

JAC info for Child and Youth Services Committee 8.7.18

1) Mitch

Surely all are aware of the very sad news that long-time JAC team member, Alonzo "Mitch" Mitchell, passed away unexpectedly Friday night.

Mitch was very well known in the community, as well as in Douglas County juvenile justice services.

The JAC team is a very close group, much like a family. We appreciate your conscientiousness regarding our transition to a team without Mitch.

We also would like to express our deepest condolences to those of you who knew and worked with Mitch.

2) JDAI Data Request

Beginning with the August 2nd JDAI Collaborative requests several pieces of information be included in agency or initiative reports. JAC will be adding the following:

a. DATA

JAC is adding zip code and offense(s) to the data report outs routinely shared, which already include race, ethnicity, gender and age.

b. EFFORTS

Will provide history at JDAI Collaborative.

Current: JAC professionals attended the Minority Mental Health Conference hosted by the Center for Holistic Development. Focus of this conference was meeting mental health needs for African American clients (youth and families). Follow-up activities are pending.

3) State Diversion Committee – subcommittee of the NCJJ under the Crime Commission

JAC is participating in efforts to ensure assessment and diversion efforts throughout the state which are sustained, evidence-based and can be evaluated efficiently to show effectiveness and impact.

JDAI Request attached

JAC Quarterly Data attached

**Douglas County Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (JDAI)**

**Memorandum for record:**

**From:** Douglas County JDAI Co-chairs

**To:** JDAI Collaborative Stakeholders

**Subject:** Agency reports to the JDAI Collaborative

**Request:**

As you are aware, approximately three years ago, the JDAI Collaborative invited your offices to provide updates of your work at the JDAI Collaborative meetings. Since that time, JDAI working groups have been able to drill down Douglas County data, and increase their focus on JDAI target populations (DMC and warrants). It is for this reason, streamlining our focus, that we are updating pieces of the Collaborative meeting that will impact your reporting.

The JDAI co-chairs have discussed the importance of all agencies working toward the goal of reducing the number of unnecessary youth detained in the Douglas County Youth Center (DCYC). We are requesting information from stakeholders to assist our efforts towards detention reform. Beginning with the August 2nd JDAI Collaborative we request that the following information be considered for inclusion in your reports regarding successful efforts/initiatives by your office:

- 1-Efforts to reducing the disproportionate rate of youth and families of color entering our Juvenile Justice System.
- 2-Data regarding the youth of color who have been referred to your agency in the most recent quarter.
- 3-Data regarding youth, when referred, were given the opportunity to participate in diversion, and how many youth entered our juvenile court system by race, ethnicity, gender, geography and offense, when possible.
- 4-Effort to reducing the average length of stay and average daily population at the Douglas County Youth Center.
- 5-Efforts to reduce youth detained due to warrants (specifically, unlawful absence).

Thank you for your participation in JDAI. Collaboration is the key to our success, and we appreciate your willingness to join us in focusing on our target populations to improve the lives of the youth and families we serve.

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<b>JUVENILE ASSESSMENT CENTER SNAPSHOT Q4 2017 – &amp; COMPARISON WITH Q4 2017 + CY ANNUAL 2017 – AS OF 8/3/18</b>	<b>Annual Data CY 2017 (1/1/17 – 12/31/2017)</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Data FY 2016 (4/1/17 – 6/30/17)</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Data FY 2017 (4/1/18 – 6/30/18)</b>
<b>REFERRED TO JAC for Assessment &lt;youth with delinquency charges&gt;</b>	<b>1309</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>300</b>
<b>GENDER:</b>			
MALE	810	173	188
FEMALE	499	110	112
<b>RACE:</b>			
CAUCASIAN/WHITE	561	127	122
AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK	472	98	108
HISPANIC	188	45	48
NATIVE AMERICAN	24	5	5
ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER	28	4	1
MIXED	13	0	12
OTHER/ Unknown	23	4	4
<b>AGE OF YOUTH:</b>			
7 - 11 YEARS	42	10	8
12 - 15 YEARS	674	151	159
16 - 18 YEARS	592	122	133
8, 9, & 10	9	2	0
11	33	8	8
12	73	24	14
13	121	30	27
14	182	45	46
15	298	52	72
16	290	63	74
17	286	54	54
18	16	5	5
<b>YOUTH ASSESSED</b>			
ASSESSMENT (Risk/Needs and BH)	1132	269	235

The Douglas County Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC) provides the cornerstone of evidence-based practices for juvenile justice youth service: screening and assessment. The JAC serves as the focal point for comprehensive assessment for youth coming to the attention of the Douglas County Attorney's Office (DCAO). The JAC provides to the DCAO recommendations for the most efficient and effective interventions and supervision levels for each youth.

The JAC strives to divert all eligible youth from formal processing, while recommending interventions to prevent further law violations, and enhance productive growth of young citizens. The JAC utilizes evidence-based principles such as the risk/need principle by making targeted referrals, based on screening and assessment, and referring to service providers in the community utilizing evidence-based principles, as well as monitoring utilization and effectiveness of each of these services.

DCAO is statutorily responsible for all charging decisions, to include assessment referrals and diversion approvals.

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COMPARISON WITH Q4 2017 + CY ANNUAL 2017 - AS OF 8/3/18		(4/1/17 - 6/30/17)	-- 6/30/18)
<b>YOUTH PLACED ON DIVERSION &lt;youth with delinquency charges&gt;</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>173</b>
<b>GENDER:</b>			
MALE	468	123	99
FEMALE	302	88	74
<b>RACE:</b>			
CAUCASIAN/WHITE	348	108	74
AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK	274	68	54
HISPANIC	97	24	36
NATIVE AMERICAN	14	4	2
ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER	17	6	0
MIXED	10	0	7
OTHER	10	1	0
<b>AGE OF YOUTH:</b>			
7 - 11 YEARS	24	12	4
12 - 15 YEARS	392	108	88
16 - 18 YEARS	354	91	81
8, 9, & 10	5	1	0
11	19	11	4
12	53	13	4
13	77	20	17
14	111	40	32
15	151	35	35
16	185	44	39
17	164	45	38
18	5	2	4
<b>YOUTH DIVERTED FROM SYSTEM</b>			
DIVERSION COMPLETE	618	178	178
WARNING LETTERS	269	68	53
Recommend Nolle Pros	40	8	14
<b>Total (Delinquency matters) Diverted</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>245</b>
<b>Youth Impact Identified</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>81</b>
<b>Youth Impact Team Meetings</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Youth Impact Diverted</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Status Referrals Received</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>21</b>
	<b>2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR TOTAL</b>		<b>2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR TO-DATE</b>
<b>Truancy Referrals Received</b>	<b>1436</b>		<b>1277</b>