

**Durham Community Safety and Wellness Task Force Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2021**

Members Present:

Xavier Carson	Tyler Whittenberg
Marcia Owens	Samuel Scarborough
Isaac Villegas	Alec Greenwald
Shanise Hamilton	Andrea Hudson
Tonya Williams Leathers	Manju Rajendran
Mike Sstrom	Jesse Huddleston
Jennifer Carrol	Jatoia Potts

Support Staff Present: Amber Wade, Ajenai Clemmons, Dr. Dwayne Campbell

Elected Liaisons Present: Jillian Johnson, Nimasheena Burns, Javiera Caballero

Meeting

Welcome and Moment of Silence

Xavier and Marcia introduced Dr. Dwayne Campbell and Ajenai Clemmons
Task force members shared values they are bringing to the work and to the evening's conversation that ranged from radical love and humility to belonging and resilience.

Review of the By-Laws for the Task Force

Required to review all the existing resources to identify gaps and provide recommendations.

Must have three listening sessions in the first three months of meeting.

Share the task force recommendations with the public.

The task force must provide quarterly reports to the various stakeholders in the community.

The task force will begin to look at five key areas: school resource officers (SROs), Durham County drug court, violence interrupter program, community non-violence and de-escalation, and crisis intervention.

Community resource panel will work with the task force to accomplish their goals.

Presentation 1

Guadrin Parmer, Director of the Durham County Criminal Justice Resource Center (CJRC) presenting "[Durham Sequential Intercept Map 2019](#)" and "[Durham Stepping Up Initiative](#)"

Guadrin discussed the scope of work at the CJRC

The CJRC created a Sequential Intercept Map (SIM) for Durham to identify how someone moves through the criminal justice system in Durham County.

The SIM of Durham will help identify how to best help a person living with a mental illness.

Gudrun walked task force members through the SIM from intercept 0 (community resources) to through intercept 5 (community corrections and supports)

The SIM of Durham will help identify gaps and opportunities for mental health resources in Durham.

Ajenai Clemmons summarized the key points of the presentation and facilitated a conversation with task force members.

The CJRC identified four key priorities in Durham: community education (making residents aware of existing mental health resources in Durham), access to housing, length of stay in detention center for people living with a mental illness, and gaps in service for people living with a mental illness.

Key Interest Areas for the SWTF

Marcia asked task force members and the public to help identify what services and organizations are most important in Durham for the community regarding the five key areas mentioned above.

The five key areas will be used to create roundtables. All task force members will participate in at least one roundtable.

The task force expressed interest in having more than three listening sessions.

Council Member Javiera Caballero suggested the task force include multi-lingual spaces in the community through the resources available to the task force.

Task force members expressed interest in having listening sessions centered around community members experiences regarding the task force areas of interest.

Next Meeting Topics

The next meeting will be May 26.