



CCJJ Presentation to EOCJ Appropriations Subcommittee

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1. Agency Overview

- ▶ Coordinates criminal and juvenile justice policy among the various branches and levels of government
- ▶ Conducts on-going research and seeks to implement justice programming using evidence-based practices
- ▶ Manages Utah's Victim Compensation Fund to assist the recovery of those victimized by violent crime
- ▶ Directs grant funding to strengthen criminal justice policy
- ▶ Coordinates judicial nominating commissions throughout the state
- ▶ Assists Utah in meeting obligations in providing indigent criminal defense
- ▶ Prepares judicial evaluations for use by judges for self-improvement and by voters for retention elections



Agency Overview cont.

▶ **Affiliated Entities:**

- ▶ Utah Substance Use and Mental Health Advisory Council
- ▶ Sentencing Commission
- ▶ Utah Board of Juvenile Justice
- ▶ Office of Domestic and Sexual Violence
- ▶ Utah Office for Victims of Crime
- ▶ Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission
- ▶ Indigent Defense Commission



INDIGENT DEFENSE COMMISSION

Overview: Created in 2016 legislative session. 11 commissioners representing statewide indigent defense stakeholders. Previously no state oversight, guidance, or funding. Exec. Director hired Oct. 2016.

IDC Duties:

- Adopt guiding principles
- Collect data
- Direct grant monies

Successes:

- ▶ Staff hired
 - ▶ Achieving performance measures
 - Identified county & city justice court systems
 - Budget estimates
 - Website up
- * Juab County Pilot Indigent Defense Grant Project

Challenges:

- All new!
- Data issues

LFA Budget Reallocation – savings from staff to protect grant funding



2. Successes

- ▶ Conducted thorough review of the juvenile justice system and issued the Juvenile Justice Working Group Final Report
- ▶ Published the 1st JRI annual report
- ▶ Continued the implementation of the Risk and Need Screening Database
- ▶ Revised Adult Sentencing and Release Guidelines to address initial implementation concerns while maintaining the long-term policy goals of JRI
- ▶ Incorporated data and research into the aggravating and mitigating factors in sentencing guidelines
- ▶ The Utah Substance Abuse Advisory Council expanded its scope to include mental health issues, and re-named the Council the "Utah Substance Use and Mental Health Advisory Council" or USAAV+. This expansion will ensure the Council addresses behavioral health issues from an integrated care, policy, and financing perspective, which is an evidence-based practice.



Successes Cont.

- ▶ CCJJ and UVOC provided direct support through grants to over 200 public and private criminal justice providers throughout the state. These grants provide benefits and services to victims of crime. Additionally, they help to enhance criminal justice programs, provide staff training and improve the operational effectiveness of Utah law enforcement, courts, corrections, treatment services, criminal defense and prosecution.
- ▶ Grants from CCJJ and UVOC that are active in the Governor's SUCCESS program met, on average, 75% of all measurable objectives last year (a 17.5% improvement over the established baseline for CCJJ/UOVC grant measurable objectives)
- ▶ UOVC greatly increased its awareness, capacity and ability to access and serve some of Utah's most isolated and undeserved populations



Successes JPEC

- ▶ Implemented a performance evaluation of justice court judges with mid-sized case loads, providing a more substantive evaluation for an additional third of all justice court judges. Evaluations feature in-person court user exit interviews with court participants including litigants, witnesses, court staff, bailiffs, and attorneys.
- ▶ Launched a new website before the 2016 elections, judges.utah.gov. The website is now mobile-friendly, which allows for easy viewing at the ballot box and is consistent with user traffic growth. JPEC doubled its website viewership over 2014 election levels.



3. Challenges

- ▶ **Implementation of the Justice Reinvestment Initiative (JRI)**
 - ▶ Implementing evidence-based practices statewide and allowing time for changes to be realized
 - ▶ Combating anecdotal information and securing factual data
 - ▶ Data tracking for adherence to or deviation from the sentencing guidelines
 - ▶ Funding gap for treatment



4. LFA Budget Reallocations FY18

Funding Item Name	On-going Amount	Description (from LFA)	Comments/Impact
JPEC	(\$9,700)	JPEC compensation reduction	Recent changes in Judicial Performance Evaluation personnel combined with planned hiring will allow this ongoing reduction to take place
County Incentive Grant	(\$44,000)	County Incentive Grant reduction	This grant money is part of the Justice Reinvestment Initiative which passed during the 2015 General Session and reduces the amount of county incentive grant money by 2%.
Indigent Defense Commission	(\$10,000)	Indigent Defense Commission – Personnel Savings	Projected salary expenses for the Commission staff will allow this ongoing reduction to take place
Jail Reimbursement	(\$279,300)	Jail Reimbursement percentage reduction	A 2% reduction will be prorated among the participating county jails
Extraditions	(\$43,900)	Extradition budget reduction	The program can continue to function at this reduced level of funding assuming that the average cost and number of extraditions do not increase



5. Federal Funds

Grants	FY17 One-Time Suppl.	FY18
Victim Assistance Grants	-	\$20,600,000
Violence Against Women Grant	-	\$1,500,000
Juvenile Justice Grants	-	\$1,369,394
Justice Assistance Grants	-	\$2,930,570
National Sexual Assault Kit Grant	-	\$1,281,947
Federal Justice Reinvestment Grant	\$454,534	\$272,720
Criminal History/Records Improvement Grant	-	\$1,100,000
Other Victim Grants	-	\$285,000
Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Grant	-	\$177,444
Other Grants	-	\$92,000
TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS	\$454,534	\$29,609,075

6. Performance Measures

Line Item	Measures
CCJJ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percent of victim claims processed within the last 30 days or less (Target=75%) • Number of grants monitored (Target=80%) • Percent of offenders booked and screened into larger county jails* (Target=65%)
Indigent Defense	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percent of indigent defense providers identified (Target=90%) • Identify existing baseline budgets for indigent defense providers (Target=80%) • Develop website for reporting (Target=80% complete)
Jail Reimbursement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Percent of the 50 percent avg. daily incarceration rate paid to counties (Target=87%)

*Includes Salt Lake, Utah, Cache, Weber, and Washington County

