there is a gap of approximately \$10,000 to fully fund the position through June 30, 2021.

Additional considerations:

- RSAT is facing the loss of revenue from a second, separate grant funding stream that is becoming competitive for the first time.
- Adapt has provided a scaled-back budget that details the costs of providing RSAT treatment for the 2019/21 biennium. The total budget is stated as \$367,046, which represents a significant reduction from its 2017/19 budget.
- The RSAT liaison functions are currently shared by several deputies, but the Court would like a point of contact and increased communication from the Jail about RSAT and RSAT participants.

VOTE: *Jerry Chartier moved to approve the Subcommittee's recommendations and proceed with the JRI and Supplemental JRI applications for 2019/21, with a request that there be increased communication between the RSAT liaison and the Court. Melanie Prummer seconded. **Motion passed.***

Adjournment: *Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.*

Next Meeting: *Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2019, 11:30 a.m.*