



Behavioral Health Steering Committee

530 Fund Sub-Committee

March 9, 2022

Attendees

Deborah Hill, Shenna Oriabure, **Charlene Randolph, Trina Crosby, Vickie Rice, Teresa Saulsberry, Audrey Garnett, Bryan Smith**, Kimberly Duran, Crystal Garland, Jerry Barker, LaShonda Jefferson, Dr. Marta King, Dr. Jill Johansson-Love, **Serena McNair, Judge Audrey Moorehead**, Laura Edmonds, **Judge Kristin Wade**, Patrick Arnold, **Judge Jennifer Bennett, Julie Turnbull, Ashley Horne, Judge La'Donna Harlan**, Daphne Reynolds (bold type indicates designated voting representatives)

Review/Approval of Minutes

Deborah Hill called the meeting to order at 9:01am and asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Audrey Garnett made a motion to approve the minutes. Judge Moorehead seconded the motion and the group accepted the minutes.

Turtle Creek Manor Presentation

Daphne Reynolds presented on the Turtle Creek Manor (TCM) Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment Program. Ms. Reynolds is TCM's Outpatient Director and counselor. The program's demographic is homeless and/or without insurance. Ms. Reynolds described the 18-week program, (6 weeks intensive, 6 weeks supportive, and 6 weeks aftercare). COPSD services are incorporated for dual diagnosis. Groups are three times a week (5:30pm-8:30pm). Currently groups are virtual via Zoom but will resume in person when COVID numbers improve. Current clientele includes those on probation and/or with CPS cases. Ms. Reynolds is working on creating an alumni group. Julie Turnbull inquired about the prospect of inpatient services from Turtle Creek Manor or TCM's interest in responding to a RFP. Ms. Reynolds will check with the clinical director.

530 Fund Balance and Update

Deborah Hill provided an update of the 530 Fund Balance. Funding is located in two accounts, an escrow account and General Fund 120. Some funds are still being collected under the drug and intoxication fee structure; those funds are applied to the escrow account. Currently the balance for the Felony account (4020) is \$195,162.81 and the Misdemeanor account (4031) is \$69,181.45 for a total of \$264,344.26. The general fund (120) is for fees assessed on all offenses. Fund 120 has a total of \$48,636.68. An overview of the 530 Fund FY2022 expenditures was included in the meeting packet. There are 270 bus passes remaining.

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Drug Testing

Deborah Hill provided an update of the 530 specialized drug testing utilization total for FY22. Total invoiced under the drug testing line item is \$2,388.60 which leaves a balance of \$22,611.40. A total of 24 drug patches have been administered. Utilization of drug patch: 5% were no shows and 95% received patch services. Of those clients that received drug patches: 47% positive, 17% results pending, 28% negative, 8% unable to test (no patch intact at removal, did not return for removal). A report was provided in the meeting packet.

Transitional Housing

A written report was provided in the meeting packet. There are 2 specialty court participants in Salvation Army transitional housing. The breakdown is 1 male participant and 1 female participant. The court utilization breakdown is 1 STAC and 1 MHJD. There is no one on the waitlist. Referred individuals are no longer required to present proof of a negative COVID-19 test. The Salvation Army has secured onsite rapid COVID testing. Please send referrals to specialtycourts@dallascounty.org and clients will be added to waitlist. Housing is for participants who are chronically homeless. The benefit is participants can stay in the transitional housing for up to 6 months.

A written report on Recovery Beds was provided in the meeting packet. There is 1 specialty participant (DDC) currently in Salvation Army recovery housing. There is no one on the waitlist. The funding will pay for 6 participants to be housed for 90 days. Each court has an opportunity to utilize a bed but the resource may be exhausted prior to that occurrence. The resource is utilized on a first come, first served basis. A certified court can only use a total of 90 days of the resource per fiscal year.

Request for Funding

No requests were received.

Texas State Office of Governor Update

Keta Dickerson was not present to provide an update.

Training

Deborah Hill opened the discussion on if the Implicit Bias training should be full or half day. The training would be facilitated by the same trainer as the Urban Trauma 101 training. A vote approving to have the Implicit Bias training previously occurred. A summary document for the proposed training was included in the meeting packet. Charlene Randolph inquired how this training differs from the County sponsored and required Implicit Bias training. Shenna Oriabure advised the trainings cover the same topic with similar themes. The difference would be with the presenter's knowledge and lived experience. The proposed training was first researched prior to the County's mandated implicit bias training. Shenna advised the vote can be delayed allowing for further research and follow-up. Charlene advised the implicit bias training offered by Dallas County was good, but a common feedback was the County sponsored training was too

brief. Charlene expressed hopes the proposed training will allow deeper conversation and uptake of information. Shenna opined that potential attendees are intimidated by full day trainings which then impacts participation. Shenna hoped the proposed training would be more specific to the Criminal Justice population. Audrey Garnett values the idea of making it a full day training but based off the attendance of the last seminar would like to ensure the training will be well attended. Julie inquired to the number of attendees at the Urban Trauma 101. There were 41 attendees. Vickie Rice presented the idea of receiving the implicit bias training free via Dallas County or NTBHA. To make an informed decision a request was made to view the training agendas side by side. Kimberly Duran suggested advance notice to allow potential attendees to schedule. Charlene opined spending money to duplicate a free and readily available resource is not advisable. Charlene stated it may be best to direct resources to another training topic. Judge Moorehead stated trainings work better in person versus full day on the computer; the full benefit is not reached. Judge Bennett opined that a whole day on a computer seems excessive and asked the presenter tailor training to the group's specific needs. In May, Shenna will provide more information related to half vs. full day agenda, other training topics, and in person option.

TASC

The Texas Association of Specialty Courts (TASC) Conference is coming up April 2022 in Corpus Christi. Each 530 stipend is \$1,000. The stipend amount will cover the majority of expenses but not all. Those attending under 530 funding will likely incur personal expenses that will not be reimbursed. Attendees are encouraged to carpool and share rooms. The 5 larger courts (4C, AIM, DIVERT, STAC, IIP) receive 2 stipends per court, the 9 smaller courts receive 1 stipend per court, and 1 stipend for Keta Dickerson-OOG representative. The approved funding for TASC is \$20,000.

Specialty Court Video Production

The purpose of the video production is to present information on each individual specialty court. The long form video is an overview of specialty courts in Dallas County. Specialty court video production was approved in the FY2020 budget but production was delayed due to COVID-19. Permission was obtained to extend the production and contract into FY2022. The production is still underway. The long form 10-minute video (for the overview of all County specialty courts) is near completion. The director is going to record some B-roll footage. Chief Richardson did an amazing job as narrator. A rough cut of the video should be available in April. Filming of the individual specialty court videos is slated to begin in May.

National Drug Court Month

Deborah Hill advised National Drug Court Month is coming up in May 2022. Serena McNair suggested the acknowledgement of each specialty court with certificates; a way to show appreciation and recognition of the court and the court team. Serena advised there is hard work being done in these courts. Serena advised due to COVID and even before, the appreciation has died down. Serena also suggested to announce each courts' tenure at Commissioners Court. Arnold Patrick echoed Serena's sentiments. Any recognition that can be done will go a long way. Deborah asked for speakers for the resolution. This information is needed for coordination purposes.

Announcements

There is a Community Mental Health Seminar sponsored by Judge Mike Jones on March 11, 2022. A 530 Fact Sheet is in the works. The fact sheet will provide information about 530. Deborah Hill advised of a goal to increase involvement, engagement, and discussion related to 530. The committee wants to hear more about what courts are doing and resources. Every meeting attendee has a voice. Deborah encouraged people to speak up and reminded the group that anyone can speak not only voting member. Deborah expressed the desire to create an environment where people feel comfortable with talking during the meeting. Another addition to upcoming meetings is Department Updates on the agenda. The April 2022 530 subcommittee meeting was cancelled due to scheduling conflict with TASC. TASC is April 11-13, 2022 in Corpus Christi. Kimberly Duran advised there are rooms available at the Omni. The room block is secured through March 10th. Email Amber Gregory before cancelling any room reservations as others may need the room. OOG Grant progress reports are due 3/15/2022.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 am and will reconvene on 5/11/2022 at 9:00 am via Teams.