

WINNEBAGO COUNTY SAFE STREETS INITIATIVE

DATE: Friday, November 8, 2024

TIME: Noon

LOCATION: **BR III – 2nd floor, room 240**

Voting Members PRESENT: Judge Bryan Keberlein, Judge Michael Gibbs, Jon Bellows, Brianne Patzer, Chris Susa, Sheriff John Matz, Eric Sparr, Amy Geffers, Leigh Anne Kohls (Designee for Desiree Bongers)

Also PRESENT: Melissa Rasmussen, Eric Heywood, Avry Hammen, Lori Palmeri, Morgan Hoffman, Erica Roberts, Sabra Lotto, Faith Lohry-Jarvenpaa, Brian Defferding, Ashlee Rahmlow

AGENDA

1. Call to Order: 12:05 p.m.
2. Approve agenda – Motion to approve - Sparr; second - Judge Gibbs; all in favor, motion carried.
3. Approve minutes of last meeting – No discussion needed. Motion to approve - Susa; second - Patzer; all in favor, motion carried.
4. Public Comments – No Public Comments
5. Updates and possible action on:
 - a. **Approve Desiree Bongers as new board member** – Motion to approve - Sparr; second Judge Gibbs; all in favor, motion carried.
 - b. **Winnebago County Judiciary and Public Safety Committee members** – discussion re: State Assembly Representative Lori Palmeri replacing State Assembly Representative Michael Schraa; discussion re: private citizen Brian Defferding replacing Cliff Cox - Motion to approve - Susa; second Judge Gibbs; all in favor, motion carried.
 - c. **Safe Streets:**
 - i. **Drug Court** (Amy Geffers, for Jen Delfosse),
Numbers (Updated as of 11/4/24)
Phase 1 – 6
Phase 2 – 5
Phase 3 – 4
Phase 4 – 10
Total active participants: 25
Total graduates: 176 (as of graduation on 11/7)
Pending referrals: 2
Total CS hours as of 11/4/24: 45,513.5

Updates:

We just had a commencement ceremony for three graduates yesterday. We also have another one coming up for two more graduates on 12/19. We have the graduation ceremony at 10 a.m., with a reception afterwards right at the courthouse – it seems like we lose people if we do it across the parking lot for some reason. It will again be in person, with a Zoom option offered as well. We hope you can attend either in person or virtually.

We had the annual alumni/mentor group picnic and it was another successful turnout! We also have a graduate, Jessie M., right now who is in process of attempting to obtain a grant to be able to further advance the DC mentor group program and to gain valuable resources in the community (Amy Geffers will have more information on this).

Applied for an "Operational Tune Up" training offered by All Rise. If accepted, the entire team will attend a two day training to ensure newer team members are trained and to ensure our program is staying updated on best practices as they have evolved over the last 18 years of our program.

Judge Keberlein spoke about the graduation - they had a citizen volunteer do photographs, another baked treats – this is a nice way for others to get involved, continue to spread the word. Fox 11 News gave highlights of the graduation. Graduates are wanting to remain involved.

Question from Brian Defferding wondering about what hurdles participants/the program may find. Discussed the exit interview process ensuring items have been addressed such as having a drivers license/driver safety plan in place; support finding employment; review of debts/budgeting, use of Credit Karma and addressing payment issues; review of tickets being paid. No known hurdles. However, with the upcoming All Rise tune up, it may give pieces of information that will help.

ii. Jail Reintegration (Amy Geffers)

-Monthly average clients services – 100.4. Average clients serviced by groups 325.8

iii. STAR Program (John Matz, for Dave Mack)

Assessed by UWO, 3 month data received. General Population recidivism = 11.64%. Recovery Pod = 6.98 %. The difference between might not look big but when you control for the disparity in average risk score, the recidivism rate for the recovery pod participants without treatment (recovery pod) would theoretically be 32.5%.

Discussed HOST (**H**abitual **O**ffender **S**obriety **T**ransformation), a new program collaboration with DA and WCSO. For high frequency, low risk offenders. Sgt. Rasmussen (soon to be Lt.) will oversee the supervision program with the GPS deputies. It involves **very close** community supervision through the Sheriff's office, rather than through probation and parole. December 1st is target date. Judges & agency chiefs are informed. Targeted also to help with participant's health.

Eric Sparr noted that as talked about at the last meeting, more opportunities on this diversion for those they have frequent contact with. Post plea most likely. Discussed similar to COMPASS, different from SOAR. It is the second stage of serving of their sentence, but is being handled differently on how they are serving that portion of their sentence.

Screening questions/discussion: 3 to 5 year history, does it fit criteria, is the level of charge appropriate? Eligibility, usually 25+ years of age. If younger, would look at other alternatives. This is focused for participants where other programs previously did not work for them, or a diversion program was not in effect at the time it could have helped them.

iv. 24/7 Alcohol (Amy Geffers),
-monthly client average – 111.7

Judge Keberlein shared story of a defendant wanting to be put back on 24/7 Alcohol program. His staff walked them over to program services at Orrin King Building so they could speak to someone to receive help.

Question arose re: OWI sentences served in the jail, are they through GPS? Yes.

v. 24/7 Drug (Amy Geffers),
-monthly client average – 63.3

vi. Connect (Amy Geffers),
-monthly client average – 57.6

Discussed having 30 walk-ins at Orrin King Building, were able to direct them to services. SSRT “continue on services” – referrals come from attorney or voluntarily on their own. Question/discussion re: any service gaps known. None known. Staff has good connections with other programs/services available in the community. Recently learned about a parenting program offered at the Salvation Army.

vii. SSTOP (Tara Notzke),

OPEN SSTOP

	Totals	Percentage
Males	30	73.17%
Females	11	26.83%
Total	41	

TRTMT VS EDUCATION	Trtmt	Education	% Trtmt	% Education
Males	19	7	63.33%	23.33%
Females	7	2	63.64%	18.18%

CLOSED SSTOP

	Total	Percentage
Males	1158	74.47%
Females	397	25.53%
Total	1555	

	2nd	3rd
OWI	847	705

D/C Status	R	Percentage	D	Percentage
Males	244	80.53%	892	73.17%
Females	59	19.47%	327	26.83%
Total	303		1219	

	R	Percent of Reoffenses	D	Percent of Reoffenses
Total	116	38.28%	219	17.97%

Total CS Completed	44282.2
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viii. Teen Court (Amy Geffers)

-monthly client average – 15.9

Moved from conducting at WCSO to now in Court Commissioner Heywood's Courtroom, room 150, on Tuesday of the monthly County Board meeting. Working with Juvenile Justice Intake.

d. District Attorney Diversion Programs (Eric Sparr)

Programs are for both pre-charge and post-charge.

Now includes Mental Health Court.

DA Office Diversion Numbers as of 11-1-2024

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	11/1/2024								
2		Active	Pending Offers	Extension Pending	Pending Offers-Warrant	Pending Dismissal	Pending Revo's	Pending Revo's Warrant	TOTALS
3	Pre-Charge Misdemeanor	44	6						50
4	Pre-Charge Felony	4	1						5
5	Pre-Charge Drug								0
6	Pre-Charge Worthless Check								0
7	Total Number of Precharge Agreements	48							
8	Post-Charge Misdemeanor	76	13				13	18	120
9	Post-Charge Felony	24	5				5	1	35
10	Child Support	2						3	5
11	SOAR Phase 2	3	1				2	1	7
12	Total Number of Post Charge Agreements	105							
13	GRAND TOTALS	153	26	0	0	0	20	23	222
14									
15	Post Charge Mental Health Court DAA	1							

e. Mental Health Court (Judge Gibbs)

One participant at this time. This is a pilot program voluntarily begun by the county to start. No funding. Cap for participants at this time will be two. Second referral in the works. County Executive wants to see results before funding. The TAD Grant discussed at last meeting is sounding promising. Asking for allowing eight to ten participants through that grant funding. There is open court at 1:30 pm today (on Fridays, in Judge Gibbs' Courtroom, room 211). We are in beginning stages of this program. Attorney referral likely would be made and an assessment made. There is a requirement of a diagnosis of a mental health score of medium to high risk factor. Is post-charge referral, with pre-conviction success, could result in dismissal of charges.

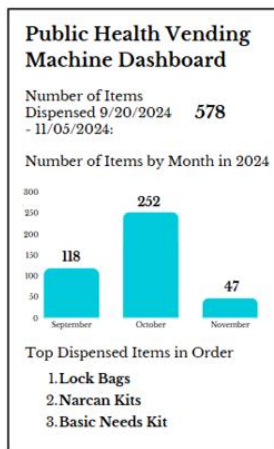
f. Breakwater -formerly WCDAC (Ashlee Rahmlow)

Awarded 5 additional years of CDC funding for Drug Free Communities. Currently recruiting for a new coordinator. Jesse Klapa, a community health worker focused on youth engagement, is working with Vel Phillips Middle School to form prevention-focused leadership groups. Also working with Boys and Girls Club.

g. Public Health (Ashlee Rahmlow for Amanda Tennyson)

Vending machines have been up 6 weeks. 578 items dispensed.

9/20/2024 - 11/05/2024



Currently working with I.T. to develop a live dashboard to see frequency and number of items being dispensed from the vending machines.

Locations are:

Oshkosh, David W. Albrecht Administration Building, 112 Otter Ave, Oshkosh WI
Neenah, Winnebago County Human Services, 211 N. Commercial St, Neenah WI

Top dispensed items in order are:

1. **Lock Bags** – question arose as to what this is. They are an extremely heavy material locked bag for prescriptions. A grant through DHS is currently providing these.

Heart You App. Additionally, Jennifer Skolaski, OFR program manager will be a speaker at TEDx Oshkosh next weekend.

2. Solutions Peer Response Team: Most of the PRT work is focused within the jail. Public health has been working with the jail to support grant writing efforts to sustain funding for the program. The Sheriff's Office was recently awarded a multi- year grant that was written by Danielle Florence, Community Health Strategist in Public Health
3. Fox Cities Victim Crisis Response: This grant allowed services to expand to include the City of Oshkosh and to include the friends and family members of those who die by overdose. FCVCR is still working to build relationships and increase referrals, specifically with OPD, as this is the newest partnership. FCVCR advocates have served 104 people in Winnebago County since April, 2024.

i. **StepUp** (Chee Vang)

Judge Keberlein was informed there are no additional updates.

6. **New Business** – None.
7. **Next Meeting** – Friday, February 28, 2025. Noon, Branch III Courtroom – 2nd floor, room 240.

➤ **PIZZA for 2/28/25 meeting – Jon Doemel**

➤ Pizza rotation schedule:

- Sheriff Matz
- DA Sparr
- Judge Keberlein
- County Executive Jon Doemel
- Judge Gibbs
- Sheriff Matz

8. **Adjourn** – Meeting concluded at 12:46 pm.

Upon request, provisions will be made for people with disabilities upon 24 hours prior notice to the Office of the County Clerk. Phone Number: 920-232-3430

****This meeting is also being posted as a committee meeting for:
Judiciary & Public Safety
Emergency Management
Facilities & Property Management**