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**MINUTES**

**Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority  
Budget Committee Meeting**

June 27, 2014

9:00 a.m.

300 West Adams

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Building Conference Room

Chicago, Illinois 60606

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

The Budget Committee of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority met on Friday, June 27, 2014, at 300 West Adams, 2nd Floor Building Conference Room, Chicago, Illinois. Substitute Budget Committee Chair Jennifer Greene (representing State's Attorney Anita Alvarez) called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. Authority General Counsel Lisa Stephens called the roll. Other Authority members and designees present were Waisu Fashina for Clerk Dorothy Brown, Daynia Sanchez-Bass for Abishi Cunningham, Kathryn Dunne for Sheriff Tom Dart, Rick Krause for Director S. A. Godinez, Felix Gonzalez, Col. Marc Maton for Director Hiram Grau, Cynthia Hora for Attorney General Madigan, James Hickey for Superintendent Garry McCarthy, and Rebecca Janowitz for President Toni Preckwinkle. Also in attendance were Authority Associate Director Wendy McCambridge, Cathy Higgins representing Rainbow House, and other Authority staff members and guests.

## **1. Minutes of the April 9, 2014 Budget Committee Meeting**

Ms. Hora corrected the text of the third line of the first full paragraph on Page 4 of the minutes. She said that it should read (correction in *italics*):

“...avoid incarceration and that the program would utilize *an* adult transitional center to...”

Ms. Hora corrected the text of the second sentence of the fifth full paragraph on Page 4 of the minutes. She said that it should read (correction in *italics*):

“Such a program ~~the~~ pulled youths all the way back into custody certainly was not true to its mission.”

Ms. Hora corrected the text of Item 1 at the bottom of Page 5 of the minutes. She said that it should read (correction in *italics*):

Develop and release a job posting for a Project *Manager*.”

**Motion:** Ms. Hora called for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2014 Budget Committee meeting. Mr. Gonzalez seconded the motion and it was approved by unanimous voice vote.

## **2. Rainbow House Presentation / Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)**

Authority Associate Director Wendy McCambridge, referring to the memo in the materials dated June 27, 2014 and regarding the Rainbow House Presentation, introduced Cathy Higgins, Executive Director of Rainbow House. She said that Director Higgins would address any questions or concerns of the Budget Committee regarding Rainbow House’s financial status.

Director Higgins said that over the last 10 years, Rainbow House’s annual grant funding has dropped from approximately \$700,000 per year to approximately \$290,000 per year. In 2010 Rainbow House was 90 percent reliant on government funding and now that is between 50 and 55 percent, so a lot of work has been done to secure private funding. During that time the program was evaluated to determine if the program was viable, if it would be necessary to merge it with another program, or if it should be closed. It was determined that the community’s needs were simply too great to abandon the program. Rainbow House staff works every day to serve their clients, and that means constantly doing more with less. Staff and resources are stretched thin. This has resulted in delays in grant reporting because the clients’ needs are a priority over paperwork. A few years ago

when the economy began to collapse government funding has been late in coming. The last three years have seen between \$100,000 and \$150,000 owed to Rainbow House in government funding. This has disrupted cash-flow, but Rainbow House is not spending more money than it takes in. Cash-flow problems led to problems in paying payroll taxes. When this happened, Rainbow House initially worked out a payment plan with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). She said that the terms of the IRS payment plan were not deliverable and it appeared that the payment plan was setting up Rainbow House for failure. Payments were made regularly until the federal government shut down in 2013. At the time of the federal government shut-down, Rainbow House had gone about six months without any payment from federal funding sources and at that time it was not clear how long Rainbow House would have to go without funding. Rainbow House senior staff went for five pay periods without getting paid; Director Higgins said that this included herself. A payment to the IRS was missed during this period, thus voiding the IRS payment plan. Rainbow House has been working over the past six months with the IRS to adopt a new payment plan. Rainbow House has a pro bono arrangement for tax attorney services with Katten Muchin, who will submit Director Higgins for a forensic interview on July 8, 2014. She said that she understood that once that interview is complete then the IRS will submit to Rainbow House a new payment plan, but nothing will be definite until then. She said that conversations with the IRS's revenue officer assigned to Rainbow House have been favorable. She said that at this point, with the end of the state fiscal year only a few days away, Rainbow House is owed about \$114,000, which is about three times what Rainbow House owes to the IRS. Rainbow House is not spending more than it is taking in; it is just having a cash-flow issue.

Ms. Hora said that she understood the desire to help clients instead of filing reports, but the problem is that if the reports are not filed, the funding is disrupted. She said that while Rainbow House staff appear to be caught on a Catch-22, if the proper paperwork is not submitted to Rainbow House's funding entities, then funding will be delayed or stop altogether. She said that Rainbow House was late in signing its current agreement with the Authority.

Director Higgins said that Anne Guinan had been the Authority's Grant Specialist assigned to oversee Rainbow House grants. Over many months, the contract would be sent back and forth, with Rainbow House making various revisions as requested. During the last two years Ms. Guinan worked with Rainbow House, approximately 10 contract drafts were exchanged. Director Higgins said that she had started a process that she thought was timely as she was responding to instructions from Ms. Guinan. Director Higgins said that when Risé Evans took over Rainbow House's grants from Ms. Guinan, it was a different relationship. Director Higgins said that she did not ask any questions of Ms. Evans and assumed the process would not be handled differently than it had been under Ms. Guinan's guidance; there was never a definite due date.

Ms. Hora said that there is always a due date and such paperwork should always be submitted as soon as possible so that the funds can be distributed.

Director Higgins said that she understood that, but when last year's renewal contracts came it was the end of the fiscal year. There were five government contracts for fiscal year 2013 for which close-out materials needed to be submitted. Preparations needed to be made for the 2013 independent audit. There were five government contracts in the renewal process. She said that since she was doing all of this contract work herself, she was forced to address these issues in the order in which they were most pressing.

Ms. Hora said that she understood all of Director Higgins's points, but the Authority funds a number of social service organizations that face issues similar to the ones that Rainbow House is now facing, yet they are not in such a situation. She asked Director Higgins if she had submitted a Violent Crime Victim Assistance (VCVA) grant application to the Illinois Attorney General's Office for Rainbow House for fiscal year 2014.

Ms. Higgins said that she was instructed not to submit a VCVA application.

Ms. Hora said that was not true because Rainbow House received the VCVA agreement in the fall of 2013. She said that she has concerns because there are now issues with multiple business partners. She then asked Director Higgins about Rainbow House's credit status.

Director Higgins said that Rainbow House had not had a line of credit since 2008. Part of the cash flow problems stem from reliance on credit during the three months when the government contracts were being started; between the contracts being signed and actual payments. Director Higgins said that this was standard practice for 10 years before she became the director. In 2008, when the economy collapsed, Rainbow House's line of credit was called and the system that Rainbow House staff had grown accustomed to no longer existed. That line of credit was critical to maintaining cash-flow. Recently, banks have been more open to the idea of providing Rainbow House with a small line of credit. Rainbow House is now seeking a \$25,000 line of credit. She said that it has been three months since Rainbow House has had a check returned for insufficient funds.

Director Higgins, in response to a request from Budget Committee Chair Greene, said that in fiscal year 2013 four Rainbow House staff members provided direct crisis management services to 420 children and adults for over 8,600 hours. 1,800 clients received education services. Rainbow House is part of the Little Village Violence Prevention Collaborative and the Routes to Wellness Mental Health Collaborative. Those agencies serve Little Village, Brighton Park, and Pilsen. We have created a program where we are unified in our approach to violence prevention. We also provide domestic

violence counseling for child survivors to up to 24 students at any given time. Youths in 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades receive dating violence education.

Director Higgins, in response to questions by Ms. Hora, said that Rainbow House's last independent audit was in September of 2013 and that a management letter had been issued. The next audit is scheduled for August 18, 2014.

Ms. Hora requested that the management letter be presented to the Budget Committee.

Budget Committee Chair Greene said that one of her concerns was whether Rainbow House's board of directors was actively working with Director Higgins to alleviate the agency's issues.

Director Higgins said that that has been one of her biggest challenges. She said that she had started out as a board member and at that time Rainbow House was a strong service provider with a strong board, but management infrastructure was the problem. She said that when she became the Executive Director, the board was very involved and it was doing its job of fund-raising and making connections. At that time, she focused on fixing management and solving budgetary and accounting problems. There was no policy manual and no program process manual; staff was uncoordinated. Over the past two years, while those problems were addressed, the board began to fall apart. The board met on June 23, 2014 to discuss responsibilities and accountabilities and the board's role in dealing with the IRS. The board has three new members (bringing the total to eight) who understand Rainbow House's current issues.

Budget Committee Chair Greene called for a motion approving Rainbow House's financial status as viable and allowing the pending grant originally proposed at the May 7, 2014 Budget Committee meeting for \$36,130 in VOCA FFY14 funds to proceed.

Ms. Hora said that she wanted to see the results of the forensic interview and a management letter before determining if Rainbow House is financially viable.

Authority Program Supervisor Ron Reichgelt said that staff is in constant conversations with other funders concerning Rainbow House. Although staff will proceed with contract negotiations, the Authority will not go under contract with Rainbow House until a letter is received from the IRS approving the payment plan and payment amount. Staff can also stipulate that a management letter be provided before a contract is signed. Rainbow House was issued a warning when its last agreement was signed late; any delinquency in reporting would be regarded as a breach of contract, with the Authority retaining the option of suspending or terminating the contract at such a time.

Ms. Hora said that she would prefer to see these documents before approving financial viability. She said that management letters that she has reviewed in the past have often been followed by their respective agencies' closures. It is one thing to approve moving forward if certain conditions are met; it is another to declare an entity financially viable. Simply having a management letter does not mean that she would approve of moving forward with this grant.

**Motion:** Ms. Hora moved to defer a vote on approval of Rainbow House's pending grant until the management letter and the forensic interview results have been reviewed by the Budget Committee. Mr. Hickey seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Reichgelt requested that the materials in question be sent to his attention.

### **3. Federal Award Application Update**

Associate Director McCambridge, referring to the memo in the materials dated June 6, 2014 and regarding the Federal Award Applications, said the memo listed competitive FFY14 federal awards for which the Authority has recently submitted applications. Those awards included:

- Sexual Assault Services Formula Grant (VAWA SASP)
- Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders (VAWA Arrest)
- Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)
- Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement Grants
- State Justice Statistics
- Residential Substance Abuse Treatment

Associate Director McCambridge, in response to a question by Ms. Hora, said that the VAWA Arrest grant is a discretionary grant that supports Family Violence Coordinating Councils.

**Motion:** Col. Maton moved to accept the Federal Award Application Updates as described. Ms. Hora seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.

#### **4. Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) FFY09, FFY10, FFY11, and FFY12, Plan Adjustments**

##### **Designation Reductions**

Associate Director McCambridge, referring to the memo in the materials dated June 27, 2014 and regarding the JAG FFY09, FFY10, FFY11, and FFY12, Plan Adjustments, called attention to the chart on Page 1 of the memo describing funds recently returned to the Authority. She said that staff recommends that these funds be made available for future programming.

Ms. Hora said that the reason given for the funds returned from the Illinois Human Rights Commission (IHRC) / Illinois Torture Inquiry and Relief Commission was that the program's start was delayed. She said that she thought that the IHRC had gotten an appropriation from the legislature during its current grant.

Associate Director McCambridge said that the grant had begun in December of 2012, but there had been some paperwork issues. The grant was active for one year.

Ms. Hora said that she thought that the IHRC had gotten an appropriation in July of 2013.

Associate Director McCambridge said that the Authority continued to issue payments.

Authority Grant Specialist Lajuana Murphy said that the IHRC wanted to finish the Authority-issued grant before using the funds that had been appropriated in July of 2013.

Ms. Hora said that she thought that the reason that the designation had been approved was because the IHRC had not received money from the General Assembly.

##### **Recommended Designations**

Associate Director McCambridge called attention to the chart on Page 2 of the memo describing recommended designations. All projects will have a start date of October 1, 2014 and run for one year, except for the one to the Authority; it will have a July 1, 2014 start date and a September 30, 2014 end date, and the one to Winnebago County, which will run for two years.

##### **Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Greater Chicago / Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)**

Associate Director McCambridge said that the intention for this program is to provide additional training to CIT-trained officers in Advanced Youth CIT (40 hours) and to provide community outreach, education surrounding the Advanced Youth CIT program,

and provide Advanced Youth CIT officers refresher courses to encourage continued education of their current skill set. For one year, National Alliance on Mentally Ill (NAMI) Chicago staff will provide outreach to the community surrounding information regarding signs and symptoms of mental illness and the CIT program. NAMI Chicago will develop two full day refresher courses during the course of the 12 month grant period. 195 Chicago Police Department (CPD) CIT members participated in the CIT for Youth training program held between June and September of 2013. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$97,038 in FFY12 funds, with the matching funds requirement waived, to the Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Greater Chicago for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Ms. Hora asked if any other law enforcement agency in Illinois receives similar training.

Associate Director McCambridge said that she wasn't aware of any.

Ms. Hora said that it appears that the program has produced good results. She asked if it would be possible for other law enforcement agencies to send staff to receive this training.

Budget Committee Chair Greene said that training for other agencies had been allowed in the adult CIT program.

Mr. Hickey said that the CPD would have no objections to allowing other agencies to send staff to attend the CIT training.

#### *Coles County / Sex Offender Supervision*

Associate Director McCambridge said that the program would support a Dedicated Probation Officer (DPO) to serve as a liaison for the court and work with the sex offenders in the community. The DPO would be assigned to a specific caseload. Grant funds have provided juvenile offenders to attend both group and individual treatment. Adult offenders also attend weekly group treatment sessions which are funded with grant funds. Adult offenders, who have been convicted of an offense of a sexual nature, will be placed in the sex offender program. Over the past twelve months the unit had the following results:

- Number of adult assessments: 18 (funding is for juvenile assessments only)
- Number of juvenile assessments: 1
- Number of weekly adult treatment session: 51
- Number of weekly juvenile treatment sessions: 48
- Number of adult successful discharges: 5



She said that staff recommends a designation of \$62,465 in FFY12 funds to Coles County for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Cook County State's Attorney's Office (CCSAO) / Human Trafficking Task Force

Associate Director McCambridge said that CCSAO's Human Trafficking Task Force is comprised the CCSAO and its partners including The Salvation Army's (TSA) STOP-IT and the International Organization for Adolescents (IOFA). This grant would fund a human trafficking outreach coordinator to facilitate and coordinate the response throughout the CCSAO to victims of human trafficking. The coordinator provides community educational presentations in an effort to raise awareness of human trafficking and maintains ongoing communication with direct service providers. The Human Trafficking Task Force is a promising practice program and Loyola University has completed a letter of intent for possible funding to complete a study of the CCSAO Human Trafficking Task Force to examine the effectiveness the task force. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$108,866 in FFY12 funds, with the matching funds requirement waived, to Cook County for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Budget Committee Chair Greene said that the scanners are items that were not purchased under a previous agreement and the CDs and DVDs are on-going purchases.

Cook County State's Attorney's Office (CCSAO) / Community Justice Centers

Associate Director McCambridge said that with the help of this grant funding, the CCSAO will continue to support two Community Justice Centers (CJCs), one on the West Side to serve suburban Oak Park and the Austin community and one Central Center just west of downtown Chicago. These funds would maintain one coordinator and administrative assistant at the West Side CJC and a prevention coordinator and administrative assistant at the Central CJC. Each Prevention Coordinator works directly with police and the community to implement prevention strategies in neighborhoods served. Each administrative assistant is responsible for the day-to-day administrative duties of the office. The CJCs have two prosecutors assigned to each of the offices to work with law enforcement and citizens to respond to a range of concerns that include quality of life issues and targeted local concerns. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$252,198 in FFY12 funds to the CCSAO for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Cook County Public Defender's Office (CCPDO) / Public Defender Mitigators

Associate Director McCambridge said that this grant would support two Public Defender Mitigators Specialists to explore and analyze collateral sources of information contained in medical and psychiatric records, and school records in order to present accurate, specific information in pre-trial and post-conviction cases. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$136,642 in FFY12 funds to the CCPDO for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Haymarket Center / Women's Residential Treatment Programs

Associate Director McCambridge said that the McDermott Center (doing business as Haymarket Center) proposes to continue operation of Chicago's only residential program specifically for women identified as victims of human trafficking or prostitution. The program provides services such as therapy, life skills development, relapse/reentry prevention, conflict management, anger management, self-help, and vocational and educational programs. One goal of the program is to reduce incarceration among women referred to the program through provision of supported transitional housing. After discharge, the women are referred to other community-based organizations. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$336,000 in FFY12 funds, with a matching funds requirement waiver, to the Haymarket Center for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority / Data Exchange Coordination (Multiple Projects)

Associate Director McCambridge said that the Authority is currently leading several information sharing initiatives for the state of Illinois criminal justice system. The Authority is fully engaged in the following projects:

- Statewide Automated Victim Notification (SAVIN) data exchange improvement.
- National Criminal Statistics Exchange (NCS-X), National Incident Based Reporting System (NIBRS) initiatives.
- National Governors Association (NGA), Correctional Cross ~~Project~~ **Project** development.
- Illinois Data Exchange Coordinating Council (IDECC) coordination.
- Evaluation of the New Jersey Information Sharing Environment project as an Illinois model.

Associate Director McCambridge said that staff recommends a designation of \$16,000 in FFY09 funds, with a matching funds requirement waiver, to the Authority for this

program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) / Adult Male Transition Program

Associate Director McCambridge said that this pre-release program design provides for a structured environment that includes strict expectations for behavior, participation, and active involvement during substance abuse treatment programming at an IDOC Adult Transition Center (ATC). During the last 12-month reporting period:

- 139 participants have been served.
- There are 40 new participants in the program.
- 20 participants completed the program.
- 80 clients participated in the substance abuse program of which 2,293 hours of drug education was provided, 118 hours of individual counseling/treatment was conducted and 3,247 hours of group counseling was conducted.
- There were 16 new admissions and 14 successful releases.
- Case management provided 324.75 hours of direct service.
- 29 offenders received reentry services.

Associate Director McCambridge said that staff recommends a designation of \$331,569 in FFY12 funds to the IDOC for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Mr. Krause, in response to a question by Ms. Hora, said that the program has eight full-time equivalent (FTE) employees; three drug treatment counselors, one clerical worker, three case managers, and a coordinator. There are also some part-time staff members.

Illinois State Police (ISP) / Crimes Against Seniors Program (CASP)

Associate Director McCambridge said that CASP Inspectors investigate suspected financial exploitation of the elderly. These funds will support speaking engagements and information dissemination to other professionals who work with seniors. CASP has six full-time investigators. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$228,308 in FFY12 funds to the ISP for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Lake County State's Attorney's Office (LCSAO) / Crime Intelligence Analyst

Associate Director McCambridge said that the LCSAO Crime Intelligence Analyst's activities include intelligence collecting, analyzing, and disseminating, as well as supporting investigations and prosecutions of specific organized crime members. The

analyst provides information to the LCSAO, 40 local police agencies, Lake County Metropolitan Enforcement Group, ISP, and federal Department of Justice agencies tasked with enforcing against crime, as well as to surrounding counties in southeastern Wisconsin and northern Illinois. Over the past twelve months the unit had the following results:

- Number of cases: 384
- Number of prosecutions: 289
- Number of seizures: 23
- Number of search warrants: 220
- Number of eavesdropping orders: 26
- Number of forfeitures filed: 276
- Number of forfeitures judgments: 236
- Number of forfeiture recovered in currency: \$373,921.33
- Number of forfeiture recovered in value of real property: \$23,304.89

Associate Director McCambridge said that staff recommends a designation of \$51,579 in FFY12 funds to the LCSAO for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

*City of St. Charles / Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Unit – North Central Narcotics Task Force (NCNTF)*

Associate Director McCambridge said that these funds would support an expansion effort that would include a new office in northwest Cook County serving the Arlington Heights Police Department, the Hanover Park Police Department, and the Schaumburg Police Department. These funds would supplement the existing designation to the NCNTF.

Ms. Janowitz said that this is a small amount of money being added to an existing designation. There has been a lot of attention paid lately to an uptick in heroin deaths. The kinds of tactics being employed by multi-jurisdictional task forces are the same ones that are having their effectiveness called into question at Sentencing Policy Advisory Council (SPAC) meetings. She asked if at some point more information would be provided detailing the efficacy of such programs. She said that the approach to dealing with heroin deaths by increasing the effort to arrest heroin dealers is not necessarily reassuring. It is very hard to respond to this kind of designation because there is rhetoric regarding increasing arrests and this designation would be part of a larger package, there is no discussion about where these funds should really be going. Perhaps the question would be better raised in the context of a comprehensive review of all of the multi-jurisdictional narcotics task forces, but in the view of the other conversations within the criminal justice system regarding narcotics enforcement and its consequences, to simply hear again that the goal is to arrest heroin dealers is not particularly reassuring.

ISP Master Sergeant Bill Backus, representing the NCNTF, said that he could not speak for all of the Metropolitan Enforcement Groups (MEGs) and task forces, but the NCNTF conducts community presentations to high schools and community groups about the heroin epidemic. The NCNTF works with the Kane County Prosecutor's Office and the Kendall County Prosecutor's Office to move addicts into diversionary programs and try to get them the treatment that they need. The idea is not simply to lock up heroin addicts. The NCNTF does its due diligence to get those people the help that they need while focusing on the people who are bringing the heroin into the communities.

Col. Maton said that the northwest suburban police chiefs have approached the task force model because individual initiatives are ineffective against crimes like heroin trafficking. A coordinated approach is the only viable one.

Associate Director McCambridge said that staff recommends a designation of \$56,000 in FFY10 funds to the City of St. Charles for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

*City of St. Charles / Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Unit – North Central Narcotics Task Force (NCNTF)*

Associate Director McCambridge said that this request was to increase an existing designation to accommodate the expansion effort described in the previous item. The previous item was to supplement existing funding, and this item is to supplement the NCNTF's next designation in support of a grant beginning on October 1, 2014, thus allowing for the continuation of the expansion. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$56,000 in FFY12 funds to the City of St. Charles for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

*Northwestern University / Sheriff's Women's Justice Program (SWJP)*

Associate Director McCambridge said that the SWJP is a jail diversion program for non-violent drug-using women. This project will provide post-release services to women who are currently and formerly participants. The current project provides community re-entry services in a transitional clinic setting by Northwestern staff in collaboration with the Cook County Sheriff's Office. This project continues the development of a transitional clinic specifically for women exiting the criminal justice system, entitled *The Empowerment Center*. Through the Empowerment Center, participants with substance use and mental health disorders can receive evidenced based programming and case management services by professional staff. This proposal outlines a treatment intervention that will also formally evaluate the effectiveness of the program and its

components. With the current funding the program has served 142 clients, and 33 new clients. The average stay of each participant is three months. To date 141 have completed treatment. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$208,332 in FFY12 funds, with a matching funds requirement waiver, to Northwestern University for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

*St. Leonard's Ministries / Residential Program for Formerly Incarcerated Men*

Associate Director McCambridge said that St. Leonard's House is a transitional, residential program for men exiting prison with no other resources with which to rebuild their lives. St. Leonard's House has created a team approach for social services. The team does assessments, creates service plans, and follows through with progress reports, etc. with the individual. In Fiscal Year 2013 to-date, 380+ individuals were served through St. Leonard's Ministries: 120 in St. Leonard's House men's program; another 65 in a second stage permanent housing Shelter + Care program; 45 women were housed in a women's program. 77 percent were African American, 13 percent were Caucasian and 10 percent were Hispanic. The average age was 40 in the housing programs and 34 in the training programs. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$100,000 in FFY12 funds to St. Leonard's Ministries for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

*State Appellate Defender's Office (SADO) / Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project*

Associate Director McCambridge said that the SADO is a State of Illinois Agency whose principal function is to represent indigent persons on appeal in criminal cases when appointed by the Illinois Supreme Court, the Appellate Court or the Circuit Court. In the current grant there were 44 cases defended, and 13 briefs or disposition motions filed. There are 221 cases currently assigned. There are 43 un-briefed cases at the end of the quarter. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$151,623 in FFY11 funds to the SADO for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

*State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor's Office (SAAPO) / Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project*

Associate Director McCambridge said that the current grant allows for two full-time program attorneys: one is based in the Ottawa, Illinois Office (3rd District), and another is based in Springfield, Illinois (4th District). Funding would support salaries and benefits for each of the program staff attorneys. Program attorneys will work solely on cases involving sentencing issues and expedite such issues to the appellate Court per the

applicable Illinois Supreme Court rules, thus preventing a backlog of un-briefed cases. Over the past twelve months the unit had the following results:

- Number of cases filed: 246.
  - (68) by grant attorneys
  - (178) by non-grant attorneys
- Number of cases argued: 39.
  - (9) by grant attorneys
  - (30) by non-grant attorneys
- Progress of backlog of un-briefed cases with sentencing issues: 32.
  - (8) Start of program
  - (24) to-date progress of program

Associate Director McCambridge said that staff recommends a designation of \$227,440 in FFY12 funds to the SAAPO for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Ms. Hora said that the total program cost is basically \$300,000, or \$150,000 each for two staff attorneys' salaries and benefits, which would be a significant amount of money.

Associate Director McCambridge said that these funds might support more than two individuals even though only two FTEs would be supported.

Col. Maton said that the salaries are probably set by state contract and the office probably does not have much leeway in determining salaries.

Budget Committee Chair Greene said that benefits can account for as much as 40 percent of a staff person's cost.

*Tazewell County Children's Advocacy Center / Prevention Education*

Associate Director McCambridge said that this grant funds the salary of a Prevention Educator for the Tazewell County Children's Advocacy Center. The Prevention Educator works with children and adults and discusses sex abuse, how to prevent sex abuse, how to identify when a child has suffered sexual abuse, and, for children, the differences between good touch and bad touch. To date the Prevention Educator has presented to 56 adults, 38 schools, reaching 6,726 children thus far. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$8,400 in FFY12 funds to the Tazewell County Child Advocacy Center for this program. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Winnebago County / Illinois Center of Excellence for Behavioral Health and Justice

Associate Director McCambridge said that The Center of Excellence is designed as a statewide entity whose mission is to equip communities to appropriately respond to the needs of persons with behavioral health disorders that are involved in the criminal justice system. To that end, it provides training, technical assistance, and resources to improve systemic responses to persons with mental health and/or substance use disorders involved in the criminal justice system. From October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013, of the 102 counties in Illinois, the Center provided customized training to 31 counties and 32 counties received technical assistance or were in attendance at trainings supported by the Center. Of the 16 counties with new problem-solving courts initiated during this period, 14 of the counties had received technical assistance and/or training from the Center. The Center schedules trainings based on the availability of each site requesting training. The Center provides a flexible approach to providing technical assistance and training in order to meet the specific needs of each county. She said that staff recommends a designation of \$439,410 in FFY12 funds to the Winnebago County to allow this program to operate for two years. She described the program's budget details as described in the Grant Recommendation Report.

Associate Director McCambridge, in response to a question by Mr. Hickey, said that problem-solving courts were any of the specialty courts; drug courts, mental health courts, veterans' courts, etc.

**Motion:** Ms. Hora moved to approve the JAG FFY09, FFY10, FFY11, and FFY12 plan adjustments. The motion was seconded by Ms. Sanchez-Bass and approved by unanimous voice vote, with abstentions relating to specific line items as follows:

- Ms. Sanchez-Bass abstained relative to the CCPDO line item(s).
- Ms. Dunne abstained relative to the CCSO line item(s).
- Ms. Janowitz abstained relative to the SADO line item(s).
- Mr. Krause abstained relative to the IDOC line item(s).
- Col. Maton abstained relative to the ISP line item(s).
- Ms. Greene abstained relative to the CCSAO and St. Leonard's Ministries line items(s).

**Violence Against Women Act – Arrest Grant (VAWA A) FFY11 Plan Adjustment**

Associate Director McCambridge, referring to the memo in the materials dated June 27, 2014 and regarding the VAWA A FFY11 Plan Adjustment, said that this was basically a housekeeping item. She called attention to the chart in the memo and said that staff



requested approval to make final adjustments to these designations as indicated in the chart.

**Motion:** Ms. Hora moved to approve the VAWA A FFY11 plan adjustments. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dunne and approved by unanimous voice vote.

**Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Act (RSAT) FFY14 (Tabled Item)**

Associate Director McCambridge, referring to the memo in the materials dated June 27, 2014 and regarding the RSAT FFY14 Tabled Item, said that at the May 7, 2014 Budget Committee meeting there was much discussion about RSAT programs for the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) and the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice (IDJJ). At that meeting the FFY14 designation for the IDJJ St. Charles Screening Program was tabled for further discussion. Since that time, we have learned that our FFY14 RSAT award is eight percent less than anticipated and we no longer have grant funding available for the program. If it is determined that this program should be funded, it would have to happen at a future date and use either lapsing RSAT funds or funds from the next RSAT award.

**Motion:** Ms. Hora moved to approve the RSAT FFY14 plan adjustments. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gonzalez and approved by unanimous voice vote, with an abstention by Mr. Krause.

**Violence Prevention Programs - Bullying Prevention (BP); Violence Prevention Grants / Legacy (PV); Chicago Project for Violence Prevention / Ceasefire (CPP); Illinois Family Violence Coordinating Councils (VC)**

Associate Director McCambridge, referring to the memo in the materials dated June 27, 2014 and regarding the BP, PV, CPP, and VC programs, said that all of these items are basically housekeeping.

**Bullying Prevention (BP) – Program Relocation**

Associate Director McCambridge said that the Pioneer Center for Human Services was designated \$24,030 in BP SFY14 funds to support its Olweus Bullying Prevention program. The Pioneer Center has since learned that they would not be able to utilize the school originally identified as the recipient of the program (Lundahl Middle School). The program will be implemented at Harvard Junior High School and Harrison Middle School, both of which are in McHenry County, instead.

Violence Prevention Programs (PV) – Safe from the Start

Associate Director McCambridge said that staff recommends designating a total of \$7,240 in PV SFY15 funds to entities as described in the table at the bottom of the attached Grant Recommendation Report to support Safe from the Start training. These funds would supplement the existing designations made at the April 9, 2014 Budget Committee meeting.

Associate Director McCambridge, in response to a question by Ms. Hora, said that the distribution of these funds would be based on need. Staff has learned that there were further costs associated with the Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing Therapy (EMDR) training that had already been approved.

Ms. Hora requested that staff take a close look at the Phoenix Crisis Center as there have been some recent disconcerting financial issues involving its board.

Chicago Project for Violence Prevention - CeaseFire

Associate Director McCambridge said that the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) had been designated a total of \$4.7 million to support CeaseFire. She said that as a matter of housekeeping, staff requests that the existing designation to UIC for \$4.7 million be reduced by \$150,000 and that the \$150,000 be made available to the Authority for administrative purposes.

Associate Director McCambridge, in response to a question by Mr. Fashina, said that UIC had initially indicated that they would not need the \$150,000, so staff recommends re-purposing those funds. This is a large grant that consumes considerable amounts of staff time and resources.

Illinois Family Violence Coordinating Councils

Associate Director McCambridge said that the Hamilton/Jefferson Regional Office of Education (ROE) was originally designated \$22,860 in SFY14 VC funds to support a Local Council Coordinator (LCC) position. The First and Second Judicial Circuits had shared an LCC who left in December, after the original grant to the Hamilton/Jefferson ROE. The program has since determined that it would not need that entire designation to support its LCC position. Staff requests that the designation to Hamilton/Jefferson ROE be reduced by \$19,478 from \$22,860 down to \$3,382, and that the \$19,478 be made available to the Authority for administrative purposes.

**Motion:** Ms. Hora moved to approve the adjustments to the BP, PV, CPP, and VC programs. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gonzalez and approved by unanimous voice vote.

### **Fund 318 Community Violence Prevention Programs (318 CVPP)**

Associate Director McCambridge, referring to the supplemental memo at the member's places dated June 27, 2014 and regarding the Fund 318 CVPP, said that these designations were originally made at the September 25, 2013 Budget Committee meeting using \$14,300,000 in General Revenue Violence Prevention Programs (VPP) SFY14 funds. Staff had originally been instructed that these funds would be available for use through August 31, 2014. Staff has since received revised instructions from the Comptroller's Office that these funds would not be available past June 30, 2014. However, 21 of the 22 contracts as executed are for programs that run through August 31, as originally planned. Therefore, staff requests that \$3,155,000 in available Fund 318 SFY15 funds be designated in the same proportions as the original SFY14 designations to the Community Violence Prevention Programs to allow them to continue to operate until the ends of their grant agreements on August 31, 2014. Staff also recommends reducing the amounts of the VPP SFY14 designations by the same amounts that each will receive in Fund 318 SFY15 funds, thereby keeping the overall designations the same. Similarly, two existing grants supporting the Chicago Area Project (CAP) will see their funds expire on June 30, 2014, but the grant agreements are for programs that will run through August 31, 2014. Therefore, staff recommends reducing the CAP's Chicago Area Project Reduce Recidivism SFY14 designation by \$45,000 and the CAP's Chicago Area Project SFY14 designation by \$300,000 and replacing those funds with Fund 318 SFY15 funds to allow the programs to operate until August 31, 2014. She said that there will be no changes to the programs themselves or to the overall designation amounts; staff is simply requesting access to an additional funding stream to make the original agreements happen.

Authority General Counsel Lisa Stephens said that the Fund 318 funds requested for use constitute funds recovered from the Neighborhood Recovery Initiative (NRI) that was administered by the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority (IVPA). She said that Fund 318 is non-appropriated. These funds would allow the youth employment programs and the parent programs to continue.

Associate Director McCambridge, in response to a comment by Ms. Hora, said that the Circle Family Healthcare grant had been rescinded.

Ms. Hora said that there is no list of designees in the materials and that she had reviewed the minutes of the September 25, 2013 Budget Committee meeting and they were not

identified there either. At that time, the Budget Committee was told that the lead agencies would be the same as they were the previous year.

Associate Director McCambridge said that those designees were identified at a later meeting.

Ms. Hora said that she was not comfortable voting for these designations without a list of recipients and their respective specific amounts.

General Counsel Stephens said that the lead agencies would not change relative to their SFY14 designations.

**Motion:** Mr. Hickey moved to approve the Fund 318 CVPP designations. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dunne and approved by voice vote as follows:

<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Ms. Sanchez-Bass	Mr. Gonzalez	Ms. Greene
Ms. Dunne	Ms. Hora	Mr. Fashina
Mr. Krause		Col. Maton
Mr. Hickey		
Ms. Janowitz		
<b>Yes – 5</b>	<b>No – 2</b>	<b>Abstain - 3</b>

**Old Business**

None.

**New Business**

None.

**Adjourn**

**Motion:** Ms. Hora moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Gonzalez seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.