



Behavioral Health Steering Committee

530 Fund Sub-Committee

August 10, 2022

Attendees

Deborah Hill, **Shenna Oriabure, Trina Crosby, Vickie Rice, Audrey Garnett, Bryan Smith, Kimberly Duran, Crystal Garland, LaShonda Jefferson, Dr. Marta King, Laura Edmonds, Julie Turnbull, Judge La'Donna Harlan, Judge Kristin Wade, Judge Audrey Moorehead, Judge Sandra Jackson, Judge Lela Lawrence Mays, Serena McNair, Jerry Barker, Andrea Sollie, Charlene Randolph, Judge Raquel "Rocky" Jones**, Shalonda Collins, (bold type indicates designated voting representatives)

Review/Approval of Minutes

Deborah Hill called the meeting to order at 9:02 am and asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Julie Turnbull made a motion to approve the minutes. Serena McNair seconded the motion and the group accepted the minutes.

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 \$176,682.26 and the Misdemeanor account (4031) is \$65,601.47 for a total of \$242,283.73. The general fund (120) is for fees assessed on all offenses. Fund 120 has a total of \$96,305.46. An overview of the 530 Fund FY2022 expenditures was included in the meeting packet. There are 0 bus passes remaining. Additional bus passes will be ordered. Deborah encouraged courts to utilize incentive funding. The last day to purchase incentives for FY2022 is September 30, 2022.

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 \$5,132.60 which leaves a balance of \$19,867.40. A total of 85 drug patches have been administered. Utilization of drug patch: 2% were no shows and 98% received patch services. Of those clients that received drug patches: 33% positive, 11% results pending, 36% negative, 20% 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 0 specialty court participants in Salvation Army transitional housing. There are three participants 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 are 0 specialty court participants 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 for funding were received.

Texas State Office of Governor Update

The meeting packet included a document with revenue projections from HB 1256 and court costs.

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. Filming of the individual specialty court videos concluded in July 2022. Shenna Oriabure will provide access to the specialty court judges to view individual court videos and provide feedback. After feedback is received final edits will be completed. The project must be completed by the end of the County fiscal year.

FY2023 Budget

Deborah Hill advised the FY2023 Budget vote will be conducted. Historical budget data from 2021 and the current year were provided in written form. Option #1 from the previous month's discussion was provided in the packet for discussion. There is approximately \$338,000 in all accounts. Estimated credits for FY2023 is \$10,000 a month or \$120,000 for the year. The recommendation is for an operating budget between \$170,000 and \$200,000. There was a robust discussion. Julie Turnbull moved to accept Option #1 as amended below. Judge Harlan seconded

the motion. All voting members approved the proposed budget. Internal protocols will be adjusted to allow individual courts flexibility in the utilization of the drug testing line item. Courts will be allowed to use, an amount to be determined later, on UAs, drug patches, and alcohol monitoring devices.

Dept	Account	Line Item	FY 2023 Budget
4031	2920	Drug Testing	\$25,000.00
4020	4210	Training	\$70,000.00
4020	6620	Inpatient Treatment	\$5,000.00
4020	6620	Transitional Housing Salvation Army (6 months)	\$19,960.00
4020	6620	Transitional Housing Salvation Army (<90 days)	\$44,100.00
4031	2240	Incentives	\$15,000.00
4020	5590	Transportation	\$5,940.00
4031	2160	Office Supplies	\$0.00
4020	5099	Ongoing Video Production	\$5,000.00
		Operating Total	\$190,000.00

Department Updates

Criminal Justice Department: Deborah Hill advised CJD is spearheading a Commissioner Court Resolution for National Recovery Month.

Community Supervision and Corrections Department: Serena McNair advised all specialty courts are in-person/face-to-face. Although some courts are only meeting bi-weekly.

District Attorney's Office: Julie Turnbull encouraged the group to visit the District Attorney's website. The Restorative Justice Division portion of the website has been updated. There is a tab for diversion programs to make things more accessible. Referral forms and consents to proceed with assessments for pretrial diversion is also available online. Documents can be emailed directly to jaildiversion@dallascounty.org. STOP class is a program for males arrested for solicitation of prostitution that must complete the course as a condition of probation or PTI. The class is 8 hours and participants must register online. The class is quarterly and back in person. The next class is October 14th. The details are online via the website under diversion program.

Public Defender's Office: Vickie Rice advised of no updates at this time.

Judiciary: Judge Harlan advised of a STAC graduation scheduled for August 19, 2022.

National Recovery Month

Deborah Hill encouraged courts to announce any planned activities for National Recovery Month. Deborah also is looking into having a resolution in Commissioners Court. Anyone who has a speaker please contact Deborah.

Announcements

The Big Texas Rally for Recovery is scheduled for Saturday, September 17th in Coppell. Vickie Rice advised of an upcoming job fair and free trauma training. Vickie provided the links in the meeting chat. The 2nd Chance Job and Resource Fair is scheduled for August 27, 2022 9am to 1pm at 115 W. Beltline Road Desoto, Texas 75115. Creating Trauma Informed Lawyers, Judges and Partners: An Interactive Trauma Training is scheduled for September 16, 2022 9:00am-5:00pm. Judge Harlan advised a person with a disability or receiving government assistance can receive discounted DART passes through an app.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 10:08 am and will reconvene on 9/14/2022 at 9:00 am via Teams.