

CLS RT Meeting
October 6, 2021

Members Present: Marcia Owens, Andrea Hudson

Guests Present: Gudrun Parmer, Renee Shaw, Kelly Andrews, Roshanna Parker, Karen Shaw, Dwayne Campbell, and James Spiers

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Diversion Programs
 - a. Stakeholders involved in the Misdemeanor Diversion Program answered questions from roundtable members
 - b. Two Diversion Option- MDP and Post Arrest Diversion Program
 - i. MDP keeps criminal record clean for first time criminal incidences.
 1. DPD led
 2. Evolving to serve any age
 - ii. PADP referral from DA for lower-level felony cases
 1. Only opened 20 cases for PAD
 2. Defense attorneys and DA office led
 3. Nine participants have successfully completed PADP, one stopped coming to group, one closed out b the DA office
 - iii. Traffic court has some diversion programs
 - iv. Goal- completely keep people out of jail long term
 - c. CJRC has an open capacity for diversion programs
 - d. All diversion programs are free for participants
 - e.
3. Mental Health Court
 - a. Goal- To get individuals connected to treatment, services, and resources and not cycle in and out o system
 - b. Person m must be 18 have a mental health issue with a precipitating event
 - c. Must be Durham County resident
 - d. Anyone can make a referral, but it must go through their attorney
 - e. Everything is confidential
 - f. Program lasts 6-12 months
 - g. Medication management is guaranteed
 - h. Housing is provided short term
 - i. Fact Team that has specialized training in the justice system
 - j. Can be referred to the DEER program
 - k. Prearrest diversion is the most important invetsment
4. Drug treatment Court

- a. Post adjudication- after the whole court process
- b. Eligible persons must be a Durham County resident and be given probation
- c. Goal is to get high risk, high needs individuals with at least 150 days after credit
- d. Court supervised program
- e. Do not admit person convicted of selling drugs within 7 years
 - i. Exceptions made for persons experiencing substances use issues
- f. Currently have 24 active clients (average is 25-30 clients)
- g. Clients required to do community support programs
- h. If the program is completed, graduating participants get their probation terminated if they don't owe restitution

5. Closing