



Accomplishments and Initiatives of the Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee and the Criminal Justice Planning Unit

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2009

The Jefferson County Detention Facility Use Plan continues successfully for a second year. The Jefferson County Sheriff and the First Judicial District Chief Judge, with assistance from the Criminal Justice Planning staff, renewed the 2009 Jefferson County Detention Facility Use Plan for 2010. During 2009, the jail population level was maintained within the targeted number. The Facility was not crowded during the year, and it met the needs of local justice system agencies. In addition, the Plan enabled the Sheriff's Office to continue to increase its revenue through its contract with the U.S. Marshals Service. Criminal Justice Planning staff also assisted the Sheriff's Office in maintaining an updated email list of all judges within Jefferson County so that they could receive monthly their jail bed use reports.

Criminal Justice Planning staff facilitates a presentation on DUI/DWAI sentencing options to the District Attorney's Office.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff, with staff from the First Judicial District's Probation Department, the Sheriff's Office, and the local Inmate/Outmate Program, presented information on the results of a quasi-experimental outcome evaluation of the sentencing options for repeat DUI offenders, as well as the resulting "First Judicial District of Colorado's Desk Reference for Matching DUI/DWAI Offenders to Sentencing Options" and other informational materials. The presentation enabled new deputy district attorneys who staff the county court divisions to learn about the sentencing options available to first-time and multiple DUI/DWAI offenders.

The Jefferson County Recovery Court is implemented.

Based on the work of the Drug Court Task Force, with the assistance of the Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff, the Jefferson County Recovery Court served its first client. By year's end, the Court was serving approximately 20 clients who have substance abuse problems and are near failure with the terms and conditions of their sentence to probation or diversion. In addition, a Recovery Court Coordinator was hired by the County's Justice Services Division to staff the Court. In January 2010, the Coordinator will become a State Judicial Department employee and continue to staff the Court.

Criminal Justice Planning staff creates case management database for the newly operational Recovery Court.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff designed and created a Microsoft Access database for use by the Recovery Court Coordinator to track case information on all recovery Court clients. The database was constructed to facilitate subsequent process and outcome evaluation of the Recovery Court.

Criminal Justice Planning staff writes a grant application for the newly formed Jefferson County Recovery Court.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff wrote a federal grant application to help fund the operations of the newly created Jefferson County Recovery (Drug) Court.

The First Judicial District Criminal Case ADR/Mediation Project is terminated.

The First Judicial District Chief Judge terminated this project because of a lack of referrals. The State's Office of Dispute Resolution collected information from this project to inform future efforts to increase the mediation/alternate dispute resolution of criminal cases in Colorado.

The Colorado Improving Supervised Pretrial Release (CISPR) project progresses.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff continues to lead the 10-county initiative to develop evidence-based policies and practices for pretrial service programs in Colorado. There are two main components to this project: (1) the development of a validated pretrial risk assessment instrument, to be called the Colorado Bond Conditions Assessment (COBCA), to replace the various, more subjectively derived risk assessment instruments currently used in each county; and (2) evidence-based supervision protocols that match pretrial release supervisory techniques to each defendant's specific risk profile to lessen that risk. Upon completion of this project, pretrial service programs will be able to make research-based recommendations about conditions of bond to judges and magistrates who set these conditions. This initiative has the potential to benefit all pretrial supervision programs in the state. The CISPR project was partially funded by an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice.

The Jefferson County Bail Project continues.

The System Performance Subcommittee, with the assistance of Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff, continued its work on the Jefferson County Bail Project. The purpose of this project is to improve the administration of bail and pretrial services in the First Judicial District. During the year, Subcommittee members, staff from relevant agencies, and planning staff planned all aspects of the Jefferson County Bail Impact Study (to begin in early 2010), which will serve as an impact study to test the effectiveness of bail administration that is more risk-based and less money-based. In September-October of 2009, the Subcommittee successfully completed a one-week pre-pilot project to prepare for the impact study.

Criminal Justice Planning staff help redesign Pretrial Services Unit's programming.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provided research for and facilitated meetings with Pretrial Services managers to redesign many programmatic and operational policies and procedures (e.g., staff workload and caseload analysis and planning, procedures for enhancing pretrial risk assessment, procedures for managing defendant's behavior and responding to

violations of bond, options for generating revenue) for the purpose of Pretrial Services' participation in the Jefferson County Bail Project and Bail Impact Study.

Criminal Justice Planning staff holds informational and orientation sessions for agencies participating in the Jefferson County Bail Impact Study.

Criminal Justice Planning staff presented or provided information on the upcoming (in 2010) Jefferson County Bail Impact Study to staff in the Pretrial Services Unit, Sheriff's Office, state courts' employees, private defense bar, victims' service providers, and Public Defender's Office.

Criminal Justice Planning staff writes an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act 2009 Byrne/Justice Assistance Grant application for the Jefferson County Pretrial Pilot Project (Bail Impact Study).

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff wrote a grant application, which was funded at \$474,000, to hire up to nine staff for one to two years in the Justice Services Division's Pretrial Services Unit. The hiring of the staff made the Jefferson County Bail Impact Study possible, at no additional cost to the county government.

Criminal Justice Planning staff presents research on improving the administration of bail.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff presented findings from legal and statistical research on improving the administration of bail and the pretrial process to the Boulder County Bar Association, Criminal Law Section, and the Colorado Criminal Defense Bar, Jefferson County Chapter. Attendees received continuing legal education credit.

Criminal Justice Planning staff notifies local policy-makers of grant opportunities.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provided regular updates about available grants to local policy-makers. The list focuses primarily on grants related to crime and delinquency prevention and intervention, many of which are aligned with the initiatives of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee and its three subcommittees.

Criminal Justice Planning staff provides State Judicial Department with information and ideas for initiating and expanding the use of electronic citations.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provided information technology staff from the State Judicial Department with information necessary for initiating and expanding a procedure for implementing electronic citations for state and municipal offenses. Staff acted as liaison between State Judicial and local law enforcement to facilitate implementation of electronic citations in the First Judicial District.

Criminal Justice Planning staff provides technical assistance on response to violations and revocation practices to the First Judicial District's Probation Department.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff analyzed data on all reported revocations for adults and juveniles during 2008 and provided the Chief Probation Officer and unit supervisors with detailed analyses on the effectiveness of their policies and procedures on response to violations. Supervisors used the information to design individual employee performance plans and monitor compliance with departmental policies. In addition, the analyses provided baseline and outcome data for the County's House Bill 04-1451 Interagency Oversight Group.

Criminal Justice Planning staff hosts guests from another jurisdiction.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff hosted five professionals from the criminal justice coordinating committee in Coconino County, Arizona. These professionals met with their Jefferson County counterparts and planning staff to learn and share ideas about issues and initiatives of common interest.

The Criminal Justice Planning Unit staffs the newly formed Jefferson County Child and Youth Leadership Commission.

Several members of the Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit served as staff support to the newly formed Jefferson County Child and Youth Leadership Commission (CYLC). The CYLC has the mission to establish collaborative leadership to promote accountable, efficient, cost effective, and coordinated systems to increase the health and well-being of children, youth, and families in Jefferson and Gilpin Counties.

Criminal Justice Planning staff helps Wheat Ridge Police Department evaluate one of its youth programs.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assisted Wheat Ridge Police Department with an evaluation of its Peer Counselor Crisis Intervention Program. Staff helped the Department with data collection, analysis, and interpretation.

A Criminal Justice Planning staff member serves as a consultant to other jurisdictions through the National Institute of Corrections.

The technical expertise of staff and the national reputation of the Criminal Justice Planning Unit continued to grow as a staff member is employed as a part-time technical resource provider who assists policy-makers in other local justice systems improve their justice system coordination and planning capacity and efforts. In addition, staff continues to respond to inquiries from other jurisdictions nationwide about methods for improving their justice system policy planning and staff support.

A Criminal Justice Planning staff member assists the Pretrial justice institute with data collection.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff helped coordinate the collection of jail and pretrial services data from four Colorado counties for the Pretrial Justice Institute's upcoming publication.

Criminal Justice Planning Staff assists the University of Colorado at Denver's School of Public Affairs by sponsoring a student-intern.

At the request of a faculty member of the University of Colorado at Denver, Criminal Justice Planning staff sponsored a student-intern who worked on and completed her criminal justice master's degree capstone project through the CJP Unit.

Criminal Justice Planning assists the University of Nebraska with failure to appear study.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provided research and background material to a University of Nebraska professor and student working to improve their local jurisdiction's issues with defendants failing to appear for court.

Criminal Justice Planning staff assists County government with planning for future justice system needs.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provided the County's facilities staff with information that helped shape the County government's decision to renovate the Administration and Courts Building to accommodate the future needs of the County's justice system agencies.

Criminal Justice Planning staff enhances referral process for criminal justice agencies to nurse home visitation programs.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff worked with Jefferson County Public Health and local criminal justice agencies to create and revise a referral form so that all eligible mothers in the justice system can be referred to Public Health's Nurse Family Partnership or other nurse home visitation program. Staff continues to work with Public Health to monitor and increase the number of referrals and enrollment.

Criminal Justice Planning staff helps law enforcement agencies better track alcohol compliance checks.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff continues to assist local law enforcement agencies track process measures from their enforcement of vendors who sell alcohol. Staff analyzed this data, in combination with survey data from the local Youth Alcohol Intervention Program, and will present the findings and implications at a future meeting of law enforcement agencies.

Criminal Justice Planning staff present nine-plus-year criminal justice trends report.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff presented multiple criminal justice indicator trends to the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee at its November meeting. Most trends pertain to the years 2000 through 2008, while some trends date back to 1990.

Criminal Justice Planning staff produce nine-year juvenile justice trends report.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff distributed to the Child and Youth Leadership Commission an updated Jefferson County Juvenile Justice Trends Report for the years 2000-2008. Trends for the Department of Youth Corrections are included as a new section.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee meets six times.

The Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee met six times during 2009. Regularly scheduled meetings were held every other month. Attendance and participation at all meetings were excellent. Many members continue to view the Committee as the most important criminal justice-related committee on which they serve. The Criminal Justice Planning Unit provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, presentations, data, information, facilitation of discussions, etc...) at all meetings.

System Performance Subcommittee meets fourteen times.

System Performance Subcommittee members met fourteen times during 2009 to work on the Jefferson County Bail Project, which arose from the Subcommittee's addressing the policy question, "Whom should we release pretrial from the jail and why?" The Subcommittee designed the Jefferson County Bail Impact Study to begin in early 2010. Criminal Justice Planning staff

provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, presentation materials, analyses, document creation, legal research, etc...) at all meetings.

Prevention Subcommittee meets nine times.

The Prevention Subcommittee met nine times during 2009. The Subcommittee worked to expand the number of Jefferson County citizens who participate in evidence-based crime and delinquency prevention programs, such as the Nurse-Family Partnership and Life Skills Training. Criminal Justice Planning staff provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, analyses, literature reviews, presentations, etc...) at all meetings.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Subcommittee meets ten times.

The Mental Health and Substance Abuse Subcommittee met ten times during 2009. The Subcommittee used the Sequential Intercept Model for Developing Criminal Justice – Mental Health Partnerships to analyze the strengths and weaknesses of the local criminal justice system’s ability to serve the needs of criminally involved persons with mental illness. Criminal Justice Planning staff provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, data analyses, meeting facilitation, etc.) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Child and Youth leadership Commission meets ten times.

The Jefferson County Child and Youth leadership Commission met ten times during 2009. Regularly scheduled monthly meetings were held from March through December. Attendance and participation at all meetings were excellent. Commission members learned about the many services provided to youths and families, shared their ideas about the major issues facing the jurisdiction. In addition, the Commission expanded its membership and became the County’s Interagency Oversight Group pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes, Section 24-1.9-101-104 (House Bill 04-1451).

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit returns 3.6% of its 2009 budget to the County.

The Criminal Justice Planning Unit expended 96.4% of its allocated budget for the year 2009. The unexpended funds resulted from a vacant Full-Time Equivalent position for part of the year. Despite this vacancy, the remaining staff in the Unit was able to make some progress on existing initiatives of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee.

2008

The 2008 Jefferson County Detention Facility Use Plan is implemented.

The Jefferson County Sheriff and the First Judicial District Chief Judge, with assistance from the Criminal Justice Planning staff, implemented the Plan on January 24, 2008. For the duration of the year, the jail population level was maintained within the targeted number. The Facility was not crowded during the year, and it met the needs of local justice system agencies. In addition, the Plan enabled the Sheriff's Office to increase its revenue through its contract with the U.S. Marshals Service and reduce its employee overtime expenses. Criminal Justice Planning staff facilitated the implementation of the Plan, assisted the Sheriff's Office in writing its monthly report for distribution to all courts within the County, and helped roll-out the Plan to the municipal courts.

The Inmate/Outmate Program for multiple DUI offenders expands.

In response to the results of a quasi-experimental outcome evaluation of the sentencing options for repeat DUI offenders, the System Performance Subcommittee created the "First Judicial District of Colorado's Desk Reference for Matching DUI/DWAI Offenders to Sentencing Options" and other informational materials. Criminal Justice Planning staff presented the materials to district and county court judges, deputy district attorneys, deputy public defenders and private criminal defense attorneys, the Probation Department's Alcohol Unit, and the Sheriff's Office Detentions command staff. Attendees from the District Attorney's Office received 1.0 CLE credits for their participation. As a result of these presentations, the Inmate/Outmate average daily population increased from 55 to 80, resulting in 25 fewer jail inmates and their associated costs, on a daily basis.

The Colorado Improving Supervised Pretrial Release (CISPR) project progresses.

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The Colorado Improving Supervised Pretrial Release (CISPR) project begins data collection.

After completing the development of the pretrial assessment form, pretrial assessment data are now being collected by individual counties and compiled by a grant-funded research specialist housed in the Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit. By the end of 2008, approximately 80% of the pretrial assessment data had been collected.

The Colorado Improving Supervised Pretrial Release (CISPR) project is featured in national publication.

Criminal Justice Planning staff authored an invited article describing the purpose and methods of the CISPR project for the National Institute of Corrections' 2008 Topics in Community Corrections publication. The publication is about applying evidence-based practices in pretrial services.

Criminal Justice Planning staff presents on state-of-the-art pretrial risk assessment and research-based supervision study at annual pretrial services conference.

Criminal Justice Planning staff presented on the purpose and progress of the Colorado Improving Supervised Pretrial Release (CISPR) project at the 36th Annual Conference and Training Institute of the National Association of Pretrial Services Agencies (NAPSA). The presentation was part of a round table discussion on the development, revision, and use of validated pretrial risk assessment instruments.

The Drug Court Task Force recommends the creation of a specialty/drug court.

The Drug Court Task Force, after one year of research and deliberation, recommended the creation of a specialty/drug court to the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners (BCC) and other justice system stakeholders in Jefferson County. The court was approved, and the BCC created a half-time county-funded specialty court coordinator and half-time deputy district attorney position to help staff the court. The planned start date for the court is March 2009. Criminal Justice Planning staff facilitated all of the Task Force's work.

Criminal Justice Planning staff begins work on a comprehensive substance abuse treatment provider directory.

Criminal Justice Planning staff is assembling an inventory of all local substance abuse treatment agencies. The inventory will help to identify resources and gaps in local treatment, guide the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Subcommittee in its various initiatives, provide treatment information to the newly created specialty/drug court, and serve as a directory of resources for any interested criminal justice agency in the County. The directory is scheduled for roll-out in the spring of 2009.

Jefferson County participates in a cross-systems mapping of its criminal justice system for persons with mental illness.

Beginning in late 2007, Policy Research Associates (PRA) performed a systems analysis for the seven metropolitan Denver counties at the request of the Metro Area County Commissioners. The purpose was to identify strengths and gaps in how persons with mental illness are processed through the criminal justice system. The Mental Health and Substance Abuse Subcommittee and Criminal Justice Planning staff worked extensively with PRA to develop Jefferson County's contribution to the effort. The final report was issued in February 2008, and has helped guide the Metro Area County Commissioners in their work to improve services for and reduce the impact of mentally ill persons on jails and other local justice system agencies.

The First Judicial District Criminal Case ADR/Mediation Project continues.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff continued to provide the First Judicial District Court and the State's Office of Dispute Resolution with information about the status of the criminal mediation/alternate dispute resolution pilot project.

Detoxification Center Project reduces County expenses in 2008.

The Detox Center Project performed by the Justice Oversight Committee and facilitated by the Criminal Justice Planning staff in 2007 resulted in savings of approximately \$60,000 during 2008. The contract between the Justice Services division, on behalf of the County, and the detoxification center was reduced by approximately \$60,000, and no negative consequences were reported.

The Jefferson County Bail Project begins.

The System Performance Subcommittee began its work on the Jefferson County Bail Project in June of 2008. The purpose of this project is to identify opportunities for improving the administration of bail and pretrial services in the First Judicial District. Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff conducted the background research for this project, which resulted in a 100+ page comprehensive review of bail administration. Staff also facilitated the work of the Subcommittee and work groups as local decision-makers discussed topics related to the project.

Criminal Justice Planning staff helps Pretrial Services improve its service delivery.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff partnered with managers and supervisors from Jefferson County Pretrial Services to increase Pretrial Services' scope of work and to develop improved protocols for their pretrial risk assessment and pretrial supervision. These changes will facilitate the implementation of any improvements to local bail administration that may result from the Jefferson County Bail Project.

Criminal Justice Planning staff notifies local policy makers of grant opportunities.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provided monthly updates about available grants to local policy-makers. The list focuses primarily on grants related to crime and delinquency prevention and intervention, many of which are aligned with the initiatives of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee and its three subcommittees. The policy-makers reported that they applied for several different grants or planned to apply during the next grant cycle and that the list is a useful resource for their agency.

Criminal Justice Planning staff provides Sheriff's Office's Court Date Notification Program with assistance in program expansion.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provided the Sheriff's Office with analyses and recommendations on the most effective ways to expand its Court Date Notification Program. The Program expanded its court date notification (i.e., telephone call reminders of upcoming court dates) to persons with lower level misdemeanor or traffic cases.

Criminal Justice Planning staff provides technical assistance on response to violations and revocation practices to the First Judicial District's Probation Department.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff analyzed data on all reported revocations for adults and juveniles during 2007 and provided the Chief Probation Officer and unit supervisors with detailed analyses on the effectiveness of their recently adopted policies and procedures on response to violations. Supervisors used the information to design individual employee performance plans and monitor compliance with departmental policies. In addition, the analyses provided baseline data for agencies in the County that provide services to youths and their families via House Bill 1451.

Criminal Justice Planning staff assists TriWest Group in evaluating innovative program for mentally ill persons in the Jefferson County criminal justice system.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff collected criminal history data on approximately 100 participants in the TriWest Group's contracted evaluation of the grant-funded criminal justice/mental health integrated case management program, which was created from the Mental Health and Substance Abuse Subcommittee's work to improve services for mentally ill persons in the local justice system.

Criminal Justice Planning staff helps Sheriff's Office Transition Planner create a case management and reporting dataset.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff helped the Transition Planner create a dataset that enables the Transition Planner to perform her case management responsibilities for her caseload of mentally ill jail inmates. The dataset will allow for future analysis of the number and type of clients served, the nature of the clients' problems, and which types of services are available and most effective for clients with different types of mental health and related problems.

Criminal Justice Planning staff helps Jefferson County Court prepare for the 2008 Democratic National Convention.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff performed research to determine the extent of the possible demand for the Jefferson County's court-related services during the 2008 Democratic National Convention in Denver. Staff also helped coordinate the Sheriff's Office's communication of updates to the Jefferson County Combined Court.

Criminal Justice Planning staff assists with the creation of the Jefferson County Child and Youth Leadership Commission.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff helped the Human Services Department Director request that the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners (BCC) create the Jefferson County Child and Youth Leadership Commission (CYLC). The BCC created the Commission, to begin its work in January 2009, in Resolution No. 08-440. The Commission's purpose is, as public service leaders, to provide streamlined, consistent direction to integrate all children and youth services in Jefferson County.

Criminal Justice Planning staff helps local justice system agencies evaluate their programs.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff helped establish a program evaluation partnership with CU-Denver's Public Administration Graduate Program and local justice system agencies. Staff assisted the first program participant, Wheat Ridge Police Department's Peer Counselor Crisis Intervention Program, in partnering with a graduate student from CU-Denver.

In addition, staff helped the Department with data collection, analysis, and interpretation beyond that which was offered through its partnership with CU-Denver.

A Criminal Justice Planning staff member serves as a consultant to other jurisdictions through the National Institute of Corrections.

The technical expertise of staff and the national reputation of the Criminal Justice Planning Unit continue to grow as a staff member is employed as a part-time technical resource provider who assists policy-makers in other local justice systems improve their justice system coordination and planning capacity and efforts. In addition, staff continues to respond to inquiries from other jurisdictions nationwide about methods for improving their justice system policy planning and staff support.

Criminal Justice Planning staff assists County Administration with planning for future justice system needs.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provided the County Administration with ideas and analyses that helped shape the County government's efforts to most cost effectively plan, both the short- and long-term, for the building space needed for the County's justice service system agencies.

Criminal Justice Planning staff establishes referral process for criminal justice agencies to the Nurse Family Partnership.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff worked with the Jefferson County Department of Public Health and local criminal justice agencies to create a referral process, through which all eligible mothers in the justice system can be referred to the Nurse Family Partnership program. Staff coordinated presentations to each of the justice system agencies that supervise defendants and offenders. Staff continues to work with the Health Department to monitor the number of referrals and increase enrollment rates.

Criminal Justice Planning staff helps law enforcement agencies better track compliance check strategies for liquor outlets.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff coordinated two meetings with the Sheriff's Office, all municipal law enforcement agencies, and state liquor license enforcement. At the meetings, more effective strategies for compliance checks operations and the possibility of coordinated efforts among agencies were discussed. Staff developed a tracking form which local law enforcement agencies began using to take process measures of their compliance check operations. Staff will analyze the data gathered, and present the results to the law enforcement agencies to help them improve future operations.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee meets five times.

The Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee met five times during 2008. Five regularly scheduled meetings were held every other month. Attendance and participation at all meetings were excellent. Many members continue to view the Committee as the most important criminal justice-related committee on which they serve. The Criminal Justice Planning Unit provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, presentations, data, information, facilitation of discussions, etc...) at all meetings.

System Performance Subcommittee meets ten times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from local justice agencies, identified, analyzed, discussed, and made recommendations on several policy issues. The Subcommittee answered the policy question, “To whom should we expand the Inmate/Outmate program and why?” and began addressing the policy question, “Whom should we release pretrial from the jail and why?” Criminal Justice Planning staff provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, presentation materials, analyses, program outcome evaluation, literature reviews, etc...) at all meetings.

Prevention Subcommittee meets eight times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and school systems, actively pursued the increased use of evidence-based violence and substance abuse prevention and intervention programs in an effort to prevent crime, delinquency, and substance abuse (particularly in youths), which will in turn reduce the workload of the local justice system. As a result of the Subcommittee’s efforts, a larger number of children from infancy through adolescence, and sometimes their parents, are now participating in evidence-based crime prevention programs, such as the Nurse-Family Partnership and Life Skills Training. Criminal Justice Planning staff provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, analyses, literature reviews, presentations, etc...) at all meetings.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Subcommittee meets ten times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and mental health systems, analyzed, discussed and planned policies and programs that improve the criminal justice system’s response to people with mental illness. The Subcommittee was instrumental in helping released inmates leave the jail with a thirty-day psychiatric prescription instead of the former three-day prescription, in an effort to help them maintain continuity of their care for their mental illness. In addition, Subcommittee members began educating themselves about issues surrounding substance abuse and housing. Criminal Justice Planning staff provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, presentation materials, data analyses, etc.) at all meetings.

The Drug Court Task Force meets seven times to discuss implementation of a specialty/drug court in Jefferson County.

The Drug Court Task Force, comprised of representatives from the Sheriff’s Office, District Attorney’s Office, Public Defender’s Office, Justice Services Division, Courts, Probation, local law enforcement, and local treatment providers evaluated which kind of drug court would be effective in reducing substance abuse and related criminal activity, be cost effective, and result in other benefits to the criminal justice system and the community. The Task Force chose a probation/diversion revocation model, and created several smaller work groups to decide the programmatic and operational details of the new court. A District Court judge was selected to preside over the new specialty/court and lead the work groups. The Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit provided staff support to the Task Force and all work groups.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit returns 15% of its 2008 budget to the County.

The Criminal Justice Planning Unit expended only 85% of its allocated budget for the year 2008. The unexpended funds resulted from not filling a vacant Full-Time Equivalent position. Despite this vacancy, the remaining staff in the Unit was able to make some progress on existing initiatives of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee.

2007

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee hosts guests from other jurisdictions for a third straight year.

Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee members and the Criminal Justice Planning staff hosted eight professionals from the justice system in nearby Larimer County, Colorado. These professionals attended the January meeting of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee as a follow-up to a recommendation they received during their recent Justice System Assessment by the National Institute of Corrections. Committee members modeled their participation in a data-driven policy planning process and provided the guests with rationales for and updates on current initiatives.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff spreads the word about the value and necessity of local justice system coordination and planning.

Criminal Justice Planning staff presented on the value and necessity of local criminal justice planning and coordination to the county commissioners and county administrators and managers in attendance at the Front Range District Meeting at the 2007 Annual Summer Conference of Colorado Counties, Inc. Staff also provided information and ideas to improve the planning and coordination capacity to officials from several Denver-metro counties, with the vision that all major counties will soon develop or improve their system-level policy planning and coordination to the benefit of all citizens in these counties.

The 2008 Jefferson County Detention Facility Use Plan nears implementation.

The Jefferson County Sheriff and the First Judicial District Chief Judge, with assistance from the Criminal Justice Planning staff, agreed on a plan for how the local detention facility (jail) will be used in upcoming years. This plan, which will be ready for formal implementation in early 2008, will prevent the detention facility from becoming crowded while continuing to meet the needs of local justice system agencies.

The Colorado Improving Supervised Pretrial Release (CISPR) project progresses.

The Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff continues to lead the 10-county initiative to develop evidence-based policies and practices for pretrial service programs in Colorado. There are two main components to this project: (1) the development of a validated pretrial risk assessment instrument, to be called the Colorado Bonds Conditions Assessment (COBCA), to replace the various, more subjectively derived risk assessment instruments currently used in each county; and (2) evidence-based supervision protocols that match pretrial release supervisory techniques to each defendant's specific risk profile to lessen that risk. Upon completion of this project, pretrial service programs will be able to make research-based recommendations about conditions of bond to judges and magistrates who set these conditions. This initiative has the potential to benefit all pretrial supervision programs in the state. The CISPR project is partially funded by an Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice.

The First Judicial District Criminal Case ADR/Mediation Committee develops pilot project.

Criminal Justice Planning staff provided support to the Criminal Case ADR/Mediation Committee, a group consisting of court personnel and others interested in creating a criminal case alternative dispute resolution protocol in the First Judicial District. Staff facilitated the creation of a protocol and supporting materials for a pilot project designed to measure the effectiveness of alternative dispute resolution for select adult felony cases.

Justice Oversight Committee finds ways to increase revenue for and decrease expenses to County taxpayers.

In 2007, the Jefferson County Board of County Commissioners announced that because of decreased property tax revenue, the 2008 budgets of county-funded departments and offices will be reduced by approximately 4%. The Justice Oversight Committee was formed in February of 2007 to identify and implement new policies and procedures that would enable the three justice system agencies supported by the county general fund (i.e., Sheriff's Office, District Attorney's Office, Justice Services Division) to reduce costs and/or generate revenue to offset costs. The Criminal Justice Planning Unit supported the meetings and projects of this committee. Seven projects were identified and worked on during 2007: (1) Jail Population and Beds Project; (2) Pretrial Release and Supervision Project; (3) Inmate/Outmate Project; (4) Drug Court Project; (5) Detox Center Project; (6) Municipal Court and Law Enforcement Project; and (7) Diversion Program Project.

Detoxification Center Project reduces County expenses.

The Detox Center Project was one of seven projects identified by the Justice Oversight Committee to help the County reduce its expenses in 2008 so that it can meet its budget reduction for that year. This project primarily affected the Justice Services Division, an agency funded out of the County General Fund. For this project, the Criminal Justice Planning staff collected and analyzed data and presented the Committee with scenarios for reducing the County's expenses through its contract with the local detoxification center. The Committee worked closely with the County Administration and the detox center's staff to reach a new agreement that saved the county money while minimizing potential negative impacts on local law enforcement and the jail.

The Municipal Court and Law Enforcement Project generates new opportunities for increased efficiency and more effective public safety operations.

The Municipal Court and Law Enforcement Project was one of seven projects identified by the Justice Oversight Committee to help the County reduce its expenses in 2008 so that it can meet its budget reduction for that year. For this project, the Criminal Justice Planning staff combined ideas from relevant stakeholders and literature reviews to identify multiple opportunities for potential cost saving partnerships between the County Administration, Sheriff's Office, and/or District Attorney's Office with the law enforcement, courts, and general government in the dozen municipalities within Jefferson County. The Sheriff and County Administrator decided to use the Detention Facility Use Plan as the first example of a new cost saving partnership.

The Jail Population and Beds Project reduces unnecessary costs.

The Jail Population and Beds Project was one of seven projects identified by the Justice Oversight Committee to help the County reduce its expenses in 2008 so that it can meet its budget reduction for that year. This project primarily affects the Sheriff's Office, an agency primarily funded out of the County General Fund. This project consists of implementation of the Detention Facility Use Plan and several initiatives that will likely result in policy changes for how jail beds are used. The benefits of this project will be realized for several years to come. Criminal Justice Planning staff served as the staff support to this project.

The Inmate/Outmate Project is determining the cost effectiveness of a community-based sentencing option.

The Inmate/Outmate Project was one of seven projects identified by the Justice Oversight Committee to help the County reduce its expenses in 2008 so that it can meet its budget reduction for that year. This project primarily affects the Sheriff's Office, an agency primarily funded out of the County General Fund. The Inmate/Outmate program is a locally designed, community-based treatment and containment program to which persons with multiple DUI convictions are sentenced. Criminal Justice Planning staff performed a controlled outcome evaluation research study on the program by comparing the performance of offenders in the program to that of offenders in jail and work release. Results showed that although all three sentencing options resulted in the same levels of recidivism. However, the Inmate/Outmate program did so at much lower cost to the county. As a result of the study, local justice system policy makers began developing ways to expand the cost effective Inmate/Outmate program.

The Pretrial Release and Supervision Project reduces unnecessary costs.

The Pretrial Release and Supervision Project was one of seven projects identified by the Justice Oversight Committee to help the County reduce its expenses in 2008 so that it can meet its budget reduction for that year. This project primarily affects the Sheriff's Office, an agency primarily funded out of the County General Fund. Local system decision-makers began reviewing the criteria for releasing defendants from the local jail with the goal of expediting defendants' release without negatively impacting community safety and the failure to appear rate. Criminal Justice Planning staff served as staff support to this project.

The Drug Court Task Force meets eight times to discuss the potential benefit of a drug court in Jefferson County.

The Drug Court Project was one of seven projects identified by the Justice Oversight Committee to help the County reduce its expenses in 2008 so that it can meet its budget reduction for that year. The Drug Court Task Force, comprised of representatives from the Sheriff's Office, District Attorney's Office, Justice Services Division, Courts, Probation, and local law enforcement, was formed to evaluate whether a drug court is likely to be effective in reducing substance abuse and related criminal activity, be cost effective, and result in other benefits to the criminal justice system and the community. Task Force members learned of the pros and cons of various models of drug courts, and are close to being able to decide on what type of drug (and possibly mental health) court, if any, would benefit Jefferson County. The Criminal Justice Planning Unit staffs the Drug Court Task Force.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provides the First Judicial District's Drug Offender Treatment Board with assistance in determining how to spend treatment funding.

Criminal Justice Planning staff assisted the Drug Offender Treatment Board, consisting of the Chief Probation Officer, District Attorney, and Public Defender, in developing the First Judicial District's plan for allocating new substance abuse treatment funds for State fiscal years 2008 and 2009. The new funds are part of Colorado Senate Bill 03-318, which saved state expenditures on prison beds through the lowering of the severity of the class level and resultant penalties for use and possession of small amounts of illegal drugs. Criminal Justice Planning staff participated in Board meetings, helped solicit and evaluate treatment providers, wrote the spending plan, and served as a liaison from the Drug Court Task Force to the Board.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff notifies local policy makers of grant opportunities.

Criminal Justice Planning staff provided monthly updates about available grants to local policy-makers. The list focuses primarily on grants related to crime and delinquency prevention and intervention, many of which are aligned with the initiatives of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee and its three subcommittees. The policy-makers reported that they applied for several different grants or planned to apply during the next grant cycle and that it is a useful resource for their agencies.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provides Sheriff's Office's Court Date Notification Program with recommendations for program expansion. Criminal Justice Planning staff analyzed the number and type of failures to appear in District and County Court, and provided the Sheriff's Office with recommendations on the most effective ways to expand its Court Date Notification Program. Program expansion that is guided by these analyses would tremendously reduce all types of failures to appear. Consequently, the Sheriff's Office Patrol and Detentions Divisions, the District Attorney's Office, municipal law enforcement, and court clerk staff will avoid the labor hours and thousands of dollars in costs associated with processing these cases into and out of the detention facility and courthouse. Using the report provided by the Planning unit, the Sheriff's Office requested and obtained authority to hire a second specialist to work in the program. The new employee began work in September, 2007. Program expansion into other all types of failures to appear is scheduled to begin in April, 2008.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provides technical assistance on response to violations and revocation practices to the First Judicial District's Probation Department. Staff analyzed data on all reported revocations for adults and juveniles during 2006 and provided the Chief Probation Officer and unit supervisors with detailed analyses on the effectiveness of their recently adopted policies and procedures on response to violations. Supervisors used the information to design individual employee performance plans and monitor compliance with departmental policies. In addition, the analyses provided baseline data for agencies in the County that provide services to youths and their families per House Bill 1451. Because of the agencies' achieving their goals, an additional \$580,000 was awarded to Jefferson County agencies that provide services to youths and families.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff performs data analysis as part of Sheriff's Office domestic violence grant.

Criminal Justice Planning staff provided consultation for data collection, analyzed data, and generated a summary of findings for data collected by the District Attorney's Victim/Witness Unit for domestic violence fast track cases. Analyses assisted Sheriff's Office grant staff in identifying higher risk domestic violence cases and have informed improvements in policies and practice.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff is awarded a Justice Assistance Grant for second consecutive year.

Criminal Justice Planning staff wrote and submitted an application to continue funding for the temporary part-time research specialist who will assist with the completion of the CISPR project (described above). Funding in the amount of \$24,000 for the additional year was awarded.

Five-Year Juvenile Justice Trends Report is completed.

Criminal Justice Planning staff created a detailed report that describes trends in important juvenile justice indicators over the past five years in Jefferson County, Colorado. The report includes juvenile population, juvenile arrests, court case filings relevant to juveniles, and juvenile probation for the years 2000 to 2005. Local juvenile justice system stakeholders can use the report to guide planning and decision-making about policy, future needs, and resource allocation.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee meets seven times.

The Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee met seven times during 2007. Six regularly scheduled meetings were held every other month, and a strategic planning meeting was held in April of 2007. At this meeting, Committee members revised their priority issues on which they will work for the next two to three years. Attendance and participation at all meetings were excellent. Many members continue to view the Committee as the most important criminal justice-related committee on which they serve. The Criminal Justice Planning Unit provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, presentations, data, information, facilitation of discussions, etc...) at all meetings.

System Performance Subcommittee meets ten times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from local justice agencies, identified, analyzed, discussed, and made recommendations on several policy issues. The Subcommittee addressed the policy question, "Whom should we arrest and book into the jail and why?" and began addressing, "To whom should we expand the Inmate/Outmate program and why?" and "Whom should we release pretrial from the jail and why?" Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, presentation materials, analyses, program outcome evaluation, literature reviews, etc...) at all meetings.

Prevention Subcommittee meets eleven times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and school systems, actively pursued the increased use of evidence-based violence and substance abuse prevention and intervention programs in an effort to prevent crime, delinquency, and substance abuse, which will in turn reduce the workload of

the local justice system. As a result of the Subcommittee's efforts, a larger number of children from infancy through adolescence, and sometimes their parents, are participating in proven, evidence-based crime prevention programs. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, analyses, literature reviews, presentations, etc...) at all meetings.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Subcommittee meets eleven times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and mental health systems, analyzed, discussed and planned policies and programs that improve the criminal justice system's response to people with mental illness. In particular, the Subcommittee assisted the Sheriff's Office in using the newly implemented booking fee to fund a Transition Planner in the jail. The Planner will assist persons with mental illness receive needed services while incarcerated and link these persons to services upon their release from the jail. The Subcommittee also partnered with the Metro Area County Commissioners in their effort to measure the effect of mentally ill persons on local jails and create better services for these inmates. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (e.g., agendas, minutes, presentation materials, data analyses, etc.) at all meetings, and created a detailed summary report of past and future initiatives for the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee's review at the strategic planning meeting in April.

Two Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff members serve as consultants to other jurisdictions through the National Institute of Corrections.

The technical expertise of staff and the national reputation of the Criminal Justice Planning Unit continue to increase as two staff members are employed as part-time technical resource providers who assist policy makers in other local justice systems improve their justice system coordination and planning capacity and efforts. In addition, staff responded to inquiries from other jurisdictions nationwide about methods for improving their justice system policy planning and staff support, and assisted neighboring counties (e.g., Larimer, Arapahoe) hire initial staff for their criminal justice coordinating committees.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit assists County Administration and the Courts with planning for new judges.

The Criminal Justice Planning Unit provided the County Administration with information and ideas for ways that the County Government could meet the facility demands (e.g., courthouse) of the criminal justice system for both the near and distant future. County Administration used this information to assemble the team to work on this project.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit returns 4% of its 2007 budget to the County.

The Criminal Justice Planning Unit expended only 96% of its allocated budget for the year 2007 in an effort to assist the County with its budget shortfall. The savings resulted from not filling a vacant portion of a Full-Time Equivalent position. Despite this vacancy, the existing staff in the Unit was able to make progress on existing initiatives and meet the urgent demands of the County's Organizational Review Committee as it worked on the budget shortfall.

2006

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee meets six times.

The Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee met six times during 2006. Meetings were held every other month. Attendance and participation were excellent and at the same levels as was achieved during 2005. The enthusiasm for the initiatives of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee is attributable to the chairperson's strong, dynamic leadership, committee members' guidance and their staff's contributions, and the amount and level planning staff support. The Criminal Justice Planning Unit provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentations, data, information, facilitation of discussions, etc...) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee hosts guests from other jurisdictions for a second straight year.

Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee members and the Criminal Justice Planning staff hosted three professionals from the justice system in neighboring Arapahoe County, Colorado. These professionals attended the November meeting of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee as a follow-up to a recommendation they received during their recent Justice System Assessment by the National Institute of Corrections. Committee members modeled their participation in a data-driven policy planning process and provided the guests with brief updates and rationales for current initiatives.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit is mentioned as model in local paper.

An article in a December 2006 issue of the Highlands Ranch Herald described the steps that neighboring Arapahoe County is taking to address its jail crowding problem. In the article, a Captain from the Arapahoe Sheriff's Office stated that Arapahoe County would like to develop a criminal justice planning unit, similar to the one in Jefferson County, to assist the County in addressing its jail crowding and other criminal justice system issues.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee meets nine times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and mental health systems, analyzed, discussed and planned policies and programs that improve the criminal justice system's response to people with mental illness. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, research analyses, etc.) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Prevention Subcommittee meets ten times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and school systems, have begun to actively promote the increased use of evidence-based crime and delinquency programs in the county. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, analyses, information from the literature, presentation materials, etc...) at all meetings.

Jefferson County System Performance Subcommittee meets nine times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from local justice agencies, analyzed and discussed the policy question, "What should

we do about compliance violations and why?” Justice agencies that supervise offenders and defendants led discussions on their policies and practices for responding to compliance violations. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, analyses, information from the literature, etc...) at all meetings.

Criminal Justice Trends Analysis report is under construction.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning is updating its analysis of criminal justice and juvenile justice trends in Jefferson County. A report summarizing crime rates, arrest rates, court case filings, jail population data, and other indicators will soon be published. Analyses track changes in the indicators over time and compare Jefferson County to similar neighboring counties (e.g., Arapahoe, Adams, Denver) or the statewide average. The analysis provides Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee members with information they use to make data-driven policy decisions, and helps dispel misconceptions about the dynamics of the local justice system. Criminal Justice Planning regularly presented the trends at the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee meetings.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff writes six-month progress report for Sheriff’s Office’s Court Date Notification Program. Using data generated by Sheriff’s office Program Specialist Paula Hancock, Criminal Justice Planning staff created a six-month program summary for the Sheriff’s Court Date Notification Program, which reduces defendants’ failures to appear (“FTA”) and FTA warrants. This objective summary shows that the program was operating successfully by reducing the FTA rate of targeted defendants by 52%. In addition, the Sheriff’s Office Patrol and detentions units, municipal law enforcement, and court clerk staff saved hundreds of hours and thousands of dollars associated with processing these cases into and out of the detention facility and courthouse.

The 2006 Jefferson County Detention Facility Use Plan is ready for implementation.

The Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee and the District Court Judges agreed to implement the 2006 Jefferson County Detention Facility Use Plan. This plan would prevent the detention facility from becoming more crowded while continuing to meet the needs of local justice system agencies. The Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office has reported that it intends to implement the plan after its Master Planning effort is finished in early 2007.

The Colorado Improving Supervised Pretrial Release (CISPR) project launches.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning is spearheading a 10-county initiative to determine the most effective strategies and interventions for minimizing defendants' commission of new offenses and technical violations and their failure to appear at court hearings while on bond and under pretrial supervision in the community. This project will follow the development of the COBCA (described below). Upon completion of this project, pretrial service programs will be able to make evidence-based recommendations about conditions of bond to judges and magistrates who set these conditions. This project has the potential to benefit all pretrial services programs in the state, and is one of the cutting edge projects in the criminal justice arena nationwide.

Development of the Colorado Bond Conditions Assessment (COBCA) begins.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning is spearheading a 10-county initiative to develop a statistically validated instrument and procedure for assessing pretrial defendants' risk of committing new crimes and their risk of failure to appear (FTA) at all court hearings until the adjudication of their case. Currently, most Colorado counties use different subjectively derived instruments and procedures for which there have been few measured outcomes. A validated instrument will allow pretrial services programs to have reliable and valid data about the risk that each defendant poses to the community while out on bond. This initiative has the potential to benefit the pretrial release decisions made by courts in all Colorado counties.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff applies for and is awarded a Justice Assistance Grant.

Staff, with assistance from El Paso County's Criminal Justice Planner/Analyst, wrote and submitted an application to fund a temporary part-time research coordinator to assist in the completion of the CISPR project (described above). Funding in the amount of \$20,000 for one year was awarded.

Jefferson County Court is going electronic to speed up traffic cases.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff, on behalf of the District Court Chief Judge, Administrator, and Clerk of the Court from the First and Eighteenth Judicial Districts, wrote and submitted a proposal to the Colorado Judicial Branch requesting that the Branch develop a procedure by which defendant's motor vehicle records are obtained electronically from the Colorado Department of Motor Vehicles. Currently, these records are obtained through the mail in a slow and a cumbersome process. Once electronic retrieval is possible, much court clerk time and paperwork will be saved. In addition, the length of time for the setting of first appearances for summonsed traffic court defendants could be reduced from approximately 56 to 30 days. As a result, fewer defendants would be as likely to fail to appear and the administration of justice would be much swifter.

Bookings of persons arrested for failure to appear will be reduced at the Jefferson County Detention Facility.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning is assisting the System Performance Subcommittee in developing creative ways for law enforcement and the courts to respond to persons who have warrants for failure to appear in traffic cases. New policies and practices include arresting officers taking defendants directly to Lakewood Municipal Court to appear before a judge and Golden Municipal Court collecting monetary bonds and releasing defendants with a new court date. A possible future initiative includes officers or pretrial bond commissioners issuing a contempt citation for failure to appear in county court and releasing defendants with a newly assigned court date. These policies and initiatives are designed to reduce the time law enforcement spends transporting defendants to jail and increasing the time they spend in the community, and to reduce annual rate of increase in bookings into the county jail.

New "Jefferson County Model Summons" is in use.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff facilitates and provides staff support to the "Ticket Task Force," a group representing multiple local ticketing agencies and courts, prosecutors and defense attorneys, judges and court clerks, the Colorado Department of Motor

Vehicles, the State Court Administrator's Office, and the Colorado State Patrol. Through group consensus, the Ticket Task Force redesigned the old, half-page Uniform Summons to create a full-page ticket template to reflect the needs of participating agencies and to conform to recent changes in the law. The template is currently being used by the City of Lakewood and may be used by any Colorado jurisdiction seeking a model template for county or municipal Summons and Complaint or Penalty Assessment tickets. Staff also provides ongoing technical assistance to any agency (e.g., Jefferson County Sheriff's Office) transitioning to the full-page ticket.

Jefferson County patrol officers will soon convert to electronic ticket writing.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff facilitates and provides staff support to the "Ticket Task Force," a group representing multiple local ticketing agencies and courts, prosecutors and defense attorneys, judges and court clerks, the Colorado Department of Motor Vehicles, the State Court Administrator's Office, and the Colorado State Patrol. The Ticket Task Force is currently examining the feasibility of an electronic citation system for Jefferson County that would allow multiple ticketing agencies, using a variety of software/hardware options, to download tickets electronically to the courts. The Task Force is planning a pilot project in Jefferson County, which, if successful, will expedite statewide implementation of electronic citation writing and data collection.

Electronic monitoring may be used in Sheriff's work release program.

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office has discussed teaming with Criminal Justice Planning staff to modify the Sheriff's Work Release program to include the possible use of electronic monitoring of sentenced inmates who leave the jail daily to enter the community to work or attend school. Forms of electronic monitoring being considered include GPS and continuous alcohol monitoring. The purpose of this project, known as WREM (Work Release and Electronic Monitoring), is to reduce the number of walk-aways and to reduce the number of inmates in the detention facility.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provides suggestions to reduce congestion and improve criminal docket efficiency to the District Court.

Criminal Justice Planning staff provided recommendations to the District Court Judges to reduce the overall number of criminal cases on their dockets and improve the efficient handling of the cases on their dockets. Staff also met individually with judges at their request to provide feedback about specific practices that can increase docket efficiency. The First Judicial District Criminal Case Mediation Committee, developed, in part, as a result of these recommendations.

The First Judicial District Criminal Case Mediation Committee is formed.

Criminal Justice Planning staff provides support to the Criminal Case Mediation Committee, a group made up of court personnel and others interested in creating a criminal case mediation program in the First Judicial District. The current focus of the Committee is on designing and implementing a pilot project designed to measure the effectiveness of criminal mediation for juvenile, adult misdemeanor, and lower-level adult felony cases.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff analyzes Probation Department's data on their response to violations and revocation practices.

Staff provided the Chief Probation Officer and other Probation Department staff with feedback about the effectiveness of their newly adopted policies and procedures on response to violations. Department managers use the analysis to provide feedback and training to probation officers.

Analysis of several metro area counties' criminal justice trends is provided to jail commanders.

Criminal Justice Planning staff prepared an analysis of recent trends in criminal justice system indicators (e.g., county population, offenses, adults arrests, jail population) and the dynamics affecting the local jail population for the jail commanders in Jefferson, Denver, Arapahoe, and Adams counties.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff produces report on domestic violence trends.

Staff produced a 6-page report that included a trends analysis of domestic violence related offenses, arrests, case filings, and protection orders. This report was created in response to the District Attorney's questions about the changing nature of domestic violence caseloads in recent years.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit adds an additional planner/analyst.

One full-time planner/analyst, funded by the county, was added to the Criminal Justice Planning Unit to support local policy planning and analysis of juvenile justice and juvenile services issues.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff oversees completion of the Youth Service Improvement Initiative grant.

Staff administered a no-cost three-month extension of the grant. Funds were used to support data clean-up and entry into the Jefferson County Juvenile Assessment Center's information system. Staff also oversaw the completion of grant progress reporting to the federal government.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee adopts a logo.

Staff, with guidance from the committee and in partnership with a professional graphic designer and public relations specialist, developed a logo for the committee. The logo is used on the committee's web site and on official documents produced by the committee.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assists Sheriff's Detentions Chief in preparing Sheriff's Office Master Plan.

Staff provided the Detentions Chief with an analysis of metro area population projections to help inform discussions of future jail bed needs. Recommendations for involving agencies that use the detention facility were also provided.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assists the Jefferson County Corrections Board in changing its policy.

Staff provided data analysis to the board so that it could make a data-driven decision when considering a change to its policies for screening offenders.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assists Sheriff's Office in designing Court Date Notification Program.

Staff facilitated a program start-up meeting, and provided consultation to the Sheriff's newly-hired program specialist, the manager of inmate services, the clerk of the court, and a county court judge when they met to design the new program. Staff provides ongoing consultation to the program specialist as the Court Date Notification Program expands.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee sponsors case management grant.

Criminal Justice Planning Staff provided data and analysis and helped the grant-writer to prepare a grant proposal to the Colorado Health Foundation. The proposal, which received funding in March of 2006, now operates as the Criminal Justice/Mental Health Integrated Case Management Project, designed to provide case management services to mentally ill persons in or discharged from the criminal justice system. The CJMH Subcommittee, with Criminal Justice Planning staff support, continues to help the project coordinators with input on policy matters.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee provides staff training recommendations to Sheriff's Office.

Staff worked with Colorado's Crisis Intervention Team ("CIT") Coordinator to prepare a list of options for training to the Sheriff's Office. The list of training options is designed to optimize CIT training in the Sheriff's Office generally, as well as to give the Sheriff recommendations for spending the portion of a recently-authorized booking fee that is earmarked for law enforcement training.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee provides case management recommendations to Sheriff's Office.

Staff drafted the Subcommittee's recommendation for spending that portion of a recently-authorized booking fee earmarked for "community-based treatment programs." The recommendation is a proposal for a mentally ill offender case management program inside the Detention Facility and a short-stay housing component for mentally ill inmates after they are released from the jail.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning summarizes Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee's progress on working with mentally ill persons in the justice system. Staff created, and continues to add to, a document detailing the CJMH Subcommittee's history, initiatives, and accomplishments from its early beginnings in 2000, to its formal inception in 2002, to work today.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provides school district staff with trends analyses.

Criminal Justice Planning Staff provided data and plots illustrating recent trends in local juvenile justice indicators to the Student Outreach Office of Jefferson County Public Schools. School District staff used the information in a presentation.

Criminal Justice Planning staff gives presentations to community.

Criminal Justice Planning Staff continue to give presentations about ongoing projects to community members in Jefferson County (e.g., the First JD Bar Association), as well as to other Colorado Counties (e.g., El Paso and Boulder Counties).

Two Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff members serve as consultants to other jurisdictions through the National Institute of Corrections.

The technical expertise of staff and the national reputation of the Criminal Justice Planning unit continue to increase as two staff members are employed as part-time consultants who assist officials in other local justice systems improve their justice system planning and coordination capacity and efforts. In addition, staff responds to inquiries from other Colorado counties (e.g., Arapahoe, Larimer) about methods for improving their justice system policy planning and staff support.

2005

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee meets six times.

The Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee met six times during 2005. Meetings were held every other month. Attendance and participation were excellent, with the average attendance 40% greater than the past year. The increased enthusiasm for the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee is attributable to strong, dynamic leadership of the chairperson, the committee's successful commitment to discussing policy issues rather than programmatic and operational issues, and sufficient staff support. Four new members were added. The Criminal Justice Planning Unit provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentations, data, information, facilitation of discussions, etc...) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee hosts out-of-state guests.

Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee members and the Criminal Justice Planning staff hosted eight professionals, whose trip was partially funded by the National Institute of Corrections, from the newly formed criminal justice coordinating committee in Coconino County (Flagstaff) Arizona. Local policy makers and staff shared their ideas and processes for making policy decisions to improve a local justice system's efficiency and effectiveness. The visit concluded with the guests' observation and participation in the September meeting of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee meets eleven times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and mental health systems, analyzed, discussed and planned policies and programs that improve the justice system's ways of servicing seriously mentally ill persons who come into contact with any part of the justice system. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, research analyses, etc.) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Prevention Subcommittee meets eleven times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and school systems, viewed an inventory, which was prepared by staff) of prevention programs in the county. The subcommittee found that the use of evidence-based programs is very rare in the county, and developed a plan to support the increased implementation of evidence-based crime and delinquency prevention programs. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, analyses, information from the literature, presentation materials, etc...) at all meetings.

Jefferson County System Performance Subcommittee meets eleven times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from local justice agencies, analyzed and discussed the policy question, "What should we do about failures to appear and why?" Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, analyses, information from the literature, etc...) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee proposes revised screening tool for Detention Facility's booking area.

The Subcommittee, with the Sheriff's Office's approval, added two questions to the Intake Medical Screening Sheet. The questions now allow detention facility staff to ask arresting/transporting officers for information about arrestees' possible mental illness, and to track which transporting officers are Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) trained. Answers to these questions inform detention facility staff in classification and in the selection of services provided to inmates. The questions themselves assist in the State's evaluation of the effectiveness of the CIT program in Jefferson County.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee creates flow chart of Detention Facility's process for booking and classifying mentally ill inmates.

Staff created a flowchart of the booking process to document in detail a mentally ill offender's processing through the Detention Facility. The flowchart was a necessary first-step in the Subcommittee's subsequent policy discussions on improving the booking procedure for seriously mentally ill offenders, and led to several initiatives including (1) revision of the Intake Medical Screening Sheet, (2) adoption of a standardized mental health screen, and (3) recommendations for Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Training for detention facility staff.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee promotes the increased use of a standardized screen for adult mental illness.

Criminal Justice Planning staff facilitated several meetings designed to increase the Jefferson County's use of the Colorado Criminal Justice Mental Health Screen – Adult, a standardized and validated instrument designed to reliably detect mental illness (including co-occurring substance abuse), to minimize redundant assessments, and to provide the basis for mental illness prevalence estimates of mentally ill persons in the criminal justice system. As of March of 2006, the Probation Department and Intervention, Inc. were using the screen. The Jefferson County Detention Facility agreed to begin using the screen and started inputting it into its computerized medical information system.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit makes temporary staff permanent.

Two temporary criminal justice planner/analyst positions that were created in the fall of 2004 were made into permanent full-time positions in the summer of 2005 through the donation of two full-time positions by the Director of Human Services. The new positions, like existing planning positions, are paid from the county general fund. Both of the staff persons who were hired for the temporary positions filled the new permanent positions.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff applies for federal community corrections grant.

Staff applied for a Research and Evaluation on Community Corrections grant from the National Institute of Justice. The application proposed a program in which the Jefferson County Sheriff's work release program would use electronic monitoring to reduce the number of walk-aways and the number of inmates in the Detention Facility. Although the project was not funded, local policy makers still decided to pursue the project.

Jefferson County's criminal justice strategic planning function serves as model for other local jurisdictions.

The membership, policy planning process, and projects of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, and the adequate staff support by Criminal Justice Planning staff, helped the criminal justice strategic planning function in Jefferson County to become one of the most successful current local justice planning operations in the country. Persons from several jurisdictions within Colorado and from other states regularly contact Criminal Justice Planning staff for ideas and documents to begin or improve planning operations in their county. Additionally, the National Institute of Corrections observed a meeting of the committee and refers other jurisdictions to Jefferson's County's operation for ideas and materials.

Jefferson County System Performance Subcommittee sponsors pilot project to reduce failures to appear in county court.

The Subcommittee asked Criminal Justice Planning staff to conduct the Jefferson County FTA Call Pilot Project in the Spring of 2005. The project studied the effectiveness of telephone notification in reducing the number of defendants who fail to appear for their court dates for certain traffic and misdemeanor offenses in the Jefferson County Court. Comparing randomly selected defendants who were called with those who were not, the study showed that telephone notification was successful in reducing the FTA rate from 21% to 12% or less. The Denver Post featured the project in an article in December of 2005, and data from the project has been used to reduce FTAs in at least five other counties in Colorado and in Coconino County, Arizona.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff launches informative web site.

Staff designed and launched a web site describing the projects, structure, processes, and history of Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, the function of Criminal Justice Planning staff, and information on local justice system planning in general. The site is continually updated to include descriptions of current initiatives and accomplishments.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assists the Sheriff's Office in designing new corrections management system.

Staff attended training on the Sheriff's Office new corrections management system (developed by Tiburon) and provided consultation on data coding and entry. Staff's suggestions were incorporated into the new system, making several jail population analyses possible for the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assists Probation Department in measuring the effectiveness of its revised policies.

Staff participated in several meetings of Probation's Response to Violations Subcommittee and developed a data collection tool to track probation officers' adherence to probation's newly revised procedures on response to violations.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff analyzes juvenile assessment data for the Probation Department.

Staff analyzed data from the MAYSI-2 at the request of the mental health specialist in probation. Data were used by the probation department to assess the number and type of juvenile probationers who have mental health issues.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff reviews juvenile boot camps.

Staff wrote a brief literature review of the effectiveness of juvenile boot camps at the request of the Public Defender's Office.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff performs data analysis as part of Sheriff's Office domestic violence grant.

Staff consulted on data collection, analyzed data, and generated a summary of findings for data collected by the District Attorney's Victim/Witness Unit for domestic violence fast track cases and Family Tree's protection order clinic.

The Prevention Subcommittee hosts a presentation by Del Elliott from the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence.

Del Elliott gave a presentation on evidence-based programs that prevent violence to the Prevention Subcommittee and other members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee. This presentation provided the subcommittee with information about the importance of and need for program evaluation, and prompted the subcommittee to focus on fostering the use of evidence-based crime and delinquency programs in Jefferson County.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff updates bylaws.

Staff updated the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee's bylaws, written and adopted in 2002, to be consistent with the tenth edition of Robert's Rules of Order and to include membership of the Director of the Colorado Division of Adult Parole, Community Corrections, and YOS, the Superintendent of Jefferson County Public Schools and a member of the Colorado General Assembly.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff creates historical record of influential events.

Staff, as part of its support of the Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, started an annual tradition in 2005 of listing events that may have already had or may in the future have an impact on the criminal justice system in Jefferson County. These events, which may affect the county's criminal justice system, are policy/procedural changes in justice agencies, changes in elected or appointed officials, significant agency budgetary changes, the creation or deletion of specialized units within agencies, significant court cases or rulings, new statutes or ordinances, etc.... The purpose of the chronicle is to provide staff and committee members with an accurate and updated list of factors that likely caused or contributed to observable increases or decreases in the local justice system's workload, as measured by the number and type of offenses, arrests, cases processed, persons jailed, probation or parole clients, etc....

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff creates lists of potential resources.

Staff created a list of local volunteer or citizen groups or organizations so that the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee can readily identify and recruit volunteers to assist with any of the committee's various projects. Staff also created a list of countywide or statewide organizations or committees that perform work in at least one area of the criminal justice system

so that the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee can readily identify and partner with these organizations when it is advantageous to do so.

The System Performance Subcommittee assists Lakewood Municipal Court in handling its failures to appear.

The subcommittee and Criminal Justice Planning staff developed a process in which Lakewood Police agents and Sheriff's deputies can take persons arrested on Lakewood Municipal Court failure to appear warrants to the Lakewood Marshals Office to resolve their warrant or their case, rather than having to leave their patrol to take the persons to be booked into the detention facility.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assumes administration of the Youth Service Improvement Initiative grant.

Staff assumed oversight of the final year of the three-year grant at the request of the Director of Human Services. One of the primary tasks of the final year of the grant involved planning staff performing work at the request of the Jefferson County Juvenile Services Planning Committee. Staff also oversaw the completion of grant progress reporting.

2004

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee meets seven times.

The Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee met seven times during 2004 to discuss and set policy for the local justice system. Six meetings were the regularly scheduled every-other-month meetings. The seventh meeting was the biennial strategic planning meeting in April. Attendance and participation were very good at all meetings, and Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, etc...) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee holds a strategic planning meeting.

The Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee held a strategic planning meeting amidst 8 inches of mountain snow at Mt. Vernon County Club in April of 2004. At the all-day meeting, committee members reviewed initiatives and achievements during the past two years, discussed issues currently facing the justice system, and decided on priority issues for upcoming years. Criminal Justice Planning staff provided support (reservations, agendas, minutes, presentations, displays, etc...), and Fred Rainguet of Rainguet & Associates facilitated the meeting.

The National Institute of Corrections performs a Justice System Assessment in Jefferson County.

Two consultants from the [National Institute of Corrections](#), Mark Cunniff and Bob Cushman, performed a nine-year follow-up assessment of the county's criminal justice system and associated policy planning capacity. The assessment indicated that the county had made several significant improvements in the local justice system over the years and had several opportunities for additional improvement. The previous assessment, which led to the formation of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee and the Criminal Justice Planning Unit, occurred in 1995. For the current assessment, Criminal Justice Planning staff collected data and performed analyses on criminal justice system indicators and created a detailed matrix of the local corrections continuum control and services.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff updates the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee's strategic plan and illustrates its policy planning process.

Staff created an easily understood document describing the history of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, its current priority issues, and the process in which the committee and its subcommittees participate to set systemwide policy for the local justice system.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee meets eleven times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and mental health systems, analyzed, discussed and planned policies and programs that improve the justice system's ways of servicing seriously mentally ill persons who come into contact with any part of the justice system. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, analyses, etc...) at all meetings.

Newly formed Jefferson County Prevention Subcommittee meets three times.

The Prevention Subcommittee was formed as a result of the selection of prevention as a priority issue at the strategic planning meeting in April of 2004. Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice and school systems, agreed to support the increased implementation of effective crime and delinquency prevention programs in Jefferson County. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, etc...) at all meetings.

Newly formed Jefferson County System Performance Subcommittee meets four times.

The System Performance Subcommittee was formed from a merger of the Jail Analysis Subcommittee and the Measuring System Performance Subcommittee. This merger occurred to make planning resources available to the Prevention Subcommittee. The System Performance Subcommittee analyzed and discussed the policy question, "Whom should we book into the jail and why?" Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, analyses, etc...) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Jail Analysis Subcommittee meets five times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice system, discussed jail use trends and prepared analyses and presentations for the National Institute of Corrections' justice system assessment and the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee's strategic planning meeting, both of which occurred in the spring of 2004. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, analyses, etc...) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Measuring System Performance Subcommittee meets six times.

Several members of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee, as well as managers and line staff from the local justice system, learned how various justice system agencies measure their performance. Criminal Justice Planning provided staff support (agendas, minutes, presentation materials, etc...) at all meetings.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice/Mental Health Subcommittee is awarded technical assistance.

The subcommittee competitively applied for and was awarded Technical Assistance to Improve Collaboration Between Corrections and Mental Health from the National Institute of Corrections and the Council of State Governments. Two consultants provided recommendations to focus the direction of the subcommittee on case management and diversion for mentally ill persons in the justice system. Criminal Justice Planning staff wrote the application for the assistance, coordinated the site visit, and documented proceedings in the agenda and minutes.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning Unit's Treatment and Services Manual is integrated with metro area call center.

Criminal Justice Planning partnered with the Mile High United Way to include the First Judicial District's printed listing of adult and juvenile treatment and service programs, which was last updated in 2001, in the United Way 2-1-1 Call Center's online searchable database.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assists state-level juvenile policy groups.

Staff attended and participated in several subcommittees and a working group of the State's Juvenile Justice and Mental Health Task Force. Staff was instrumental in assisting with the development of legislation on juvenile competence to proceed in juvenile court. The legislation went into effect in 2005.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff creates outline for justice system trends analysis publication.

Staff created a detailed outline of an improved publication that will include graphs and tables of past, current, and projected justice system indicator trends, jail use, case processing, and other factors that influence or measure the workload in the local criminal justice system.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff administer local juvenile programs grant.

Staff administered the county's Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant (JAIBG). JAIBG funds provided for a Juvenile Offender Investigator at the Sheriff's Office and start-up costs of the law enforcement multi-agency information sharing project (i.e., Coplink).

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assist with juvenile services coordination.

Staff provided planning assistance and consultation to members of the Jefferson County Juvenile Services Planning Committee in the committee's preliminary discussions about becoming a policy-level board.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff assists Probation Department.

Staff provided data analyses and consultation to the Probation Department's Response to Violations Subcommittee. Staff used literature from the National Institute of Corrections to help the subcommittee to rewrite policies and procedures for responding to compliance violations.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff provides consultation to SAFE Jefferson County.

Staff provided technical assistance to the SAFE Jefferson County Continuum of Care Subcommittee. The assistance included consultation to the subcommittee's efforts to develop a uniform, countywide juvenile sex offender treatment progress tracking sheet.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff adds two temporary planning staff.

As a result of the Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee's increased enthusiasm for justice system policy planning, two full-time temporary planning staff members were added to the Criminal Justice Planning Unit.

Jefferson County Criminal Justice Planning staff plans the creation of a comprehensive local justice system dataset.

Staff planned and began development of a dataset to be analyzed and used to produce future editions of Jefferson County's justice system trends analysis publication.

2003 and prior

Accomplishments and initiatives of the Jefferson County Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Committee and the Criminal Justice Planning Unit from 2003 and prior are available from the Criminal Justice Planning Unit.