



**ILLINOIS
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Regular Authority Meeting
Friday, June 6, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.
160 N. LaSalle
Chicago

AGENDA

- Call to Order and Roll Call
- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the March 7, 2008 Regular Meeting
- Chairman's Remarks
- 2. Executive Director's Remarks
- 3. Budget Committee Report (*Eugene E. Murphy Jr. Chair*)
 - a. Report on March 18, 2008 and April 29, 2008 Budget Committee Meetings
 - b. FFY04 Anti-Drug Abuse Act (ADAA) Plan Adjustment #13
 - c. Fiscal Report
- Domestic Sex Trafficking of Chicago Women and Girls (*Jessica Ashley*)
- Adjourn

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REGULAR MEETING

ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY

March 7, 2008, 9:20 a.m.
160 North LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Sorosky convened the regular meeting of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and asked Jack Cutrone, the Authority's General Counsel, to call the roll.

In addition to the Chairman, other Authority members in attendance were:

Chief David P. Bradford
Ms. Dorothy Brown
Sheriff Thomas Dart
Sheriff Jerry Dawson
Ms. Becky Jansen
Ms. Ellen Mandeltort
Director Michael J. Pelletier
Ms. Mariyana Spyropoulos
Mr. John Z. Toscas
Director Roger E. Walker, Jr.
Superintendent Jody P. Weis

Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Sorosky welcomed Board Members to the Authority's first meeting of the year and also on behalf of the Authority welcomed new Board Members Chicago Police Department Superintendent Jody Weis and State Appellate Defender Michael Pelletier. He added that the Authority looked forward to working with them.

Executive Director's Remarks

Chairman Sorosky then called on Executive Director Levin for her remarks while waiting for several Board Members who were enroute to make up a quorum. Director Levin stated that since the last Board meeting, the Authority had moved to a new location comprising the entire seventh floor of 300 West Adams. Director Levin complimented Hank Anthony, Associate Director of the Office of Administrative Services, and Donald Pignato, as well as all the staff who worked together to make the move happen.

She then reported that IPSAN, despite being sent a letter informing them that their equipment needed to be removed from 120 S. Riverside Plaza had not complied.

Director Levin turned to personnel matters, including an anticipated filling of the position of Chief Financial Officer. She continued to say that Tony Jenkins has returned to the Authority as the Associate Director for the Information Systems Unit. She noted that he had been very helpful in making the move go smoothly, along with Herb Johnson, who was ISU Acting Associate Director, whom she also thanked.

In addition, Director Levin introduced Victoria Cruz, a new grant monitor working in the Federal and State Grants Unit. She also announced that Jessica Ashley and Christine Devitt were promoted to Public Service Administrators, as Supervisors in the Research and Analysis unit, and that Erica Hughes was promoted to Criminal Justice Specialist Two.

With respect to the Authority's Budget, she stated that some General Revenue was added to the Authority's budget to make up for the amendatory veto of the Authority's federal match and that CMS will be picking up the Authority's last three months' rent at 120 S. Riverside Plaza.

She also mentioned that the Authority has been working with the Governor's Safety Net Works initiative, a multi-agency juvenile violence prevention program. She stated that it not only is using the Authority's Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant (JAIBG) funds, but that Mark Myrent and his staff were going to be playing an instrumental role by doing a real time program evaluation.

In addition, she said that the Authority has been working on the NIU tragedy with the Office for Victims of Crime, which approached the Authority. She explained that the Authority has been coordinating with the Department of Mental Health and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and will be seeking funds for some mental health services for the young people who were in the auditorium at the time of the shooting.

She then reviewed the current situation with the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants, stating that the President refused to sign a budget at the levels that Congress had passed. The President's response resulted in an omnibus appropriations bill emerging that had drastic cuts for a number of the Authority's funding streams. She said one of them was the Byrne JAG allocation which was decreased by two-thirds to \$174 million.

She explained that the Authority operates in arrears, with current year's grants' funding coming from prior years' awards, putting it in better shape than other states which are operating out of current years funds. She continued to say that because the Authority operates in arrears and spent slightly over \$1 million, if only \$4 million is received, there will be approximately \$3 million from the year before that can be used to make up for the decrease. So that at least as an impact, the Authority will be short about \$1.5 million, necessitating some additional cuts. On a more positive note, she reported that various groups have been lobbying Congress and it is hoped that these lobbying efforts may produce positive results.

She then turned to the Victims of Crime Act funds stating that the VOCA cap was also lowered again and that the situation was very dire. She recounted that VOCA funds are non-appropriated, deriving from fines on federal defendants and originally spent as they accrued. Due to some major white collar cases generating extremely high fines, VOCA funds were given a cap. She said that the cap was lowered last year decreasing funds to Illinois by \$1.1 million and it has been lowered again affecting the State for \$2 million less. She explained that since the Authority made up the \$1.1 million with JAG, it would be down \$3 million next year. As to VOCA also, there have been efforts by various groups to try to restore some of the funding.

She said that any help Board Members could give by contacting the Congressional delegation both individually as well as by sending the form letter would be appreciated.

Approval of Minutes for the December 7, 2007 Authority Meeting

Chairman Sorosky thanked Director Levin for her report. With the additional Board Members having arrived, a roll call was conducted and it was determined that a quorum was present. Chairman Sorosky then asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the last Authority meeting.

{Mr. Toscas made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2007 Authority Meeting. Director Walker seconded the motion and it was approved by unanimous voice vote.}

Budget Committee Report by Associate Director for Federal and State Grants Unit John Chojnacki in the Absence of Committee Chair Eugene E. Murphy, Jr.

Chairman Sorosky asked Mr. Chojnacki if there were any comments he wanted to make about the Budget Committee that took place on January 3, 2008. In response, Mr. Chojnacki indicated that there was nothing additional to what appeared in the distributed report. Chairman Sorosky then called on Ron Litwin, Acting Chief Financial Officer, for a fiscal report.

Fiscal Report by Acting Chief Financial Officer, Ron Litwin

Mr. Litwin directed attention to Exhibit 1 comparing expenditures and obligations for the first seven months of fiscal 2008 to the total year budget. He began by pointing out that the Personal Services, Retirement and FICA line items grouped together were basically in accord with the budgeted amounts. He moved to the Contractual line and explained that the expenditures are lagging the budget, but would increase when the cost of moving is reflected in these numbers. He commented on a number of other particular budget items and noted that under the Criminal Justice Trust Fund, expenditures and obligations are 75 percent of the full year budget and that the Miscellaneous Award Grants, which are funds for investigating criminal justice issues, are far lower than budgeted.

Chairman Sorosky then introduced Cara Smith, Deputy Chief of Staff for the Attorney General's Office, to discuss new legislation on sex offender registration requirements.

Presentation on Proposed Legislation on Sex Offender Registration Requirements by Cara Smith

Ms. Smith explained that in late July, 2006 President Bush signed the federal Adam Walsh Act, that Title I of that legislation is called SORNA, the Sex Offender Registration Notification Act provisions, and that every state is required to comply with them by July, 2009 or risk losing 10 percent of its Byrne grant funding.

She continued to say that since July 2006, that there will be some significant changes required for Illinois and other states. She commented that Illinois' laws have improved over the past several years and much of Illinois's law is in compliance with the federal requirements as contained in title I of the Walsh Act. But she added that there are three areas that are particularly controversial and will cause major discussion in Illinois and across the country: juvenile registration, retroactivity, and tiered registration.

Ms. Smith explained that the purpose of the act basically was to assure that states have similar registration laws and minimum registration requirements to comply with the Walsh Act. She continued to explain that it requires a three-tiered registration system, 15 years, 25 years or lifetime registration depending on the crime for which a person. Walsh requires that the system apply not only to everyone that is currently registered but also to people who were convicted of crimes in the past and either completed their registration requirement or who were convicted at a time when no registration was required. As an example of the latter, someone who was convicted in 1975 of a rape case when Illinois did not have registration, that person would have gone to prison, been released, done parole and there would have been no more that the person had to do. Under the Walsh Act, rape would be classified as a lifetime registration crime and if that person, the 1975 rapist, gets convicted for any felony or misdemeanor, whether sexually related or not, after Illinois complies, he would then be put onto the registration system going forward.

Another controversial area is juvenile registration. She said that the law was amended several years ago to require that juvenile sex offenders register as adults when they attain their 17th birthday, which generated a tremendous amount of controversy. Last year, legislation was passed that vested the juvenile court judges with discretion about the length of registration. After a period of time registering, juveniles may petition a juvenile court judge to terminate their registration requirement. She related that there was a great deal of support both in the juvenile offenders advocacy community as well as in the General Assembly for this sort of individualized registration system.

Ms. Smith explained that the Walsh Act requires that any juvenile offender who commits the crime of aggravated criminal sexual assault or more severe on or after their 14th birthday must register as an adult in all regards, with all that information made public. She stated that piece is a very controversial development and that all states are dealing with what it means for their juvenile justice systems.

Recognizing the significant changes that this required compliance with the federal law was going to mean for Illinois, she said that the Attorney General's Office worked with the Department of Corrections, the State Police, and the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, holding ten meetings around the state in October and November. She said that there was very high attendance at the meetings, with over 600 people attending, including law enforcement, prosecutors, defense attorneys, treatment providers, advocates and others. She related how they divided the bill into pieces so that everyone could spend a few hours discussing each piece, with a great deal of concern about retroactivity and the juvenile requirements.

She reported that there is an office created within the Walsh Act called the SMART Office, designed to provide technical assistance to states that are contemplating compliance. She reported that there are no states thus far to have been deemed in compliance with the Walsh Act, adding that a few states that were out in front and passed legislation that was intended to be compliant, experiencing tremendous challenges in their states.

She remarked that because of the problems around the country and because the Smart Office has not yet made final guidelines available, the Attorney General's Office is recommending a very careful approach to compliance. She added that Illinois does not stand to suffer any fiscal loss unless compliance is not reached by July, 2009, and that there is another legislative session after the current one within which to take the next steps that will be necessary. Ms. Smith said that what the Attorney General's office is recommending for this legislative session is just to create and go forward with the tiered system for offenders, not to deal with retroactivity and not to deal with the juvenile piece until there is greater guidance from the SMART Office in order to determine what to ask the legislature to do.

She said that the guidelines generated a tremendous amount of comments to the SMART office with over 800 pages just on the juvenile provisions. She remarked that she was concerned that rushing forward without proper guidance from the SMART Office could lead not only to having to return to the legislature next year but could cripple the criminal justice system with injunctions or lawsuits by offenders whose ten-year registration terms have been changed to life-time registrations.

In conclusion, Ms. Smith said she wanted to make sure that the Authority Board Members had the framework within which the Attorney General's Office has been looking at this issue and asked if anyone had questions or concerns. She said that she would be happy to provide more information.

Clerk Brown asked how long juveniles would need to register according to the federal law. Ms. Smith said that under the federal law they fall within tier three which is lifetime, but after 25 years they could request a clean record reduction. She then referred to a resource book that the Attorney General's office prepared for the meetings that were held with information relevant to each meeting's topic.

To Clerk Brown's point, Ms. Smith displayed an adult juvenile citation report, which lists the number of juveniles registered in Illinois for every crime, showing the range of crimes, with a similar listing for adults. She said that summaries of the Act, summaries of the guidelines, and maps of the offender populations county by county in the state are also included. Clerk Brown inquired if the registration information published for juveniles is public, with Ms. Smith responding affirmatively.

Ms. Smith indicated that the states are required to submit their compliance plans to the SMART Office by April, 2009. Ms. Smith also reported that states can receive an extension of the effective date of up to two years if necessary, but she thought that Illinois would be ready to file by the deadline.

Director Levin then reiterated that with the juvenile and other issues involved, it was important for the Board Members to be fully aware of the situation, particularly in light of the two-thirds reduction in funding and the possibility of another 10 percent loss of Byrne JAG money.

Chief Bradford noted that in his conversations with some legislators regarding the Walsh Act, there was strong sentiment against removing any of the provisions for a hearing that a juvenile offender might have before a judge and the judge's discretion. He said that in his discussions, if removing that type of provision and taking it out of the Illinois law were required versus losing 10 percent, the sentiment expressed was to lose the 10 percent. Ms. Smith replied that the bill being introduced leaves intact the juvenile system that is currently in place and does not adjust those provisions.

Mr. Pelletier then turned to the issue of substantial compliance. He asked that if Illinois addresses only one of the three provisions of the Walsh Act's Sex Offender Registration Notification Act, and not juvenile registration; and if two areas were corrected and the state's juvenile provision is left intact, would that qualify as substantial compliance and keep Illinois from losing the 10 percent.

In reply, Ms. Smith said that although she was not sure, her sense is that states are looking for ways to structure their systems so that they can argue they are compliant while not adhering specifically to the Act's requirement of 14-year olds on the public registry. She added that juvenile registration is the single issue about which the Smart Office is receiving the most concern and she thinks the Smart Office is very interested in working with states on this issue. She also said she thinks that the Smart Office was not fully aware of the concern it would be hearing from around the country about juvenile registration, so Illinois should argue strongly that its current law should be found in compliance.

Director Walker then asked if there is any fiscal tax associated with this compliance, and if there is, will the federal government assist the states. Ms. Smith said she thought there will be assistance particularly for the state police and for local law enforcement agencies. She further said that grant funding is supposed to be available to states under the Act, that

she was unaware of funding for many of the grants that are addressed, and that the fiscal issue will be relevant, but as yet, she did not have an amount.

In the ensuing conversation, Clerk Jansen raised the impact the Act would have on the circuit court clerk's office. She stated that anytime the circuit court is involved, it affects the circuit clerk's office financially by generating more work, especially in retrieving old files, and thus thought that circuit court clerks should be included in discussions regarding the Act. Ms. Smith agreed, with Clerk Jansen reiterating the integral part the circuit court would play by passing on the records.

Ms. Mandeltort stated that the two ways she thinks the State can legally not comply with the Adam Walsh Act would be if there was an Illinois Supreme Court opinion or something in the Illinois Constitution that conflicts with the requirements of the Walsh Act.

Director Levin said as Executive Director, she would like some direction as to what the Board wants to do in terms of whether they just want to be kept abreast, whether they want to study the legislation that the Attorney General will be introducing, or whether the Board wants the Authority to draft additional legislation. She added that she did not want the Board at some point to say that the Authority is not fiscally prudent and at the same time, that the Criminal Justice Information Authority does not just deal with fiscal concerns, but with the general concerns of bettering the criminal justice system. Therefore, she asked for advice from the Board as to what direction should be taken.

Chief Bradford said that at a minimum, the Board might want to consider an expression of support for amending the legislation on the Congressional level to deal with these issues because he felt Illinois is not the only state in this situation.

Ms. Smith stated that if Illinois were to comply with the proposed guidelines now, it could be discovered subsequently that the SMART Office revisited them or were persuaded by comments to make changes and that the final rules would be different than those on paper today. She said that the SMART Office has indicated that the guidelines will be finalized soon but it has been many weeks at this point.

Clerk Brown said she thinks that the Authority Board should follow the lead of the Attorney General's Office since they appear to be fully aware of the situation and should monitor it along with the Attorney General's Office. She added that the Authority Board should keep in mind that it may want to propose some legislative amendments later but should support the Attorney General's proposed legislation that does not include retroactivity and not amend the juvenile provisions.

Additionally, she said that the Authority should monitor the development of the Attorney General's plan to be in substantial compliance focusing on July 2009 when a request for an extension to 2011 may be contemplated.

{ Chairman Sorosky said that Clerk Brown's very cogent, wise comments would be considered a motion. Chief Bradford seconded Clerk Brown's motion, which was approved unanimously. }

Chairman Sorosky asked General Counsel Jack Cutrone to discuss another issue that was discussed at the Legislation and Regulations Committee Meeting on February 25 involving the Violence Against Women Act.

Mr. Cutrone said the reason the Legislation and Regulations Committee was referring this issue to the full Board is that some information was lacking at the time of the committee's meeting. He explained that there is currently in Illinois a requirement that individuals who are indicted or who have been the subject of a finding of probable cause as to a sex offense be tested for HIV. He added that the latest reenactment of the Violence Against Women Act requires that the testing be done within 48 hours of indictment or information. He mentioned that a bill was introduced in the House last year to accomplish that and passed unanimously through the House. He said that it was referred to the Senate, sponsored by Senator Dillard, and referred to the Rules Committee in May, 2007, where it has remained.

Mr. Cutrone said that the Legislation and Regulations Committee was concerned that unless some further action was taken to bring it out of committee it would just stay there. He noted that Illinois would then go out of compliance with the Violence Against Women Act, which is required some time next year, and that would cost Illinois five percent of its annual VAWA award. He reported that since the Legislation and Regulations Committee meeting, the Authority's lobbyist, Tom Nolan, contacted Senator Dillard's Office and advised him of the nature of the problem, and that Senator Dillard promised to exert his best efforts to have it moved out of committee and passed through the Senate. Mr. Cutrone stated that since Illinois already requires the testing and it was only that the testing be done within 48 hours that needed to be added, it seemed a non-controversial issue. He added that he did not see it as generating much controversy in the Senate, with its having passed unanimously through the House, and his comments were only informational.

Chairman Sorosky thanked Mr. Cutrone and asked if there were any questions or concerns. Not having received any, Chairman Sorosky introduced Mark Myrent, Director of Research and Analysis, to relate trends and issues in the area of criminal justice.

Trends and Issues Data Presentation by Mark Myrent

Mr. Myrent said that Trends and Issues was the Authority's flagship publication, with the Research Division producing statistical portraits of the trends in criminal justice that have taken place over time. He related that this is the 20-year anniversary of the first edition and that it has been 10 years since the last one, adding that the plan is to publish it regularly every other year.

He acknowledged and thanked the research staff members who worked on Trends and Issues over the past year: Kimberly Burke, who served as the project manager and authored the chapter on victims of crime; Cristine Devitt, Erica Hughes, Sal Perry and Idetta Phillips, who worked on the law enforcement chapter; Sharyn Adams, who produced the courts chapter; Mark Powers, who developed the corrections chapter, and Jessica Ashley and Lindsay Boswick, who created the juvenile justice chapter.

He explained that the publication is organized into the chapters that he referenced, but rather than talking about the entire report, he was going to focus on the core trends in the adult criminal justice system. Mr. Myrent stated that when crime is examined overall, the focus generally is on the eight index crimes, four violent crimes and four property crimes. He said that Illinois has experienced a steady downward trend in the number of index offenses both violent and property combined from the 11-year period from 1995 to 2005. He added that crime reported to police dropped in the state as a whole for the 12th consecutive year in 2005, and total index crimes decreased by 28 percent, a trend that somewhat mirrors the nationwide decline that began in 1994 after the highest ever reported totals in the early 90s.

He said that the decline in reported violent crime as a whole for the state actually went down 43 percent over this 11-year period, holding true especially in Chicago. He continued to say that Chicago although having a higher violent offense rate than the rest of the state, also has the greatest decline over the last 11 years as well. He added that from 1995 to 2005 the violent index offense rate actually fell 51 percent in Chicago, and only 29 percent in the rest of the state. He said that upon examination of these numbers, when violent crime is discussed, the violent index offense trends are driven largely by aggravated assault and to a lesser extent robbery.

He remarked that when this decrease that is driven by Chicago is reviewed, some different trends across the state are seen. He said that again Chicago had its 51 percent decline that was even greater than the state as a whole, and that an examination of the four component offense types – murder, criminal sexual assault, robbery and aggravated assault – showed similar decreases. But he said that is not the case in all the other regions, such as in the suburbs where there are very slight declines for murder, sexual assault, and robbery and a very steep decline for aggravated assault. He said therefore the decrease in the suburbs is being driven extensively by aggravated assault.

Moving to the collar regions, Mr. Myrent indicated that there was a very slight decline in murder and sexual assault and bigger declines in robbery and aggravated assault over the last ten years, with a similar trend in the urban areas. He added that the declines were being led by mostly large drop-offs for robbery and aggravated assault and not so much for murder and sexual assault. For the rural areas of Illinois, he pointed out that there was a somewhat less steep decline overall at 22 percent and in 2005, the last year of the trend, a rise developing in the violent offense rates, particularly in aggravated assault.

Shifting to property crime, he said that there has been a decrease over the ten-year period in that sphere as well, with Illinois having experienced a 30 percent decrease in property

index offenses over the 11-year period. He explained that again in every year Chicago had a higher property index crime rate than the combined rest of the state, but the difference between Chicago and the rest of the state each year was not as great as with violent index offenses. He added that the rate of decline in property index crimes over the 11-year period was similar between Chicago and the rest of Illinois.

Mr. Myrent then moved on to a discussion of the courts. He said in terms of felony court filings in criminal court, between 1995 and 2005 the number of felony filings in Illinois increased by five percent, with a big difference across the state. He added that the felony filings increased in the urban and the collar counties by about 34 percent and in the rural counties by about 40 percent, but that in Cook County felony filings had actually decreased by 22 percent over the 11-year period. He said that misdemeanor court filings were somewhat different and although the felony filings have increased, the misdemeanor case filings have decreased by 20 percent statewide from 1995 to 2005. He added there were decreases to a modest degree in the urban and rural counties and 25 percent in Cook County, with the collar counties remaining about the same.

He stated that mirroring the trends in felony case filings, the number of offenders convicted of a felony and sentenced in Illinois increased similarly by five percent, with substantial differences across the state and Cook County. In Cook County he said convictions and sentences actually decreased by 18 percent, but in some of the other areas, there were large increases in convictions, including 15 percent in the collar counties, 47 percent in the urban areas, and 59 percent in the rural areas.

He said that the number of convicted felons sentenced to probation during this period decreased seven percent led by Cook County with a 31 percent decrease. Addressing felony sentences to the Illinois Department of Corrections, he said that those numbers have increased 15 percent statewide, with a huge difference across the state. He remarked that the largest increases were in the urban and rural counties, with the urban areas excluding Cook County and the five collar counties, but including the 30 other urban counties of Illinois. He reported that in the 11-year period, the felony sentences in these urban counties, along with all rural counties, increased 70 percent. He said that the collar counties had a modest increase to 14 percent and Cook County experienced a decrease of four percent.

Regarding the county jail population, Mr. Myrent said the average daily jail population in Illinois increased over the ten-year period from slightly over 17,000 in 1995 to somewhat over 22,000 in fiscal year 2005. He added that in 2005 the average daily population in Illinois was at about 100 percent capacity, which was an aggregation of the different jurisdictions. He said that Cook and the collar counties were generally above capacity over the 11-year period, whereas the others were generally below capacity.

Mr. Myrent went on to discuss further details of the statistics which are available for examination in the publication.

In conclusion, Mr. Myrent said that there would be additional information offered in the new Trends and Issues, which would be available shortly and that thereafter more frequent updates will be issued. Chairman Sorosky thanked Mr. Myrent for a very insightful and excellent presentation and said that he had a question pertaining to the increased violent crime in the rural areas that was cited, inquiring as to the reason.

Chairman Sorosky asked if there were any questions or comments. With no response, he asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn.

{Ms. Mandeltort's motion to adjourn was seconded by Chief Bradford and passed by unanimous voice vote.}



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Ronald Litwin, Acting Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: June 6, 2008
Re: Authority Fiscal Reports

Attached are the FY 2008 fiscal reports covering the period:
July 1, 2007 through April 30, 2008.

Exhibit #1 – Operations

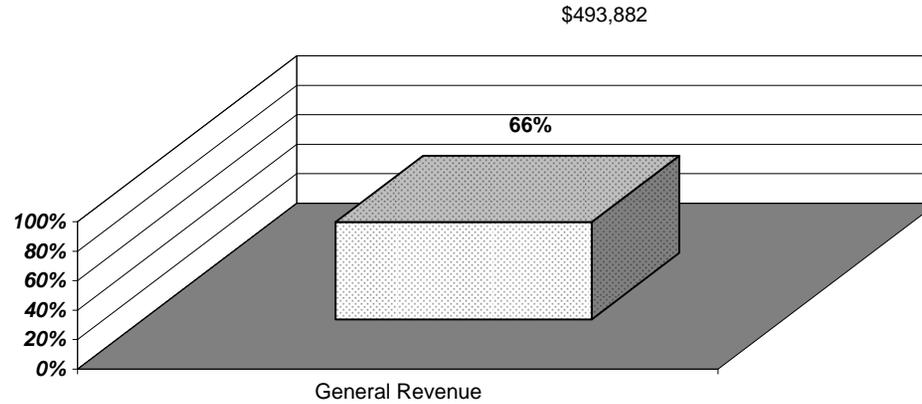
As shown on Exhibit 1, the Authority has expended or obligated 66% of our General Revenue operations.

Exhibit #2 – Awards and Grants

As shown on Exhibit 2, the Authority has expended or obligated 8% of our General Revenue matching funds appropriation and 77% of our total appropriation.

I will be available at the Authority meeting to answer any questions you may have regarding these reports.

Exhibit #1 - Operations
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
FY 2008 Expenditures/Obligations
 July 1, 2007 - April 30, 2008



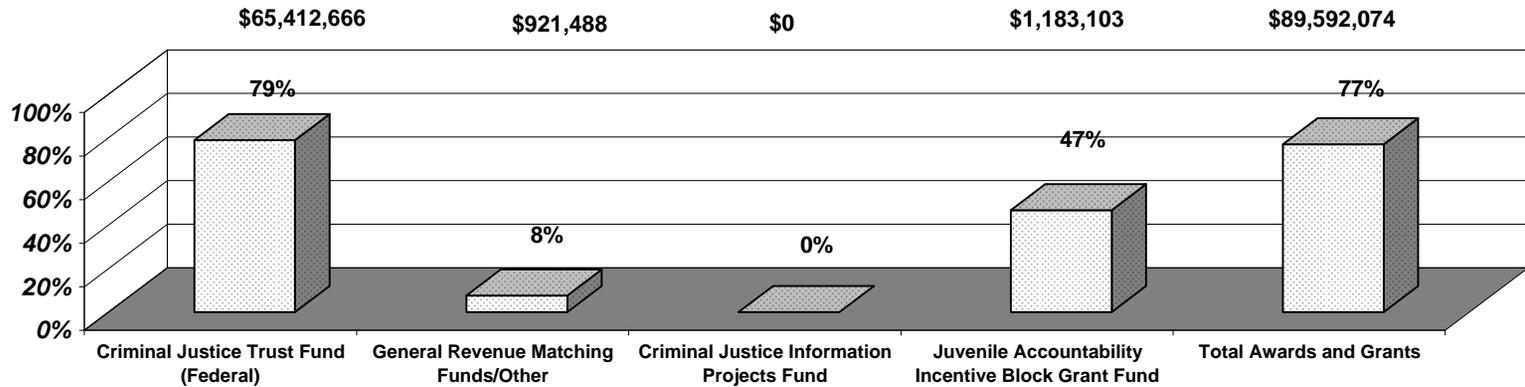
General Revenue

	Budget/ (1)		Expenditures/ Obligations	
	Appropriation	Reserve		Balance (2)
Personal Services	\$1,375,000	\$0	\$1,014,995	\$360,005
Retirement	\$228,250	\$0	\$165,563	\$62,687
FICA	\$95,800	\$0	\$76,226	\$19,574
Contractual	\$331,700	\$0	\$147,433	\$184,267
Travel	\$11,200	\$0	\$6,167	\$5,033
Commodities	\$12,000	\$0	\$5,875	\$6,125
Printing	\$13,500	\$0	\$11,401	\$2,099
Equipment	\$5,500	\$0	\$0	\$5,500
EDP	\$165,000	\$0	\$78,017	\$86,983
Telecommunications	\$44,100	\$0	\$5,201	\$38,899
Operation of Auto	\$13,500	\$0	\$4,325	\$9,175
Total	\$2,295,550	\$0	\$1,515,203	\$780,347
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):			66%	34%

(1) This amount is the total that the Legislature approved and does not equal the total amount spent.

(2) Balance does not equal end of period cash balance. This is the difference between budget and actual expenditures / obligations.

Exhibit #2 - Awards & Grants
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
FY 2008 Expenditures/Obligations
 July 1, 2007 - April 30, 2008



	Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)			General Revenue Matching Funds/Other				Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund		
	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)
Federal Assistance Support	\$5,800,000	\$3,637,790	\$2,162,210	\$13,241	\$0	\$13,241	\$0			
State Agencies	\$12,000,000	\$4,923,242	\$7,076,758							
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.	\$37,000,000	\$31,261,281	\$5,738,719							
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$1,700,000	\$151,857	\$1,548,143	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives	\$40,000,000	\$36,714,292	\$3,285,708							
Shared Services	\$700,000	\$0	\$700,000	\$162,165	\$0	\$0	\$162,165			
Total	\$97,200,000	\$76,688,462	\$20,511,538	\$175,406	\$0	\$13,241	\$162,165	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		79%	21%			8%	92%		0%	100%
	Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund			Total						
	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)			
Federal Assistance Support				\$5,813,241	\$0	\$3,651,031	\$2,162,210			
State Agencies				\$12,000,000	\$0	\$4,923,242	\$7,076,758			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.				\$37,000,000	\$0	\$31,261,281	\$5,738,719			
Misc. Awards/Grants				\$2,100,000	\$0	\$151,857	\$1,948,143			
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives				\$40,000,000	\$0	\$36,714,292	\$3,285,708			
Shared Services	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$962,165	\$0	\$0	\$962,165			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant	\$4,500,000	\$2,150,468	\$2,349,532	\$4,500,000	\$0	\$2,150,468	\$2,349,532			
Total	\$4,600,000	\$2,150,468	\$2,449,532	\$102,375,406	\$0	\$78,852,171	\$23,523,236			
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		47%	53%			77%	23%			

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General Revenue	66%
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Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)	79%
General Revenue Matching Funds/Other	8%
Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund	0%
Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund	47%
Total Awards and Grants	77%



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Authority Members

FROM: John C. Chojnacki, Associate Director, Federal & State Grants Unit

DATE: May 23, 2008

RE: **FFY04 Anti-Drug Abuse Act (ADAA) Plan Adjustment #13**

This memo describes proposed adjustments to the FFY04 Anti-Drug Abuse Act (ADAA) plan, as illustrated in the attached *Attachment A* dated June 6, 2008.

ADAA FFY04 DESIGNATION REDUCTION

Cook County's Community Based Transitional Services for Female Offenders program lapsed a total of \$201,946 at the end of its grant period of performance. This figure is well over 50 percent of the original \$339,456 designation for this program. A combination of an overestimation of the amount of commodities needed for the program and the fact that the program's start was delayed for nearly seven months as a result of Cook County's request-for-proposal process caused the large amount of lapsing funds. While a refund of \$13,990 is currently pending, staff recommends that \$187,956 of the lapsed \$201,946 be reallocated to the law enforcement equipment set-aside as described below.

ADAA FFY04 FUNDING REALLOCATION

Improving Operational Effectiveness – 501(b)(7)(A)

Law Enforcement Equipment – Vehicles and In-Car Video Recording: At the January 3, 2008 Budget Committee meeting, the committee set aside \$55,000 in FFY04 funds to be used to supplement the FFY05 Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) funds previously set aside for an equipment request-for-proposals (RFP) that, at the time, had provided funds to 40 local and county law enforcement agencies throughout Illinois. Equipment eligible for purchase was limited to vehicles and/or in-car video recording devices. A total of

three grants were issued from that \$55,000 FFY04 supplement, as described in the table below:

Entity	FFY04 Amount
Raleigh	\$10,881
Cave-in-Rock	\$19,998
Ullin	\$19,950
Total	\$50,829
Unallocated	\$4,171

Also at the January 3, 2008 Budget Committee meeting, the Budget Committee approved a staff recommendation that any funds that remained unallocated after the supplemental equipment designations were made would be added, along with any other returned FFY04 funds, to the \$154,222 set aside at that meeting for Criminal History Records Improvement (CHRI)-related equipment purchases by units of local government. Since the CHRI equipment set-aside was created in January, \$55,585 in returned funds was added to it, yielding an adjusted total of \$209,807. The Authority has entered into eight agreements, totaling \$167,649, with units of local government in its attempt to expend the funds set aside for CHRI-related equipment. Another agreement in the amount of \$24,583 is pending. At this time, \$192,232 has been allocated, leaving \$17,575 of these funds remains unallocated.

Staff now recommends that the \$17,575 in unallocated CHRI equipment set-aside funds, less or including any differences incurred by the final terms of the pending agreement (said amount would be held in reserve until the agreement is signed), and the \$187,956 recently taken back from Cook County's Community Based Transitional Services for Female Offenders program be added to the \$4,171 that remains available for vehicles and/or in-car video recording equipment, as described above. This would yield a total of \$209,702 available for purchases of vehicles and/or in-car video recording equipment by units of local government. Staff also recommends that any ADA A FFY04 funds returned to the Authority, including the \$13,990 pending refund from Cook County described above, be automatically added to the \$209,702 available for vehicles and video equipment purchases.

The table below summarizes the fund reallocation:

Source	Amount
Unallocated CHRI set-aside	*\$17,575
Cook County's Community Based Transitional Services for Female Offenders program lapsed funds	\$187,956
Unallocated Equipment set-aside	\$4,171
Total	\$209,702

* Subject to change.

Staff requests permission to make these designations and report back to the Budget Committee at a future meeting as to which agencies received funding. Staff believes that this is the most expeditious manner in which to expend remaining and lapsed FFY04 funds. FFY04 funds expire on September 30, 2008.

Staff will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.

**ANTI-DRUG ABUSE
ACT
FFY04 PLAN**

ATTACHMENT A - *Corrected 5/19/08*

**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(2)
Multi-Jurisdictional Task Forces**

Program Title: Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Units	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Units</u>			
Blackhawk Area Task Force	\$130,432		
Blackhawk Area Task Force	\$69,579		
Central IL Enforcement Group	\$224,574		
DuPage County MEG	\$272,986		
East Central IL Task Force	\$197,174		
East Central IL Task Force	\$105,496		
Joliet MANS	\$261,775		
Kankakee MEG	\$214,961		
Kankakee MEG	\$150,730		
Lake County MEG	\$508,404		
Lake County MEG	\$271,209		
Southern IL Drug Task Force	\$377,218		
Southern IL Drug Task Force	\$201,389		
Multi-County MEG	\$133,431		
Multi-County MEG	\$71,179		
North Central Narcotic Task Force	\$250,037		
Quad-Cities MEG	\$59,790		
SLANT Task Force	\$213,299		
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force	\$155,617		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$238,504		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$3,401		
Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Ill.	\$872,174		
Southern Illinois Enforcement Group	\$263,034		
Zone 3 / LaSalle Task Force	\$109,913		
Vermilion County MEG	\$269,155		
West Central IL Task Force	\$247,359		
Zone 6 Task Force	\$119,263		
Zone 3 / LaSalle Task Force (Expansion)	\$51,377		
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force (Expansion) - 15 months	\$95,065		
Program Title: Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Prosecution Program			
<u>Project Title: Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Prosecution Program</u>			
DuPage County State's Attorney's Office	\$293,214		
Kane County State's Attorney's Office	\$269,878		
Lake County State's Attorney's Office	\$384,023		
McHenry County State's Attorney's Office	\$104,242		
McHenry County State's Attorney's Office	\$69,495		
Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor	\$550,582		
Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor	\$292,942		
St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office	\$199,874		
Will County State's Attorney's Office	\$248,435		

	INITIAL	AMENDED	
<u>Project Title: Complex Drug Prosecutions</u>	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$1,437,557		
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$1,024,110		
 <u>Project Title: MEG/TF Enforcement & Prosecution Equipment</u>			
<i>Equipment Set-Aside</i>		<i>\$1</i>	
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force	\$8,690		
Zone 3 / LaSalle Task Force	\$14,925		
Quad-Cities MEG	\$32,539		
Southern IL Drug Task Force	\$20,026		
Central IL Enforcement Group	\$21,234		
Vermilion County MEG	\$19,001		
East Central IL Task Force	\$17,929		
Southern Illinois Enforcement Group	\$19,328		
Lake County MEG	\$25,755		
Kankakee MEG	\$99,956		
DuPage County MEG	\$6,046		
Zone 6 Task Force	\$30,195		
West Central IL Task Force	\$16,893		
Multi-County MEG	\$13,924		
Blackhawk Area Task Force	\$30,000		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$22,500		
SLANT Task Force	\$25,689		
North Central Narcotic Task Force	\$31,381		
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$18,388		
Lake County State's Attorney's Office	\$13,541		
DuPage County State's Attorney's Office	\$15,487		
Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois	\$1,016		

**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(4)
Community Crime Prevention**

Program Title: Community Violence Prevention

<u>Project Title: Crimes Against Seniors</u>	
Illinois State Police	\$102,829

**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(7)(A)
Improving Operational Effectiveness**

Program Title: Specialized Training

<u>Project Title: Judicial Training</u>	
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts	\$40,000
Office of the Attorney General	\$8,738

<u>Project Title: Forensic Unit Training and Equipment</u>	
Harwood Heights (West Suburban Major Violent Crimes Task Force)	\$30,000

<u>Project Title: Law Enforcement Response to Individuals with Disabilities Training</u>	
Office of the Attorney General	\$24,000

Program Title: Risk Assessment

<u>Project Title: Improve Juvenile Risk Assessment</u>	
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts - 15 months	\$137,755

Program Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety</u>			
TBD	\$4,171	\$209,702	\$205,531
Raleigh	\$10,881		
Cave-in-Rock	\$19,998		
Ullin	\$19,950		

**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(8)
Drug and Violent Offender Prosecution**

Program Title: Specialized Prosecution Initiatives

<u>Project Title: DNA Unit</u>			
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$700,000		
<u>Project Title: Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project</u>			
Office of the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor	\$338,786		

**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(10)
Operational Effectiveness of the Courts**

Program Title: Specialized Defense Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Defense Services</u>			
Office of the Macon County Public Defender	\$101,250		
Office of the Will County Public Defender	\$35,250		
Office of the Lake County Public Defender	\$56,140		
<u>Project Title: Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project</u>			
Office of the State Appellate Defender - 24 months	\$435,867		

**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(11)
Correctional Initiatives**

Program Title: Correctional Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Surveillance Systems</u>			
Illinois Department of Corrections	\$219,637		

**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(15)(B)
Information Systems**

Program Title: Information Systems

<u>Project Title: Audit Plan</u>			
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	\$42,253		
<u>Project Title: Gang Information Exchange Database</u>			
Chicago Police Department	\$0		
<u>Project Title: Integrated Justice Initiatives</u>			
TBD	\$0		

Program Title: Criminal History Records Improvement

	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: ISP Mobile Data Computer Systems</u> Illinois State Police	\$249,041		
<u>Project Title: Audit Plan</u> Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	\$225,000		
<u>Project Title: Will County Criminal Justice and Public Safety Technology Project</u> Will County	\$250,000		
<u>Project Title: Equipment Set-Aside</u> TBD	\$209,807	\$192,232	(\$17,575)

**ADAA Purpose 501(b)(16)
Innovative Programs**

Program Title: Gender Responsive Programming

<u>Project Title: Moms and Babies Program</u> Illinois Department of Corrections	\$61,149		
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**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(19)
Evaluation Programs**

Program Title: Evaluation

<u>Project Title: Drug Strategy Impact Evaluation</u> Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	\$1,265,000		
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**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(20)
Alternatives to Detention**

Program Title: Probation Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Juvenile Reporting Centers</u> First Judicial Circuit	\$101,899		
Tazewell County	\$53,901		

<u>Project Title: Innovative Probation Initiatives</u> Will County	\$70,000		
Christian County - 4th Judicial Circuit - 24 months	\$255,071		
Tazewell County - 10th Judicial Circuit	\$99,410		
Lee County	\$50,953		
Kane County	\$23,555		
Ford County	\$46,200		

<u>Project Title: Community-based Transitional Services for Female Offenders</u> Lake County - 21 months	\$22,922		
Cook County Social Services - 24 months	\$339,456	\$151,500	(\$187,956)
Cook County Adult Probation - 24 months	\$410,406		

ADAA PURPOSE UNALLOCATED
Unallocated Funds

Unallocated	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
Undesignated Local CHRI	\$0		
Undesignated State CHRI	\$0		
Undesignated Local	\$0		
Undesignated State	\$0		

ADAA PURPOSE 99
Administration Funds

Administration	
Administration Funds	\$1,222,041
TOTAL	\$18,800,637



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: John Chojnacki, Associate Director, Federal & State Grants Unit

Date: May 23, 2008

Re: Federal and State Grants Unit Report – June 6, 2008 Authority Meeting

The staff assigned to the Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU) performed the following activities during the period of February 1, 2008 to April 30, 2008. During this period, FSGU headcount remained at 17. New hires are pending at this time.

Grant Activities

During the reporting period, FSGU staff monitored 353 grants, representing \$39,180,713 in grant funds. Monitoring included the following:

- Reviewing (759) monthly or quarterly reports: (372) data and (387) fiscal;
- Initiating disbursement of funds requested by grantees;
- Conducting (approximately 46) site visits;
- Processing budget revisions and/or amendments to existing agreements;
- Reviewing requests for proposals (RFPs) drafted by grantees and proposed subcontracts between grantees and other service providers or vendors; and
- Providing technical assistance to grantees (approximately 2,270 times). This included telephonic, e-mail, and on site contacts with grantees that requested assistance regarding issues relating to their grant(s). Staff also received communications from non-grantees regarding types of grants available through the federal government, and/or how to complete forms for federal grants.

During this reporting period, FSGU staff began processing 94 new agreements (grants), representing \$6,329,833 in grant funds. Processing of a new agreement includes:

- Negotiating the program narrative, budget, and budget narrative with the grantee;
- Processing the grant proposal for in-house legal, fiscal, and research and analysis reviews and comments;
- Making necessary changes and forwarding the agreement to the grantee for signature;
- Once returned, processing the agreement through the Office of General Counsel for the executive director's signature, and, when signed, returning a fully executed copy to the grantee as well as other contacts; and
- Initiating an obligation and disbursing any initial funds that are requested.

Administrative Activities

Meetings

During the reporting period, FSGU staff have planned for and/or staffed 4 meetings:

- Two Budget Committee meetings were held; one on March 18, 2008 and one on April 29, 2008.
- One Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition meeting was held on April 28, 2008.
- The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (IMVTPC) conducted a regular council meeting on February 29, 2008 in Chicago.

Meeting preparation often involves coordination with other Authority units such as Research and Analysis and the Office of Administrative Services, and often includes logistics coordination and production, assembly, and mailing of materials.

Other Meetings and Conferences

- April 1, 2, and 3, 2008 staff members met with the St. Clair County Multidisciplinary Team and the McLean County Multidisciplinary Team to discuss their programs and perform site visits. Staff discussed future designations for the MDT programs and cuts to funding.
- Three staff members attended a Bureau of Justice Administration conference in Detroit, Michigan, on April 23 and 24, 2008.

Federal Program Applications

Between February 1 and April 30 of 2008, five applications were submitted to the federal government for awards from the following federal programs:

Program	Date Submitted
Research on Human Trafficking (RHT) FFY08	February 11, 2008
National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) FFY08	February 15, 2008
Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault and Stalking Assistance Program (VAWA Rural) FFY08	February 25, 2008
Juvenile Accountability Block Grants (JABG) FFY08	March 14, 2008
State Justice Statistics Program (SJSP) FFY08	March 26, 2008

Other Activities

- 1) In support of the Authority's Strategic Plan, staff continues to prioritize projects and activities as well as develop strategies to best incorporate the Authority's Action Plan initiatives into unit operations.

- 2) During the reporting period, FSGU continued to operate without a full staff. Executive staff is pursuing the hiring process with expectations of returning the unit to full strength. On an individual basis, staff members have continued to handle increased grant loads, train the new employees, and perform other responsibilities, pending the filling of vacant positions.
- 3) Staff continually updates Attachment A's, fact sheets (program/fund information sheets), funding charts, and other items on the Authority's Internet and Intranet sites.
- 4) Staff is examining ways to improve the public's access via the Internet to information relating to programs that receive funds from the Authority and to information about the individual grantees. This is part of an on-going process aimed at making the Authority's activities more open and transparent to the general public.
- 5) FSGU staff is continuing to work and meet with the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit as well as other state and local agencies, such as the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, jail-based mental health services, community-based transitional services for female offenders, and juvenile reporting centers to advance common goals and projects.
- 6) Staff has been working closely with Fiscal Management staff to close out the following federal awards:
 - A) Anti-Drug Abuse Act (ADAA) FFY 1999, FFY 2002, and FFY 2003.
 - B) Local Law Enforcement Block Grants (LLEBG) FFY 2004.
 - C) National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) FFY 2004.
 - D) National Forensic Science Improvement Act (NFSIA) FFY 2005.
 - E) Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), Central and Northern Districts FFY 2005.
 - F) Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Act (RSAT) FFY 2002.
 - G) Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) FFY 2001, FFY 2002, and Rural FFY04.
 - H) Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) FFY 2004.
 - I) Violent Offender Incarceration / Truth In Sentencing Act FFY 1996.
- 7) Staff continues to be involved in post-Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) Summit activities, including the Illinois BARJ initiative.
- 8) As part of the Authority's on-going efforts to upgrade its information systems, staff has worked with the Information Services Unit and the Research and Analysis Unit to design a preliminary version of the Authority's new E-Grant database system, which is intended to eventually replace the current Grant Management Information System.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Brian Brosnan
Date: May 16, 2008
Re: Summary of Human Resources Activities

The following highlights the work performed by Illinois Criminal Justice Information Human Resources Unit since the last Authority meeting.

Recruitment, Screening and Hiring

Electronic Personnel Action Requests (EPARs) are being processed to fill funded headcount vacancies. All information, with the initiation of the personnel requisition to the final candidate selection, is posted on the system. It allows for highly accurate and efficient hire tracking while eliminating the paper transfer.

The process of filing positions in the Authority has been in process. For a Criminal Justice Specialist I in the Federal & State Grants Unit, there have been six interviews of veterans completed. One candidate has been chosen, and ICJIA is in the process of putting this candidate into the EPAR system and then will be awaiting the approval for hire from the Governors Office.

Over the last quarter, with our new hires and promotions, ICJIA has reached parity in accordance with Department of Human Rights rules and regulations. This is the first time in agency history that this has occurred.

- Ran background and fingerprint checks on all new employees & interns
- Awaiting approval for several ePARS (approval to hire) regarding current vacancies
- Posted employment opportunity notifications via the ICJIA web site, CMS, and various other entities
- Reviewing resumes and starting to plan the schedule for interviews

Employee Benefits

- Provided staff with disability and family leave information. Processed all related medical/administrative paperwork
- Tracked ongoing leaves
- Processed several Deferred Compensation transactions
- Processed and distributed Savings Bonds for employees
- Assisting employees with questions regarding their SERS status and/or reciprocal benefits
- Processing the changes of many employees' benefits and flexible spending accounts during the Benefit Choice Period (May 1-May 31)
- Working with Shared Service to prepare a smooth transition for them to take over our benefits

Salaries & Compensation

- Assisted in continued bi-monthly payroll processing for 60 employees
- Issued time balance reports monthly to payroll and contractual employees
- Continued to check timesheets of federally funded employees for correct time certification reports
- Tracking balances of employees who do not qualify for overtime under FLSA and receive Equivalent Earned Time (EET) as of July 1, 2006.
- Assisted in the payment of temporary assignment pay due to the vacancies
- Continued to disperse Merit Compensation increases starting January 1, 2007
- Transferred payroll/timekeeping to Shared Services effective July 16, 2007
- Assisted Shared Services by giving documentation and communicating changes for ICJIA

Equal Employment Opportunities

- Met and was trained by representative from Dept. of Human Rights
- Submitted the Second Quarterly Report for FY2008
- Submitted yearly EEO report for FY2008 and was approved
- Received complete parity for EEO rules and regulations in Authority history
- Training will be ongoing for Affirmative Action Planning for our agency in order to meet and attain our hiring goals

Staff Development & Training

- Supervisory/Management Staff completing Interview and Selection (RUTAN) Training
- Refresher courses were taken to recertify employees for RUTAN training

- Certified employees in different computer classes
- Enrolled staff in sexual prevention training
- Continued to provide staff with development tools now available in library for use
- Continuing the Ethics training for all employees through use of the internet and paper materials
- Coordinated the completion of Ethics Training for every employee at the agency

Other Miscellaneous Projects

- Working with all unit directors to update organization charts to submit to CMS
- Working with unit directors to identify any classification issues
- Working with CMS classifications to establish and clarify job descriptions
- Working on updating the Authority Handbook
- Processing 3-month, 6-month, and annual evaluations for all staff

Reports

The following reports were prepared and submitted by HR staff:

- Second Quarterly EEO Report for FY2008
- Affirmative Action Plan FY2008
- Illinois State Legislator



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Anthony Jenkins
Date: May 20, 2008
Re: Information Systems Unit Report

Since the last report to Authority members, progress has been made in the following areas of the Information Services Unit (ISU).

The InfoNet System

One hundred and eight domestic violence and sexual assault programs and seventeen child advocacy centers currently access InfoNet from nearly two hundred sites throughout the state. Since the Authority last met, the InfoNet team continued to improve the efficiency and performance of the system for current users. Some specific accomplishments during the past quarter follow.

ICJIA staff continued to provide technical assistance and training to InfoNet users during the quarter. An estimated 250 technical assistance calls were responded to by staff during this period. Additionally, six trainings were conducted for domestic violence and sexual assault centers in Chicago and Springfield. Beginner trainings were held on 3/28/08 and 4/3/08. Advanced trainings were held on 4/22/08 and 4/24/08. Additionally, a new training was implemented this quarter aimed at teaching attendees how to create graphs in Microsoft Excel using their InfoNet data. These trainings showed users how to use InfoNet data to identify emerging trends, potential service gaps, and under or unserved populations; to facilitate program development and evaluation; help maximize resource allocation; and provide programs leverage in advocating for resources and/or improved system response to crime victims. These new trainings were attended by over 40 staff from domestic violence and sexual assault centers, including data specialists, managers, and/or directors.

InfoNet user group meetings (regularly held each 2-4 times each year) serve as a forum for ICJIA to collect feedback regarding InfoNet's utility among users. During these meetings, discussion ensues about what is working well and not working well, decisions are made about how to modify InfoNet to improve system utility, and ICJIA implements these recommendations with technical developers at ICJIA. Thus, InfoNet is continuously being modified to address changing or newly identified user needs. Three user group meetings were also held during the quarter in Bloomington. Meetings were held for the domestic violence center group on 3/20/08 and 5/15/08, and the sexual assault center user group met on 4/23/08.

ICJIA's InfoNet team also responded to several requests for data and technical assistance with interpreting InfoNet data during the quarter. Since the Authority board last convened, staff compiled and provided summary data for the federal Office on Violence Against Women, the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence, the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault, the Chicago Tribune, the Illinois Department of Human Services, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Loyola University Chicago, Turning Point Domestic Violence program in McHenry, Countering Domestic Violence in Bloomington and the Domestic Violence Legal Clinic in Chicago.

During the quarter, InfoNet team staff worked with the ICJIA's Information System Unit staff to identify new hardware needs for InfoNet. The result was a new server plan for SFY09, which will include replacing four InfoNet servers with two quality preowned and two new servers. The servers being replaced will either be phased out if they are no longer usable, used as backup servers, or used for less critical system functions. This hardware assessment resulted in planned improvements for SFY09 that will enhance InfoNet's efficiency, reliability, as well as overall performance.

In December 2007, staff began working on modifications to InfoNet's data infrastructure and interface so that users will be compliant with new federal reporting guidelines. For users to be fully compliant with these requirements by SFY09, some existing fields need modification and other fields must be added to InfoNet. ICJIA staff have been working diligently with the vendor to complete this project. As of this report's writing, the project is progressing well, within budget, and expected to be completed by August 2008, which is two months ahead of schedule. When this project is complete, Illinois will be one of the few states in the nation with a database that can produce reports in 100 percent compliance with these new federal guidelines.

InfoNet development staff continue to maintain and improve the system for users. During the quarter, developers worked to ensure that the more than 100 interface pages within InfoNet were upgraded to the most efficient technologies available. Additionally, in May 2008, ICJIA released a new report for InfoNet users that allows them to extract client-level and summary information reflecting cancellations and no-shows.

Systems Support Quarterly Report

Systems support continues its technical support to the agency internal and external users along with the support of the agency local and wide area networks. Maintaining, upgrading and updating the existing systems remain the top priority. Technical resources are being used to troubleshoot servers, computers and other network peripherals as needed. The agency systems, CLARIS, InfoNet, GMIS, and Web Services are being monitored and backed up. CLARIS reports are being generated on a weekly basis and the results provided to the Claris staff.

We are purchasing a three year lease for 17 HP desk top computers, our goal is to give all full time employees a new computer and to have all staff on the same operating system platform. In order to accomplish this goal the agency has leased an additional seventeen computers, this completes our work station upgrade project.

Information Service Unit is working on updating the Authority's Disaster recovery plan, which includes all of our software and database systems, and identifying all the different type of database systems that each unit has, so I can make sure there being backup and that the source code is in our new Visual Source Safe 2005 application which is a database for developers to keep track and manage changes to their source code.

We are researching the new technology Disk-Based Backup & Recovery system, to replace our Traditional Backup Methodology, due to our data growth, and the time it takes to backup our data, and the obsolete robotics backup system we were using. Disk to tape or D2D "disk-as-disk"—consists of using a disk array as the target of backup software instead of a tape drive or a tape library. Disk-as-disk products are available in several varieties. In general, these products are not integrated with tape drives.

We are also in the process of evaluating Folder Lock 5.8 Encryption Software, it is a fast file-security software that can password-protect, lock, hide, and encrypt any number of files, folders, and documents. The Locked files are undeletable, unrenameable, unmovable, hidden, and inaccessible. We can lock, scramble, or encrypt, the software also protects files in Windows, DOS, and Safe modes and it use 256-bit Blowfish Encryption, which is one of the Strongest Encryption Available.

Have installed and configured Webboard8 software, Webboard8 is an integrated discussion boards, chat and email lists for full featured communities, this message board tool allows valuable ideas and comments to be shared and stored.

Working with acting web master on purchasing Atomic Mail Sender program, which is a flexible newsletter sending program with HTML mass email support and tracking facilities. The program is perfect for sending personalized e-mails in bulk as it allows mail merging. Atomic Mail Sender will enable Sal Perri to produce the ICJIA CJ DISPATCH in a high quality HTML format (currently we send a text version) and produce a IJIS CJ DISPATCH type e-newsletter in a high quality HTML format as well.

We are working on ordering new hardware for the InfoNet system; a standby server for the Web and SQL server, the standby server is a second server that can be brought online if the primary production server fails. The standby server contains a copy of the databases on the primary server. A standby server can also be used when a primary server becomes unavailable due to scheduled maintenance

ICJIA/ISU Relocation:

The relocation from 120 S Riverside Plaza to 300 W Adams was a success, the ISU staff worked throughout the evening to establish network connectivity from JRCT to 300 W Adams, we reestablished our network connections for all systems, assisting all staff in adding printers, and making sure all their data processing needs were met. The following state entities did an excellent job in assisting us with the move: CMS Midrange, LAN Services, CMS Telecom, and ICN.

We are currently working on documenting our new network, this will assist us in faster troubleshooting, reduces the need to research solutions to the same problem each time the problem arises. A visual diagram can help identify potential problem areas in a timelier manner; it will also assist in reducing information loss.

ICJIA/IPSAN Transition:

The physical connection between ICJIA network and IPSAN has been disconnected; the total separation from IPSAN has been completed. This means all Police Departments that were connected to ICJIA have been rerouted or new data circuit that has been installed at IPSAN's location.

Information Service Unit is working with OAS Director on deleting a T1 circuit that was formerly used by IPSAN, we have encountered a problem with deleting this circuit. CMS will not disconnect the circuit because CMS is not the customer of the 56K circuits that are riding on this channelized T-1, they cannot request the circuit to be disconnected (it would be like me calling AT&T & requesting my neighbor's phone be disconnected). Someone within each of the police departments will need to contact AT&T. Until that is resolved, CMS cannot request the channelized T-1 be removed. CMS is working with IPSAN on resolving this problem.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Herbert Johnson
IIJIS Project Manager

Date: May 22, 2008

Re: Illinois Integrated Justice Information System Project Update
February 2008 through May 2008

Since the last report to Authority members, progress has been made in the following areas of the Illinois Integrated Justice Information Systems (IIJIS) Project:

Tactical planning efforts

- The Planning and Policy Committee met April 1, 2008 at the new offices of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority. The full committee and each of its sub-committees provided updates on their specific activities and deliverables for the current year. The full committee met and approved the minor revisions, the IIJIS Vision, Mission, and Value Statements. These will be presented to the full Implementation Board at its next meeting.

During our series of teleconferences which continued on May 14, 2008, the committee discussed and began to develop a draft of a new Strategic Enterprise Document that would be time sensitive and provide a new strategic direction. The issues being addressed include: the collecting and sharing of justice data; privacy protection and allowing appropriate public access while serving justice, public safety and homeland security needs; funding; standard establishment for data sharing and infrastructure development; securing reliable, effective and efficient (IT) infrastructure; and biometric technologies.

IIJIS Annual Report

- The IIJIS Annual Report was submitted to the legislative leadership, the Implementation Board, and the Governors office per the General Assembly Act on April 1, 2008. The report is also available on the IIJIS website

IIJIS Governance

- The Implementation Board met on May 21, 2008 and approved the direction that the Policy and Planning Committee were taking in revising the IIJIS Strategic Plan and the document entitled Strategic Direction for Enterprise Information Sharing. The Implementation Board Chair also named Commander Jonathan



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Lewin of the Chicago Police Department to Chair the Technical Committee. Each of the IIJIS Committees is preparing their deliverables and goals to be in conformance with the state fiscal year.

Privacy Policy Guidance

- *The Privacy Policy Guidance Volume I*, a Privacy Policy guidance for Illinois integrated justice information systems has been approved by the full Implementation Board. Copies have been printed and are being prepared for distribution at the state and national level to key stakeholders. This is one of a kind document that has been recognized by the National Governors Association, and the Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative's Privacy and Information Quality Working Group. Research is continuing on the development of *Privacy Policy Guidance Volume 2*, which addresses the enhanced collection, analysis, and dissemination of police report information.

IIJIS Outreach Committee

- The Outreach Committee met to re-establish its subcommittees and appoint new co-chairs for each sub-committee. The committee also began a review of the Media Strategic and Marketing Plans. The Presentations Subcommittee has begun a review and update of the IIJIS PowerPoint presentation. The Educational Materials Subcommittee has begun a review of the current materials developed for IIJIS and will be updating them accordingly. This subcommittee will be working with the Funding Committee to develop friend-raising to fund-raising strategies.

IIJIS Administration

- The IIJIS Project Manager has participated and will continue to attend the Public Safety Data Committee meetings. The meetings are addressing a study on the usage of IWIN and ALERTS systems, and connectivity configuration.



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To: Authority Members

From: Mark Myrent, Associate Director
Research and Analysis Unit

Date: May 19, 2008

Re: Research and Analysis Unit Report for the June 2008 Authority Meeting

This memorandum highlights some of the work performed by staff of the Research and Analysis Unit since the Authority's last quarterly meeting.

I. CURRENT PROJECTS

A. Program evaluation and research projects

The R&A Unit pursues an aggressive program evaluation and research agenda through an in-house ADAA-funded grant program. Evaluation and research efforts supported, conducted or monitored by R&A staff include:

1. Illinois Going Home Program Evaluation

The University of Chicago has completed an implementation and preliminary impact evaluation of the Illinois Going Home Program. The program is a major offender reentry effort funded through a partnership of contributing federal agencies and in concert with a number of Chicago-area government, community and faith-based organizations. The evaluation report addresses how the program was implemented, how it worked in the field and the effectiveness of the program. The full report is currently available on our website.

2. Reports on the analysis of datasets maintained/available through the Authority

In addition to collaborative research projects using the Chicago Homicide Dataset or the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study, R&A staff has also collaborated with external researchers on projects that focus on the analysis of our in-house data.

This data includes InfoNet, which is a database that maintains information from victim service providers and agencies, and data from the Illinois Crime Victimization Survey and the 2000 Probation Outcome Study.

- *Victim Characteristics and Reporting Violence to the Police* (Illinois Crime Victimization Data) under the direction of Dr. Callie Rennison of the University of Missouri at St. Louis. This project examined how victim characteristics influence the decision to contact the police following violence. The study is based on Illinois 2002 crime victimization survey data. The final report and summary are available on our website.
- *Comparing Risk Factors Associated with Violent and General Recidivism while on Probation and After Discharge – Implications for Risk Management* under the direction of Dr. Loretta Stalans and Dr. Paul Yarnold. This study addressed several issues in the identification of risk factors that contribute to violent and non-violent recidivism after discharge from probation. In addition, the study addressed what types of offenders show evidence of refraining from new crimes for a longer-term period after they have successful treatment completion. The study tested whether family only and generalized aggressors have unique risk factors associated with recidivism. The final version of the report is expected in June.

3. Safe Havens Domestic Violence Program evaluation project

Staff has evaluated the Chicago Safe Havens demonstration site, a project funded under the Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Grant Program. The Safe Havens Program was established by the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 to provide an opportunity for communities to support supervised visitation and safe exchange of children, by and between parents, in situations involving domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault, or stalking. The purpose of the supervised visitation program is to enable custodial parents to comply with court ordered visitation, without having to fear that they or their children will be re-victimized. Staff identified the following priority areas of the evaluation: interviews with visitation center directors and staff (to determine changes in practice in policy and roles as collaborators), the issue of case termination (to determine why cases come to a close and what can be done in cases where visits should continue, but do not), observation forms used by staff at visitation centers during visits and other data collected in client files (Data from these forms, together with data collected through the interviews helped determine how accurately these forms reflect what happens during visits. Other client information found in their files helped identify who is referred to visitation services from court, how rule violations are handled, and in terms of termination, whether or not clients fail to show up for services, if they terminate visits due to court order, etc.). Also included in the final report are findings from an evaluation completed on a judicial training for judges in the Cook County Family Court division that focused on domestic violence in relation to custody and visitation rights. Staff distributed a pre-survey, a survey at the training itself, and a post-survey to determine whether or not the training had an affect on judges' beliefs or actions in the courtroom. The final draft of the report is in the process of being reviewed, and publication is expected this spring.

4. Evaluation of IDOC's Sheridan Correctional Center Therapeutic Community Program

Research & Analysis staff is continuing to support the operation of the Sheridan Correctional Center through a process and impact evaluation. Sheridan is currently the largest correctional facility in the country that is entirely committed to substance abuse treatment. The prison,

designed as a therapeutic community for substance abuse users, reopened at the beginning of 2004 and had an additional methamphetamine treatment unit built on in FY08. Drug offenders released from IDOC have relatively high recidivism rates if they are released without any form of treatment in prison or in their communities upon release. The Sheridan treatment plan is designed to treat offenders while incarcerated and while they are released to their communities under supervision to reduce recidivism rates across Illinois.

The evaluation of Sheridan is a collaborative effort between the Authority, Loyola University, and the Illinois Department of Corrections. The evaluation uses a combination of quantitative and qualitative data to gauge the process and impact of operations at Sheridan and the aftercare component required for inmates under mandatory supervised release. Authority staff contributed to analyses of program completion and recidivism of Sheridan participants compared to a matched sample of inmates released from other prisons in Illinois, including the compiling and organization of criminal history and arrest data on subjects in the research.

The final report detailing the progress and outcomes of the program from inception through 2007 is under review by Authority staff. Two Program Evaluation Summaries have been completed on Sheridan indicating benefits from reduced recidivism and increased employment for participants. The Authority assisted the evaluation team in updating recidivism figures on a continuous basis. A comprehensive program evaluation report and a third program evaluation summary was received in February and is under review. Additional publications intended for scholarly journals were also produced. These reports address the long-term impact of the program and the characteristics of participants that influence success in the program. The report and summary will undergo final revisions this spring and be available on our website this summer.

5. Lake County Transitional Services for Female Offenders (PTSD)

Loyola University, under the direction of Dr. Loretta Stalans, was awarded a grant to evaluate the Lake County probation program that provides specialized services to women probationers who exhibit post-traumatic stress disorder. The report outlines the development and adjustments that were made to the program to better accommodate and serve the female probationers' needs in an effort to prevent recidivism and improve their lives. The final report is available on our website and a summary is forthcoming.

A one-year follow-up study to further assess the impact of the program began in January 2008. This follow-up study will address whether the program reduced recidivism, and assisted the women in obtaining employment, housing, food and childcare. Now in progress, the study is also focusing on the third service provider that the program enlisted.

6. Cook County Social Services, Transitional Services for Female Offenders

Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, under the direction of Dr. Gaylene Armstrong, was awarded a grant to evaluate the Cook County Social Service Department program that provides specialized services to women probationers that are convicted of DUI. The final report has been

received and is available on the website. A program evaluation summary was also posted on our website and outlines the development of the program and characteristics of program participants.

7. Investigator Initiated Research

Projects funded under an Investigator-initiated RFP address research in our priority areas of interest. The following two proposals were selected for funding in late 2006:

- *Corrections to Community: The collective reentry experience of juvenile offenders.* This study, under the direction of the University of Chicago, examined a number of factors that play into the reentry experience of juveniles released from Illinois correctional facilities between 1996 and 2002. The final report was received and was posted on our website in March 2008.
- *Analysis of Domestic Violence Service Data.* Under the direction of Loyola University, this study examines InfoNet service data to describe victim service use patterns over time and describe the characteristics of victims and their service needs. The report was received and is available on our website. In addition to the full analysis report, an appendix and full executive summary are also available on our website.

An additional Investigator-initiated RFP was issued in July 2006 and we received a number of well-qualified proposals. Reviewers elected to fund the following projects in early 2007:

- *Assessing the Risk of Sexual and Violent Recidivism and Identifying Differences in Risk Factor.* This study is under the direction of Loyola University and will seek to inform the criminal justice system's probation and parole officers, treatment professionals, and judges as to the accuracy of assessment tools for predicting the risk of sexual or violent reoffending. Comparisons between offenders from the prison system and those on probation will be conducted. The project will conclude in July 2008.
- *A Study of Co-occurring Conditions and Treatment Coordination of Jail Detainees.* Conducted by the University of Illinois at Chicago, this study will select and interview 300 adult male and 150 adult female detainees in the psychiatric residential treatment units at the Cook County Department of Corrections jail facility. The project will seek to better understand the needs of this high-risk and resource-intensive population and provide a basis for developing better coordinated systems of care within the jail, community and transition to prison for those sentenced detainees. The final report will be submitted for review in early summer.

An additional Investigator-initiated RFP was issued in June 2007, and four new projects were selected for funding in October 2007:

- *Critical Incident Preparedness and Response on Campus* – Conducted by

Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, this study will examine the current state of critical incident preparedness, planning and response activities on a census of Illinois colleges and university campuses and a sample of campuses nationwide. This study will also look at reported campus crime rates from the Cleary Act. The proposed research will be valuable for state and national policymakers and the findings will provide information on current practices as they relate to campus security and how they differ from a national perspective. A report is due in October 2008.

- *Analysis of Shelter Utilization by Victims of Domestic Violence* – Conducted by Loyola University School of Social Work, Loyola researchers in collaboration with the City of Chicago Mayor’s Office will conduct a study of the dynamics of shelter utilization and how it relates to the process of, and readiness for, change among women who are victims of domestic violence. The project will aim to better identify the housing and service needs and utilization patterns, as well as the outcomes of women who are in the domestic violence shelter system in Chicago. The project will also identify stages in the help seeking process, including the characteristics of readiness for change that lead women to shelter and/or to end the abusive situation. A report is due in November 2008.
- *Methamphetamine and Violence* – Conducted by Illinois State University, this study will conduct in-depth interviews with 30 methamphetamine users from downstate Illinois to determine the extent to which methamphetamine and violence are associated, and to better understand the nature of that association. The research will provide a clearer picture of the epidemiology of methamphetamine and related violence in Illinois across communities of varying size and rural characteristics. The findings will inform law enforcement and social service providers regarding factors associated with an increased likelihood of violence by those who use and manufacture the drug. A report will be available in October 2008.
- *The Impact of Illinois’ Truth-in-Sentencing Legislation* – Conducted by Loyola University Department of Criminal Justice, this project will examine the impact that Illinois’ Truth-in-Sentencing (TIS) legislation has had on sentences imposed, projected lengths of time served in prison, and inmate behavior. The findings will allow policy makers to more accurately assess the impact the law has had on sentencing practices and on how inmates have adjusted to their incarceration. It will also inform practitioners of the implications of TIS on issues related to inmate reentry and the aging of the prison population, given the potential increased length of stay and release from prison at older ages of those sentenced under the law. A report will be available in October 2008.

8. Jail Data Link

In May 2007, evaluators at the University of Illinois – Springfield began an evaluation of the Jail Data Link project. Implemented in three sites in Illinois, the Jail Data Link project identifies jail detainees who are recipients of Department of Human Services mental health

services and links them up with continued services and treatment while they are incarcerated in the jail. This identification and continuation of treatment assists jails in the care of inmates who are in need of mental health services and / or medication. The final report is due in January 2009.

9. Trends and Issues 2008

Trends and Issues 2008 is a report about crime and justice in Illinois. This report is an update to previous *Trends and Issues* and is the sixth such publication. It describes the organization and operation of the state's justice system, tracks statewide and regional trends in crime and the processing of offenders, and presents important criminal and justice issues that have emerged this decade. The report derived data from numerous criminal justice sources. Data is presented in several ways in the document through data summaries and descriptions, data tables and trend graphs, and state maps. The graphs depict state data trends over 10 years from 1995 to 2005.

There are five sections: law enforcement, courts, corrections, victims, and juvenile justice. In addition, each section highlights special issues of significance facing the criminal justice system today, including identity theft, gangs, DNA, specialized courts, substance abuse treatment in prison, human trafficking, and juvenile justice reform initiatives. The report provides valuable crime and justice information to inform the general public, criminal justice professionals, and policy makers.

A final draft of the report was presented at the March 2008 Authority meeting. The report is now available on the Authority's website.

10. Trends and Issues Updates

As referenced in the last section, *Trends and Issues* is a report about crime and justice in Illinois, which describes the organization and operation of the state's justice system, tracks statewide and regional trends in crime and the processing of offenders, and presents important criminal and justice issues that have emerged this decade. Data is presented in several ways in the document through data summaries and descriptions, data tables and trend graphs, and state maps. The graphs depict state data trends over 10 years from 1995 to 2005.

As follow-up to that report, four *Trends and Issues Updates* are being written to highlight specific topics that were introduced in the main document. Specific topics includes: Results of the Law Enforcement Needs Assessment Survey, Offenses Against School Personnel, System-Wide Trends in Drug Crime, and System-Wide Trends in Violent Crime. These shorter research bulletins will be published in late Spring 2008.

B. Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Audit

The unit's Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Audit Center is an ADAA-funded in-house effort to continuously examine the accuracy, completeness and timeliness of the criminal history record information reported to the state repository maintained by the Illinois State Police, and to recommend strategies for improvement.

The 2008 CHRI Audit methodology development is currently underway. Due to staffing constraints, this will consist of smaller-scale examinations of State Police CHRI data that do not require collecting corroborating data from local agency contributors. For example, one project will involve assessing the quality of juvenile arrest data with respect to county-level reporting trends, using data downloads from the CHRI AdHoc connection as the audit source.

CHRI Ad Hoc Data Connection Partnership. The Authority has entered into a data sharing partnership with the Illinois State police, whereby CHRI data is made available to us via a permanent on-line connection. All data entered on state "rap sheets", as housed on the State Police Computerized Criminal History system, are accessible to staff in electronic format. These data provide a unique resource for answering information requests from legislators, the media, and other interested parties, in-house research projects and studies being conducted by others around the country. A CHRI Ad Hoc Data Archive of all criminal history records from 1990-2006 has been created in formats that can be readily shared with researchers. This Archive currently holds close to a million records for each year of data.

The CHRI Ad Hoc data partnership with the State Police has progressed to the point where the Authority is now considered the sole source for electronic CHRI data for research purposes. (The State Police still generate paper versions for a fee.) Outside researchers can enter into a User Agreement to gain access to CHRI data which is distributed through the Authority. The process incorporates verification of bona fide research and appropriate protection of confidential data. The unified user agreement facilitates accountability for the research use of criminal history data records.

During the last quarter, three user agreements were initiated with researchers from University of Illinois at Springfield, and Loyola University. In addition, completed agreements were executed with researchers from University of Chicago. Several others are pending approval. Since the inception of the CHRI Ad Hoc Connection Partnership, a total of twenty-seven outside research projects have received CHRI data from the Authority.

Staff is also working with several university-based researchers to develop appropriate methodologies for their research using CHRI Ad Hoc data, and is reviewing drafts of completed research projects for appropriate interpretation of the CHRI data used.

C. Chicago Homicide Dataset Update Project

The Chicago Homicide Dataset has been collected and maintained for many years in close cooperation with the Crime Analysis Unit, Detective Division, of the Chicago Police Department. The CHD is a comprehensive database containing information on every homicide that occurred in Chicago

between 1965 and 2000. The updated dataset is currently being archived with the Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) at University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, to allow wider access to the data for research.

During this quarter, discussions were initiated with Chicago Police Department's Research and Development Division to resume the process of obtaining homicide records for the years since 2000.

Staff continues to collaborate with selected researchers on projects involving use of the Chicago Homicide Dataset. Using the newly-updated CHD data from 1965 to 2000, staff will present at the Homicide Research Working Group in June, and the American Society of Criminology in November. Both presentations will deal with "connected" homicides, such as serial murders and retribution murders. In addition, staff have been asked to present the keynote address at the International Conference on Homicide, sponsored by the Australian Institute of Criminology, which will be held in December.

D. Chicago Women's Health Risk Study

The Chicago Women's Health Risk Project is a continuing collaboration of medical, public health, and criminal justice agencies, and domestic violence experts to identify factors that indicate a significant danger of life-threatening injury or death in situations of intimate partner violence. Collaborating agencies include the Chicago Department of Public Health, Erie Family Health Center, Cook County Hospital, Chicago Mayor's Office on Domestic Violence, Cook County Medical Examiner's Office, Chicago Police Department and the Authority

The goal of the CWHRS project is now to "get the word out" about important and potentially life-saving results, to the public and to practitioners and legislators who can use those results to help save lives. The CWHRS Forum, housed on the Authority's web site, currently has 90 members, most of them practitioners or researchers in the field, plus welcomes visits from people seeking information. A number of reports, journal articles and other publications have been developed from the research, most of them collaborations. Staff is frequently solicited for presentations and briefings on the research and project tools, and data continue to be requested for use by other researchers.

During the last quarter, staff have been asked to present the keynote address at a conference for professionals and practitioners, co-sponsored by John Jay College of Criminal Justice and the largest provider of DV support in New York City, on femicide and the role that CJ and other agencies play in prevention.

The following articles using CWHRS data have been recently published:

- An article using CWHRS data, "Non-fatal strangulation is an important risk factor for homicide of women," was published in the Journal of Emergency Medicine.
- Davies, Kim, Carolyn R. Block & Jacquelyn C. Campbell (2007). Seeking help from the police: Battered women's decisions and experiences. *A Critical Journal of Crime, Law and Society* 20 (1, Winter, 2007).

- The article, “Intimate partner violence and miscarriage: Examination of the role of physical and psychological abuse and PTSD,” was published in the Journal of Interpersonal Violence.
- Block, C. R. and DeKeseredy, W. (2007). Forced sex and leaving intimate relationships: Results of the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study. *Women's Health and Urban Life*, 6 (1, May): 6-23.

E. CLARIS Web-based Application for methamphetamine lab reporting

The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) has asked each state to identify a single agency to be responsible for collecting monthly information regarding meth lab seizure incidents. The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority has been identified as the agency to collect this information. CLARIS is the web interface and database that was developed by staff to allow Illinois law enforcement agency personnel to enter meth lab seizure data, access these data, and extract these data from customized queries. It is currently operational and successfully collecting data from ISP's Meth Response Teams (MRT), Metropolitan Enforcement Groups (MEGs) and Drug Taskforces, for a total of twenty-three agencies.

F. Externally-funded research and evaluation projects

R&A staff has been successful in the pursuit of external discretionary grants to support research and evaluation efforts. Several current projects are or were supported by such grants:

1. Juvenile justice system and risk factor data: 2005 Annual Report

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, R&A staff is completing work on the 2005 Annual Report, which is a compilation of county-level juvenile justice system and risk factor data. Like the previous reports, this version also summarizes recent trends in these data over time and discusses emerging juvenile justice system issues in Illinois, including Balanced and Restorative Justice, the Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, Disproportionate Minority Contact, and Redeploy Illinois. A final draft of the comprehensive report, which contains over 200 pages of juvenile justice information, is under final review and will be available on the Authority website in late June.

2. Juvenile justice system and risk factor data: 2006 Annual Report

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, work is also underway on the 2006 Annual Report, a compilation of county-level juvenile justice system and risk factor data. Like the 2005 report, this version also summarizes recent trends in these data over time and discusses emerging juvenile justice system issues in Illinois, including Balanced and Restorative Justice, the Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, Disproportionate Minority Contact, and Redeploy Illinois. A final draft of the comprehensive report, which contains over 200 pages of juvenile justice information, is under final review and will be available on the Authority website in late Fall 2008.

3. Mental health screening and assessment practices in the Illinois juvenile justice system

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, R&A staff is currently working on a survey of the mental health screening and assessment practices in the Illinois juvenile justice system. The goal of the project is to determine what screening and assessment tools are being used by whom, and at what point in the system. These data will be gathered through a survey of all juvenile detention centers, juvenile probation and court service offices, juvenile correctional facilities, and the Juvenile Officers Association. This research will prove useful to juvenile justice practitioners, community-based mental health providers, and researchers who want to explore further the issue of screening and assessment in Illinois. In addition, it will guide them in the selection of the most current and appropriate tools for their facilities. Furthermore, the results of the study will inform future research in the area of mental health and juvenile justice. The development of the survey instrument is being finalized and will be submitted to IRB for expedited review in late June 2008.

4. Evaluation of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts Evidence-Based Practices

In March of 2005, ICJIA research staff entered into a three-year cooperative agreement with the National Institute of Corrections (NIC) in the amount of \$194,232 to evaluate Illinois' Evidenced-Based Practices (EBP) Initiative. This project will assist local probation departments participating in the EBP Initiative by providing them with data and analysis that gauges performance before and during the implementation of evidence-based practices, and will establish a process and protocol for ongoing assessment of probation performance through an effective state and local partnership. The first wave of data collection has been completed in all six participating counties: Lake, DuPage, Adams, Cook, Sangamon and the 2nd Judicial Circuit. The second wave of data collection has been completed in the 2nd Judicial Circuit, Lake, and Adams counties. Data collection is complete in Sangamon county and the third wave of data collection has begun in the 2nd Judicial Circuit, Lake and Adams counties. Partnership agreements have been executed for Sangamon, Cook, DuPage and the 2nd Judicial Circuit. A six-month no-cost extension has been obtained from NIC to complete data collection and analysis.

5. Assessment of prior victimization and access to services among adult female inmates in the Illinois Department of Corrections

This project is designed as an assessment of the prevalence of prior victimization, primarily domestic violence and sexual assault/abuse, among adult female inmates within the Illinois Department of Corrections. In the first phase, Staff examined existing data collected during the Reception and Classification (R&C) process at the Dwight Correctional Center. A summary was drafted on research of prior domestic violence, child abuse, and sexual assault victimizations of female inmates, as well as their need for services. The information derived from prison intake assessments includes almost 4,000 female admissions from 2004. The summary warrants more in-depth research to learn further about the extent and nature of victimization and treatment episodes of female inmates.

Phase two of the research study will collect information on the extent and nature of victimization and treatment episodes of female prison inmates in Illinois. The research involves detailed face-to-face interviews with current female prisoners. The questions will explore prior help seeking strategies, substance use, and physical and sexual abuse during the course of the person's life history. The data will provide information to criminal justice and social service agencies, funding entities, policy makers, and the general public. The research will be able to offer treatment recommendations to IDOC to further help women in corrections.

The research goals are to:

- Learn the extent and nature of victimization of incarcerated women.
- Increase general knowledge of the female inmate population in Illinois.
- Address data limitations, program needs, and offer recommendations.
- Help current and future female population with treatment needs and issues.
- Aid victimized women and girls prior to corrections to try to reduce female inmate population.

Staff will interview 200 women located in three IDOC institutions—Dwight, Decatur, and Lincoln. Staff will obtain a random sample of female inmates (stratified by the facility). We will pay a \$20 stipend to respondents. Each interview will last approximately 60-90 minutes. A psychologist will be made available to participants if necessary. As encouraged by the advisory committee a, two interviewers, who are ex-offenders, will be identified by IDOC and paid as contractual employees through the Authority. We plan to have a three-day training for all interviewers. We will obtain participants' criminal histories and examine their prison case files after they agree to participation in the interview. We have created a data collection form.

Staff met with IDOC staff at Dwight Correctional Center on January 18, 2008 to discuss phase two of the research plan. IDOC staff were supportive of further research of their female inmates on victimization issues. Staff toured Dwight and observed their reception and classification process on January 30, 2008. A video conference call to further explore the research plan and logistical issues on February 6, 2008. Staff traveled to Dwight in March and continue to collaborate with IDOC on the project. A draft of the interview packet was sent to the advisory group for the project on April 11, 2008. The Institutional Review Board will meet to review the project on May 22, 2008.

6. Domestic Sex Trafficking of Chicago Women and Girls

The DePaul College of Law Schiller Du Canto & Fleck Law Center collaborated with Authority to conduct data entry and analysis for a research project on sex trafficking. Ms. Jody Raphael, Senior Research Fellow, received a grant from the Chicago Foundation on Women for this research. The project administered questionnaires to 100 girls and women currently in the sex trade industry (ages 13-25) to gain information about local trafficking, how the industry works, and how to better reach these particular victims. Data is being collected and entered, and will be analyzed in early 2008. The Authority co-authored the final report which was released at an event at DePaul Law School on May 7, 2008. The final report has been posted on the IJICA Website.

II. ONGOING ACTIVITIES

A. Briefings/Presentations

Since the last Authority update for the March 2008 meeting, R&A staff made presentations at, and/or attended the following professional meetings:

- The Research Director participated in a teleconference meeting of the Justice Research and Statistics Association (JRSA) Training, Technical Assistance, and Technology Committee on February 21.
- On February 20-21, 2008, staff attended interview and selection training in Springfield.
- Staff met with other state agency representatives on February 26 to discuss the Safety Net Works initiative and evaluation. An implementation evaluation overview, a guide for the collection of program documentation, and reporting form for program implementation processes were developed and discussed.
- Staff attended the Safety Net Works Orientation for program sites on March 6 in Chicago, and will provide an overview of the evaluation plan.
- Staff attended the Children's Mental Health Partnership Assembly in Springfield on March 4.
- Staff met with representatives of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts and Loyola University on March 4 to discuss the development of an analytical template for use by probation departments in analyzing case-level data in conjunction with the Evidenced-Based Practices (EBP) project.
- Staff attended the National Conference on Juvenile Justice on March 9-11 in St. Louis and presented a report on Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children.
- Staff met with the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault data subcommittee on March 18.
- R&A staff met with staff from the Authority's Grants Unit on March 12 & 13 to review protocols for submitting grant proposals to federal agencies.
- Dr. Block was asked to be the keynote speaker at a Femicide Conference to be held at John Jay University in NYC in early November 2008.
- Staff presented on the topic of BARJ and peer juries at Chicago Bar Association, Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee Luncheon on March 28.
- Staff participated in the Women, Girls & Trauma training on April 9.

- Staff participated in the Gendered Justice: Restoring the Health of Court Involved Girls training on April 10.
- Staff met with staff at Dwight on April 10 for the Female Inmate Victimization research study.
- On April 11, 2008, staff attended a task force meeting of PROMISE, Partnership to Rescue Our Minors from Sexual Exploitation, in Chicago.
- Staff participated in a local partners group meeting for Safe Havens on April 3.
- Staff met with the Illinois State Police on April 1 to discuss data availability.
- The Research Director and Executive Director met with Chicago Alderman Bob Fioretti on April 3 to discuss strategies for combating gun violence.
- Staff coordinated a meeting of the Safety Net Works Evaluation Committee during on April 15.
- Staff submitted and had accepted the following paper, “Circumstances of Connected Homicides: An Analysis of the Chicago Homicide Data Set, 1965 to 2000” for a session entitled The Scope of Homicide Studies for the 2008 American Society of Criminology Meeting.
- Staff attended an “Abuse Later in Life” Workgroup meeting on April 8.
- Staff attended the Juvenile Detention and Alternatives Initiative partnership meeting in Springfield on April 10.
- Staff attended the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission meeting on April 11 to provide an update on the annual risk factor report and mental health screening project.
- Staff attended a Human Rights of Children symposium at Loyola University on April 17 and 18.
- The research director attended a symposium on the new Illinois criminal code at John Marshall Law School on April 18.
- Staff attended Loyola University’s Human Rights of Children Symposium on April 17 and 18.
- Dr. Becky Block was invited to be a plenary speaker at the Australian Institute of Criminology International Conference on Homicide in December.

- Staff attended a juvenile justice/mental health initiative meeting on February 25 and April 21 at the Voices for Illinois Children offices
- Staff met with Jody Rafael of DePaul University on April 16 to regarding a collaborative report on Human Trafficking.
- Staff attended a Chicago Public Schools Peer Jury Advisory Board meeting on April 28.
- Staff met with Chicago Police Department Research and Development Division officials on April 22 to discuss data availability and access.
- Staff met with Chapin Hall (University of Chicago) on May 1 to discuss their juvenile justice database and potential for data sharing of community-level data.
- Staff participated in a teleconference meeting on May 1 to plan training for Safety Net Works sites on completing program implementation forms.
- Staff attended the *Sex Trafficking of Chicago Women and Girls* report release event at DePaul School of Law on May 7.
- On May 14, staff attended a meeting of the Illinois Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency at the State of Illinois Building.
- On May 5, staff presented on “Risk Factors for Death in Intimate Partner Violence” to advanced students and staff of Simon Fraser University, British Columbia, Canada.
- Staff participated in the Safety Net Works State Agency Resource Fair in Chicago on May 14. This includes an exhibit table to inform site managers of available services from ICJIA and participation on a panel discussion of the justice perspective on youth violence.
- The research director participated in a justice panel for the Safety Net Works Resource Fair on May 14 in Chicago.
- Staff met with Safety Net Works staff on May 8 to prepare for the May 15 training regarding reporting requirements for SNW sites.
- Staff provided training to Safety Net Works site managers on May 15 regarding reporting requirements in conjunction with the program evaluation.

B. Criminal Justice Information Clearinghouse

The Authority serves as a statewide clearinghouse for statistics and other information about crime and the criminal justice system. The Clearinghouse Center within R&A maintains and regularly updates many county-level datasets related to crime and the criminal justice system, as well as social risk factor data. These datasets are used for in-house research projects and publications, such as

Trends and Issues and *County Profiles of the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems*. The Clearinghouse is also responsible for answering requests for criminal justice data and information, as well as maintaining the publications on the Authority's website: www.icjia.il.state.us.

Information requests

Many requests continue to come from governmental agencies (34 percent) and private agencies (23 percent). Other requests came from private citizens, researchers, students, news media representatives, legislators, and prison inmates. Twenty-three percent of the requests originate in the Chicago metropolitan area. Thirty percent originate in other parts of the state. All other requests for information were received from outside Illinois, outside the United States, and unknown areas. R&A distributed over 5,353 Authority publications during the third quarter of SFY 08 (January – March 2008), not including those downloaded from our Website (230,650) [TABLE 1]. Due to our recent move and limited amount of space available in our current location, the amount of publications mailed out will be drastically reduced. The volume of web users has continued to remain at high levels. For the third quarter of SFY 08, there were 3,219,947 “hits” on our website and more than 97,771 visitors (users that remained on the site for a period of time.) There were 230,650 downloads of information or publications for the third quarter of SFY 08 [TABLE 2]. The website continues to be a valuable resource for our constituents. Appendix A lists the publications that have been recently posted on the website since the last Authority Board meetings.

Acquiring/updating/documenting dataset holdings

During the last quarter, staff developed a hierarchy of criminal justice and social risk factor datasets: 39 **core data sets** most recently used in the *Trends and Issues 2008* report and the *Juvenile Justice System and Risk factor Data: 2004 Annual Report*; 5 **newly identified** datasets, including campus crime, elder abuse data, community-level police data, drug treatment data, and drug lab seizure data; and **potentially useful** datasets to be investigated further, such as DEA drug enforcement data for Illinois. Staff is painstakingly checking the quality and documenting data issues on the core datasets, and establishing contacts for the new data sources, including the Illinois Department on Aging, the Division of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (DASA), and the Chicago Police Department.

Extensive work is first being conducted to inventory and update existing datasets maintained by the R&A Unit. Although the majority of those datasets are received from other state agencies and other governmental entities that serve as primary caretakers for the information, staff are assessing data quality through manual scanning, and by running automated diagnostics that identify unusual patterns over time that may indicate data error. Data quality concerns will be communicated to those source agencies, and we will offer to work collaboratively with them to resolve problems. Documentation of unresolved data usage concerns and cautions will be available to Website users as part of the overall documentation adjoining the data.

C. FSGU Support Efforts

Upon request, R&A staff review and comment on proposed program narratives submitted by potential grantees to FSGU. The focus of R&A comments are in the areas of proposed objectives,

goals, and performance measures. FSGU staff also request R&A assistance in the development of data reports for proposed programs. R&A staff continued to work with FSGU staff responsible for the VAWA and JAIBG funds to develop data reports for grantees that include the federally mandated performance measures. This effort will allow federal agencies to improve their reporting of the performance of these grant programs at the state and federal level. R&A staff has also assumed responsibility for the computerization of some program performance data not only for VAWA and JAIBG, but also ADAA/JAG, VOCA, MVTPC funds. Upon FSGU request, staff produce program status reports and/or profiles assessing performance for each of these funding areas over a given period of time.

The research director is working with staff to refine protocols for this R&A partnership with FSGU. Staff also revised VOCA grant materials and data reports to clarify definitions and streamline grantees' reporting processes.

D. Technical Assistance

- Staff provided training to Safety Net Works site managers on April 24 regarding the evaluation methodology, reporting requirements and reporting forms.
- During the last quarter, staff provided technical assistance to the CLARIS system in reconciling data elements with the national EPIC system, in order for CLARIS reports to be successfully submitted to the national database.
- During the week of May 5th, staff conducted a training on risk factors for death in intimate partner violence, for police officers in departments in British Columbia, Canada.
- Staff is providing technical assistance to the Illinois Center for Violence Prevention in regards to definitions and data availability regarding crimes against the elderly (also known as victimization later in life).
- Staff is providing technical assistance regarding juvenile justice data collection and analysis issues for Illinois Pathways to Change, the DMC data workgroup, and the Redeploy planning grants project.
- Staff provided technical assistance to the IIJIS project regarding a survey of criminal justice technology.

E. Deaths in Custody Reporting

The Deaths in Custody Reporting Act (DICRA) (P.L. 106-297, effective Oct. 13, 2000) requires states to compile and report quarterly to the U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) the number of deaths, and the circumstances surrounding the deaths, of people in local jails, state prisons, juvenile correctional facilities, and law enforcement custody. Until recently, the information requested by BJS was limited to deaths in local jails, state prisons, and state juvenile facilities. Collection of DICRA

information has been expanded to include deaths that occur while a person is in police custody or in the process of arrest. Information on deaths that occur while a person is in police custody will supplement the annual data on prison inmate deaths that BJS already receives from the Illinois Department of Corrections as part of the National Prisoners Statistics Program and the National Corrections Reporting Program. R&A staff began in July 2004 collecting specific information requested by BJS for all deaths in Illinois that occur while the person is in police custody or in the process of arrest by local, county, and state law enforcement agencies regardless of cause of death. For reporting purposes, the data include the following:

- o Deaths occurring when an individual is in the physical custody, or under the physical restraint, of law enforcement officers, even if the person was not formally under arrest.
- o Deaths that occur by natural causes, while in the physical custody, or under the physical restraint, of law enforcement officers, even if the person was not formally under arrest.
- o Those killed by any use of force by law enforcement officers prior to booking
- o People who died at a crime/arrest scene or medical facility prior to booking.
- o Deaths occurring in transit to or from law enforcement facilities.
- o Deaths of those confined in lockups or booking centers (facilities from which arrestees are usually transferred within 72 hours and not held beyond arraignment).

Summary data on death in law enforcement custody for the year of 2005 was submitted to BJS in July 2007. BJS utilized the data to produce a three-year (2003-2005) study of arrest fatalities in the United States. The report, Arrest-Related Deaths in the United States, 2003-2005, was released in October 2007.

F. Web-based training curriculum (Breeze)

Staff continues to explore development of a web-based application that will serve as a medium to users to present interactive training curricula for criminal justice practitioners, social service professionals, and the general public. Upgraded software has been purchased and a curriculum on data analysis and presentation has been developed. Preliminary work has begun to explore using the software application to assist in training InfoNet users and in providing technical assistance to county juvenile justice officials on use of data for management and planning purposes.

III. NEW PROJECTS

A. Safety Net Works – Implementation Evaluation

The first phase in evaluating the Safety Net Works Initiative will focus on program implementation in each of the 17 sites. This implementation evaluation will place emphasis on project planning, design, implementation and operation, and span all stages of project evolution. The primary purpose of this implementation evaluation will be to assess the extent to which project implementation is conducted in accordance with pre-operational expectations; to document the progress and limitations of the program's implementation; to provide recommendations and guide refinement of the project; to

prepare for a future impact assessment and build evaluation capacity; and to inform and guide similar undertakings.

The implementation evaluation will pay special attention to practical, management-oriented issues, as well as interpersonal and group dynamics. The methodology will include assessments of program set-up and development, the nature and extent of collaboration among participating agencies and organizations, program operations and service delivery. During this reporting period, programs were informed and educated on the purpose of the evaluation. They were also made aware that information on the program's development and progress should be carefully documented, since evaluators may not make frequent site visits to all sites.

In addition, the implementation evaluation will address program performance measures to measures will be captured on program data reports and be related to program objectives. Sources of data will include interviews, focus groups, and surveys. Specifically, instrument such as the TCU Survey of Organizational Functioning may be useful in assessing individual perception of needs as it pertains to continued successful implementation. Additionally, program documentation, as well as program and baseline data, may be used. A determination will also be made as to the level of assessment for each of the sites and whether a select number of sites will be targeted for a more thorough evaluation.

B. Redesign of Criminal Justice DataNet

Staff applied for funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) to enhance web access to the Authority's holdings of criminal justice and social risk factor data. The Authority's Website currently allows users to access datasets pertaining to population; offenses and arrests; court case filings; probation caseloads; court sentences; drug seizures, submissions, and treatment; prison sentences; county jail populations; juvenile justice indicators (petitions, adjudications, detention); and risk factor indicators (child abuse and neglect, divorce, poverty, substance exposed infants, school dropouts/truancies/suspensions/expulsions, teen births, unemployment). These data, however, are currently available as read-only files that limit their usefulness for analysis. To provide datasets in formats that are more useful for research, evaluation, and to provide more useful portraits of information for citizens and students, the grant will fund development of an enhanced web capacity. Once completed, users will be able to download county-level and some city-level data sets in spreadsheet and database formats, and to create customized graphs and maps interactively in a web-based environment. The decision to fund this project will be made by BJS in June.

C. Campus Crime Report

Data collected from the US Department of Education, Office of Post-Secondary Education was downloaded via their website and cleaned for purposes of analysis of crime on Illinois' college campuses. The data include arrests, offenses, hate crimes, and incidents that go through a school disciplinary process for violent, property, alcohol/drug related and gun related crimes. Data for 399 schools in Illinois was downloaded for the years 2001-2006. Staff are in the process of writing a research report on the nature and extent of crime on Illinois college campuses, as well as information on changes being made in policy and practice regarding campus crime. Publication is expected this summer.

IV. GRANT PROPOSALS

R&A staff routinely pursues discretionary grants to support data collection, research, and evaluation activities. Frequently these projects involve collaborations with universities and/or other criminal justice agencies.

Research on Human Trafficking

Staff applied for a national Institute of Justice Grant on human trafficking. Staff is proposing to complete an evaluation of a pilot sex trafficking program for women arrested in the 8th police district in Chicago for prostitution. Grant was submitted on February 12, 2008.

V. CONTINUING STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

Staff continues to conduct and/or take part in a variety of staff development and training programs and projects. These include: (a) observations/site visits to several key criminal justice agencies; (b) peer review process for project development and pre-publication; (c) partnerships with the academic community; (d) training classes including basic SPSS use and the use of mapping software. ICJIA has contracted for training, starting in December of 2007, to train two research staff in the new version of the ARCGIS mapping software. One will attend additional training on server side technologies and the use of the mapping software over the internet in a .net environment. Both will provide assistance and training to all R&A and other interested staff in applying to most modern mapping technologies to the agency's analytical and **reporting/communicative** efforts.

- On April 9, staff attended the training: *Women, Girls and Trauma: Creating Gender-Responsive Services*, held by the Institute for Relational Development, Center for Gender and Justice.
- Several R&A staff are actively pursuing advanced academic degrees in graduate programs and post-graduate programs. Some also serve as adjunct faculty in criminal justice and other social science programs.

Internship program.

Under the direct supervision of a senior staff member in the Research and Analysis Unit, interns are hired to perform a variety of information functions relating to critical issues facing the Illinois criminal justice system. There is no compensation for these positions, but interns may be able to use the experience as course credit. Three interns have been identified for the summer term, and are scheduled to begin in May, assisting primarily with the Evidence Based Practices in Probation project.

cc: Lori G. Levin
Hank Anthony

Appendix A

Most recent publications

RESEARCH REPORTS

ICJIA 2007 Annual Reports (March, 2008 44pp)

The Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth in Illinois (January, 2008, 76pp)

RESEARCH BULLETINS / BRIEFS / TECHNICAL MANUALS

Disproportionate Reporting of Violent Victimization Impedes Justice, Services (March, 2008)

Child Sex Exploitation Study Probes Extent of Victimization in Illinois (January, 2008)

THE COMPILER

Winter 2008: The Response to Domestic Violence – Updated Protocol aids Law Enforcement Officials, State’s Attorneys, and the Judiciary in Addressing Abuse Issues

**TABLE 1. Information Request Handling Statistics
January 1, 2008 – March 30, 2008**

ITEM	REQUESTS/Pct
Information requests handled:	119
Monthly average number of requests:	40
Geographic Origin of requesters:	
Chicago metropolitan area	23%
Other region of Illinois	30%
U.S. other than Illinois	29%
Outside the U.S.	3%
Unknown	14%
Type of requester:	
Government agency	34%
Private agency	23%
Researcher	12%
Student	6%
Citizen	22%
Media	3%
Legislators	1%
Inmates	<1%
Method of request:	
Telephone/fax	34%
Mail	0%
Email/Internet	0%
In-person	1%
ICJIA Website	65%
Publications disseminated:	
Mailed in response to requests	5,353
Downloaded from Website	230,650
Total	236,003

Table 2. Authority Website Trends

www.icjia.state.il.us

January 1, 2008 – March 30, 2008

Month/Year	Hits		User Sessions			Visitors			File Downloads	CJ DISPATCH SUBSCRIBERS
	Entire Site	Average Per Day	Sessions	Average Per Day	Average Length (min)	Unique	One-Time	Repeat		
Jan-08	1,428,819	46,090	77,684	2,505	24	32,644	27,702	4,962	79,197	2,530
Feb-08	777,772	26,818	69,192	2,385	19	31,347	26,695	4,652	75,561	2,558
Mar-08	1,013,356	32,688	80,006	2,580	28	33,780	27,532	6,248	75,892	2,569
TOTAL	3,219,947	35,199	226,882	2,490	24	97,771	81,929	15,862	230,650	
MONTHLY AVERAGE	1,073,316		75,627			32,590	27,310	5,287	76,883	



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Hank Anthony
Date: May 29, 2008
Re: Summary of Office of Administrative Services Activities

The Office of Administrative Services continues to support the day to day activities of the Authority to include: mail operations, supply room operation, security, reception, procurement of goods and services, vehicle maintenance, telecommunications coordination, property inventory control, Authority database maintenance, internal staff moves and travel and conference coordination activities.



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MEMORANDUM

To: Authority Members
From: Ronald Litwin
Acting Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: June 6, 2008
Re: Summary of Office of Fiscal Management Activities

The following highlights the work by the Office of Fiscal Management for the Fiscal Year 2008 through April 30, 2008.

Reports

The following reports were prepared and submitted by the OFM staff:

- Quarterly Federal Financial Status Reports (SF 269's) for direct and formula grant awards.
- Cost center reports for agency operations and federal grant cost centers.
- Monthly expense variance report preparation and analysis for the Governor's Office of Management and Budget.
- Quarterly aged accounts receivable and payment application reports.

Federal Grants

- Conducted preliminary budget reviews of approximately 341 interagency agreements.
- Processed 503 contract obligation documents (\$37,948,821) and 1,282 vouchers (\$49,050,329) for federal grants to state and local governments and not-for-profit agencies.

General Agency Obligations

- Completed the obligation, expenditure and cash reconciliations for five funds.
- Established Appropriation authority for FY 2008.

Other Agency Issues

- The Fiscal department completed various fiscal year end tasks in a timely manner.
- The Authority participated in the regular examination of the Agency for the two years ended June 30, 2007. The accounting firm of Duffner & Company, P.C. made the survey of the accounting records and procedures.
- Provided the Governor's Office of Management and Budget (GOMB) with information for the FY09 Budget.
- Preparation of the Illinois State Legislature information package for FY09 budget legislation sessions.
- Successfully relocated Fiscal Operations to the new agency location.
- Attended Fiscal Year 2009 Budget Illinois Senate and House Appropriation hearings.
- Completed the Fiscal Control and Internal Auditing Act reporting.

From: Cutrone, Jack
Sent: Wednesday, May 28, 2008 9:10 AM
To: Anthony, Hank; Pignato, Donald
Subject: 2008-06-06 OGC report for authority meeting materials- Here is electronic copy.
Hard copy coming

Office of the General Counsel

Memorandum

To: Authority Board Members

From: Jack Cutrone, General Counsel

Date: May 21, 2008

Office of the General Counsel Report for the June 6, 2008 Authority Board Meeting

This memorandum highlights significant events and the work performed by the Office of General Counsel since the last OGC Report.

Legal Advice to Authority Staff and Grant Review, etc.

The staff of the Office of General Counsel continues to perform its role as legal advisor to the staff of the Authority and to provide legal review of grants and related documents, contracts, and the like. Since the last Board meeting, OGC has reviewed approximately 80 grant Interagency Agreements, amendments and revisions, grantee contracts with vendors, subrecipients, procurement documents, etc.

OGC staff regularly review Authority publications prior to release for potential legal issues and among the more significant publications reviewed this last quarter were ICJIA publication on juvenile Justice by Lindsay Bostwick and Trends and Issues, to which the entire R&A staff contributed.

As part of OGC's responsibilities, Associate General Counsel Sean O'Brien took part in a site visit to an Authority grantee.

Governor's Anti-Violence Initiative Safety Net Works

OGC has worked closely with the Executive Director, the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority and a coalition of other state agencies to assist in the launch of the program and the use of JABG funds to support part of the program. General Counsel, along with R&A Director, Mark Myrent, represented the Authority at a recent Resource Fair for Safety Net Works grantees that was held at Kennedy-King College in Chicago. The Resource Fair had exhibits from over a dozen state agencies showing resources the agencies might offer to Safety Net Works grantees, most of which sent representatives to the Fair.

Motor Vehicle Trust Fund Suit

The Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, by statute, operates within the aegis of the Authority. The Council and its program are funded from the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund. On May 22, 2006, the Property Casualty Insurers' Association of America, a trade group, filed a lawsuit in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County naming the Governor, the Authority, the Council, the Executive Director and others as defendants. The suit alleged the unconstitutionality of Budget Implementation Acts for several fiscal years which transferred monies from the trust fund to the state's general revenue fund. The defendants are represented by the Attorney General in the lawsuit. The Plaintiff filed a motion for summary judgment and the Attorney General filed a response on behalf of the defendants. Both sides presented argument on the motion on November 2, 2007. After hearing oral arguments from both sides, on January 9, 2008, the trial judge entered an order denying plaintiff's motion for summary judgment. At this stage, either the defendant's will file a motion for summary judgment, or the case will proceed to trial. The case is currently in pretrial stages and nothing of significance has occurred since the January ruling.

Legislation

The United States Congress recently passed the Adam Walsh Act which requires states to meet stringent guidelines in the areas of offender registration and community notification. The Act will be the subject of a presentation by the General Counsel at this meeting. Illinois will not be in compliance with these stringent new requirements. Under the Adam Walsh Act, states have until 2009 to implement necessary changes or face the loss of 10% of its funding under the Justice Assistance Grant Program, which is now the major grant funding source for Illinois criminal justice funding, funding. ICJIA has been meeting with representatives of the Department of Corrections, the State Police and the Attorney General's office toward drafting legislation that would begin the process of putting Illinois in compliance with Adam Walsh, although further steps would have to be taken in next year's legislative session to maintain strict compliance. The

current bill, HB 2769, was passed in the House 111-0. The bill was sent to the Senate where it is in the Rules Committee as of the date of this writing. OGC will continue to monitor the bill and report on its progress at subsequent Authority meetings.

Illinois currently requires HIV testing after indictment or after a finding of probable cause for certain sex offense, or, after a finding of defendant's unfitness for trial, if such testing is requested by the named victim. The latest enactment of the Violence Against Women Act requires that the testing be done within 48 hours of indictment or information for a sex offense of the state will face a 5% cut in VAWA funding.. A bill to accomplish that was unanimously passed in the House last year but upon first reading in the Senate, was referred to the Rule Committee on May 28, 2007. After being contacted by the Authority's lobbyist, Tom Nolan, Sen. Dillard agreed to seek to move the bill out of the Rules Committee for further action. The bill unfortunately was not moved out of Rules and so the Authority is working to use a shell bill to introduce similar legislation.

OGC staff has met and are working on ways of tracking legislation of interest to the Authority with greater efficiency.

Requests for Information

OGC responded to one Freedom of Information Request and 10 general requests for information.

Training and Conferences

In addition to meeting mandatory continuing legal education requirements, OGC staff have begun training in GMIS, the Authority Grant Management Information System.