



**ILLINOIS
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Regular Authority Meeting
Friday, September 11, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.
160 N. LaSalle
Chicago

AGENDA

- Call to Order and Roll Call
- 1. Approval of the Minutes of June 5, 2009 Regular Meeting
- Chairman's Remarks
- 2. Executive Director's Remarks
- 3. Budget Committee Report/Meeting (*Eugene E. Murphy Jr. Chair*)
 - a. Report on the June 30, 2009 and the August 3, 2009 Budget Committee Meetings
 - b. Fiscal Report
- State Terrorist Intelligence Center (*LT. Carnduff, Illinois State Police*)
- Adjourn

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY June 5, 2009 at 9:15 a.m. 160 North LaSalle Street Chicago, Illinois

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Sheldon Sorosky convened the regular meeting of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority. After welcoming Board Members and guests, he asked Jack Cutrone, the Authority's General Counsel, to call the roll.

In addition to Chairman Sorosky, other Authority Members in attendance were:

State's Attorney Anita Alvarez
Chief David P. Bradford
Clerk Dorothy Brown
Sheriff Thomas Dart
Ms. Barbara Engel
Ms. Cynthia Hora
Clerk Becky Jansen
State's Attorney William Mudge
Mr. Eugene E. Murphy, Jr.
Director Michael J. Pelletier
Ms. Mariyana Spyropoulos
Mr. John Z. Toscas

Approval of Minutes of March 6, 2009 Regular Meeting

With a quorum in place, Chairman Sorosky asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the last Authority Meeting.

{Mr. John Z. Toscas moved that the minutes of the March 6, 2009 Authority Meeting be adopted. State's Attorney Mudge seconded the motion and it was adopted by unanimous voice vote.}

Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Sorosky stated that in keeping with the importance of financial matters particularly at this time in our country's history, he would turn to the Authority's Budget Committee Chairman, Mr. Eugene E. Murphy, Jr., for a report. But first he appointed all Board Members in attendance to be a Budget Committee as a whole and then asked Mr. Murphy to make his presentation.

Budget Committee Meeting

Mr. Murphy congratulated the Authority and all of the Members of the Authority Board on what they have been doing in dealing with both federal and state governments in terms of getting the stimulus (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act / ARRA) money out the door. He said that the ideas were wonderful and that he thought they were taken in the spirit intended.

Chairman Murphy said that the system is still in a state of flux. He stated that in the Authority's efforts to get as much money, when it is available, out the door, a brief Budget Committee meeting will be convened today to approve the dissemination of funds because the faster the funds go out the door, the faster the funds can be put to their intended use of employment in the service of goals that were set earlier.

Minutes of the May 4, 2009 Budget Committee Meeting

{Chief Bradford moved to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2009 Budget Committee meeting. Sheriff Dart seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.}

Juvenile Accountability Block Grants (JABG)

Returned Funds

Program Supervisor Mike Carter, referring to the memo at Tab 2 of the meeting materials regarding the proposed FFY04 through FFY08 JABG plan adjustments, said that \$24,445 in FFY04 funds had been returned to the Authority and that those funds would be lapsed back to the federal government. He said that \$47,028 in FFY05 funds was returned. He said that \$62,882 was available in FFY06 lapsed funds.

Recommended Designations

Mr. Carter reported that staff recommended designating a total of \$21,096 to the City of Evanston for its community service and restorative justice programs. He said that staff recommended designating a total of \$260,514 to the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice (IDJJ) to support its parole readjustment program. He noted that staff recommended designating a total of \$144,220 to the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority (IVPA) for its Safety Net Works (SNW) program. He said that staff recommended setting aside \$144,750 in FFY06 lapsing and unallocated local-use funds to assist the state's county probation departments in developing and implementing a jobs readiness and supervised paid internship program. He remarked that this program would be made available through a request for proposals (RFP) which would be released on the following Monday (June 8, 2009).

Mr. Carter said that the Authority recently received \$1.5 million in its FFY08 federal award and these funds would expire on May 31, 2011. He explained that five percent of

this award would be set aside for administrative purposes, leaving \$1.4 million for programming. He said that 75 percent of this amount must be made available for pass-through to units of local government.

Mr. Carter mentioned that \$21,958 remains in FFY05 funding. He said that staff had planned to put these funds toward Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) training. He said that FFY06 has been zeroed out. He said that FFY07 would have \$350,000 remaining, assuming approval of the designations recommended in the memo.

Mr. Carter, in response to a question by Ms. Engel, remarked that the \$21,958 has not been formally recommended for designation, but staff was in the planning stages of putting it to use for BARJ training.

{Chief Bradford moved to approve the FFY04 through FFY08 JABG plan adjustments. Ms. Alvarez seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous voice vote.}

Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)

Executive Director's Remarks

Director Levin stated that, as discussed at the last Budget Committee meeting (on May 4, 2009), the Authority, the secretary of the Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS), representatives of the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC), and the director of the IDJJ met with the Governor's Office to discuss JAG state-use funds. She said that the Authority had received its American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) JAG award and it was in the amount of \$50,198,081.

Director Levin clarified that the only things that staff is requesting designations for at this meeting are essentially programs that need the funds before the end of the state fiscal year so that the programs can be maintained. She said that one of the programs is being tweaked, but basically the goal is to maintain programs that are already being funded, but were either reduced or cut out of the state budget.

Director Levin noted that the Governor's office was represented in these conversations. She said that the Governor's chief of staff had been briefed regarding these designations. She said that this is really a request, not only of staff, but from the Governor's office.

Recommended Designations

Mr. Carter, referring to the memo under Tab 3 of the meeting materials regarding JAG FFY05 and FFY06 plan adjustments and the ARRA plan introduction, said that staff recommended that IDHS receive \$4.2 million. He noted that of the \$4.2 million: \$1.2 million would go towards comprehensive community-based youth services; \$1 million would go towards the SNW program; \$685,000 would go towards community services; \$581,000 would go towards the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA); \$294,200 would go towards juvenile justice reform / communities for youth; \$240,300

would go to unified delinquency intervention services; \$123,100 would go to delinquency prevention programs; and \$58,800 would go to juvenile intervention.

Mr. Carter added that the IDOC had requested \$2.8 million for a day reporting program.

Mr. Carter said that the IDJJ had requested \$566,000; \$350,000 would go towards a juvenile transition center in St. Clair County; \$216,100 would go to the Illinois Youth Center / St. Charles for its residential substance abuse treatment center; and \$500,000 would go to Cease Fire via the IVPA.

Director Levin pointed out that the Authority is still planning on recommending about \$5 million for each of the three agencies. She said that IDHS is requesting approximately \$4.25 million and IDOC is requesting approximately \$2.8 million. She said that there may be a little over \$7 million in total designations. She stated that her estimates were very cursory and that IDOC and IDJJ had other requests with respect to ARRA JAG funds, but they were for youth programs. She remarked that staff was concerned with dealing with state budget cuts at this time. She said that this way, these programs would not need to be cut and subsequently add to the state's unemployment problem.

Director Levin noted that staff would be planning to accommodate future IDOC and IDJJ requests, or anything put forth by the Governor's Office. She said that the designations made at this meeting would primarily be to plug budget holes.

Director Levin, in response to a question by Ms. Hora, stated that about \$4.5 million of the ARRA JAG funds would go toward administrative purposes. She said that about \$4.4 million was going to the Metropolitan Enforcement Group and Task Forces. She noted that the minutes of the previous Budget Committee meeting indicate that there was a designation for rough estimates regarding how the Authority was going to deal with units of local government. She said that staff had been working on some sort of applications that would be released in the near future. She added that at the last Budget Committee meeting it was determined that funds would go toward equipment purchases, but staff wanted to do that only once programming options had been considered.

Mr. Carter, in response to a comment by Ms. Hora, said that it would be easier not to try to think about the \$42 million in available funds as a whole, but to break it down into what is available at the local and state levels. He explained that after making the recommended designations, about \$7 million would remain in state-use funds and about \$25 million would remain in local-use funds.

Mr. Carter said that at the March 6, 2009 Budget Committee meeting the Budget Committee approved a designation of \$25,000 in FFY05 funds to ICASA for its crime victim and witness programs. He said that staff recommended that this designation be rescinded from the FFY05 funds and redesignated using FFY06 funds. He noted that the program would use these funds to purchase clothing for sexual assault victims, translated materials, and starter kits.

{Mr. Mudge moved to approve the JAG FFY05 and FFY06 plan adjustments and the JAG ARRA plan introduction. Ms. Engel seconded the motion. All Authority board members present voted to approve the motion with the exception of Mr. Toscas, who voted against the motion.}

Ms. Engel said that she wanted to reiterate that after the Budget Committee was presented with the breakdown of how ARRA money could be allocated and the percentages had been determined, the Budget Committee had decided that these funds were flexible.

Director Levin reported that there would be guidelines with some flexibility. She said that the reason why a lot of ARRA resources were focused on law enforcement was that law enforcement was not getting any of the state's dollars. She added that in many states, JAG funds are used exclusively for law enforcement. She said that the Authority was trying to strike a delicate balance. She stated that programming would take priority and the equipment RFPs would be dealt with last, but that was not to say that there would be no equipment RFPs.

Ms. Engel suggested giving priority or weight to saving jobs, which is essential.

Chairman Murphy emphasized that this is about maintaining and creating jobs; this is about people working.

Director Levin, in response to a question by Ms. Engel, remarked that the applications would be available soon and that they are currently being vetted by Executive Staff. She said that Mr. Carter is drafting them now. She concluded by saying that she hoped that the applications would be done within the next few weeks.

Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

Mr. Reichgelt, referring to the memo under Tab 4 of the meeting materials regarding VAWA FFY06, FFY07, and FFY08 plan adjustments, said that in 2001 the Victim Services Ad Hoc committee (VSAHC) recommended, and the Authority board approved, the establishment of funding for multi-disciplinary teams (MDTs) in Illinois. He added that the Authority now funds four MDTs; three for domestic violence and one for sexual assault. He said that, initially, funding for these programs was set for a three-year period and pursuant to VSAHC and Authority board approval, the funding period was extended to six years. He explained that the MDTs are now entering their sixth and final year of funding.

Recommended Designations

Mr. Reichgelt noted that the recommendations for MDTs presented in the memo are for the St. Clair County MDT, which consists of four partners: the St. Clair County Probation Department; the St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office; the St. Clair County Sheriff's Department; and the Violence Prevention Center of Southwest Illinois. He remarked that

these funds would provide money for Project Renee, which is an off-site one-stop victim service agency for victims of domestic violence in St. Clair County.

Mr. Reichgelt reported that staff recommended a designation to Safe Passage to allow it to continue its transitional housing program for another 12 months. He noted that VAWA transitional housing programs actually get two grants; they get a VAWA grant which provides funding for rent and they also receive a Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant to pay for services. He said that the VOCA grant would be designated at a later date, but staff wanted to ensure that the actual housing didn't experience any breaks in continuity.

{Mr. Toscas moved to approve the VAWA FFY06, FFY07, and FFY08 plan adjustments. Ms. Engel seconded the motion and it was approved by unanimous voice vote.}

Further Discussion

Chairman Murphy announced that the Budget Committee would continue to meet frequently because the landscape is constantly changing, in relation to both Springfield and Washington, D.C., and the committee needs to be constantly prepared. He thanked the board members for their participation in Budget Committee meetings and encouraged them to participate by teleconference if they cannot attend meetings in person.

Mr. Reichgelt, in response to a question by Ms. Engel, said that in FFY05, VAWA has another year; those funds will not expire until September 30, 2010. He went on to say that the Authority would use the older funds in conjunction with the newer funds to provide funding for all of the Authority's programs. He said that he didn't want to bring it up at this meeting since he was trying to keep his presentation brief, but he reminded the board that VAWA programs across the board recently received significant funding reductions. He noted that, at that time, staff had requested a 20 percent cut and then permission to cut another 10 percent, for a maximum of 30 percent, if necessary. He said it would not be necessary to go forward with the extra 10 percent. He indicated that with the FFY09 award, staff expects enough money to fund all VAWA programs for one more year.

Adjourn

At this point, 9:45 a.m., Chairman Sorosky thanked Mr. Murphy and declared the conclusion of the Budget Committee portion of the meeting. The Authority Regular Meeting resumed discussion of other items on its agenda.

Executive Director's Remarks

Chairman Sorosky called upon the Executive Director for her remarks, but first he announced that this would be Executive Director Lori Levin's last meeting because she was leaving the Authority and government for the private practice of law.

Chairman Sorosky said that the Authority wished her the best and on behalf of the Board, wanted to thank her for all her hard work and accomplishments, proclaiming June 5, 2009

as Lori Levin Day at the Authority in tribute to her and in recognition of the Board's appreciation.

Director Levin thanked everyone and said that her decision to leave after almost six years was a hard one to make. But she mentioned that many of the projects on which she had been personally working were at the point of coming to fruition, owing in large measure to a great Board and staff, and when she reflected on her career, the move seemed to be good.

She added that the administration has been supportive of the Authority, with Governor Quinn and Chief of Staff Jerry Stermer making the Authority feel like it is part of the team. But she said that she missed practicing law, being in court and being a prosecutor, although she remarked that these skills helped her assure that her work was done correctly in her position as Executive Director. She remarked that she was excited about the future, but sad because the Board and staff will not be part of it. However, she said that she only would be moving across the street to 222 South Riverside Plaza.

She then discussed the elder abuse project as one of the projects on which she had been working and for which a grant was received through Congressman Jesse Jackson. She explained that it will be featured at the upcoming Governor's Conference on Aging in July. Next she reported on a number of competitive grants, citing a \$1 million grant application for the stimulus for transitional housing that the Authority worked on with the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence. She mentioned a grant application for the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) record improvement program for over \$600,000 and a competitive grant application dealing with post-conviction DNA that the Authority filed with the University of Illinois.

She also mentioned a competitive application that the Cook County Public Defender's Office asked the Authority to file for capital punishment training. She said that the Authority is attempting to move forward in accordance with the Governor's wanting to try to bring as much money as possible into Illinois.

Director Levin then complimented each of the Associate Directors and all the staff on their commitment and hard work and introduced Edith Feliciano, as the new Associate Director for Human Resources. She said she again wanted to thank Ron Litwin, the 2008 Employee of the Year, for the added work he undertook when the Authority had no Chief Fiscal Officer for a long time. Further, she mentioned that the Authority's General Counsel Jack Cutrone has been, and continues to be, a great asset, and once more thanked the Board and staff for their assistance and friendship.

At that point, Director Brown said that she would like to make a statement on behalf of the entire Board and herself expressing how enjoyable it has been working with Director Levin and that the professionalism, timeliness and perseverance that she brought to her position was very refreshing. Director Brown added that she thought she probably worked with the Director more than anyone given that she is Vice Chair of the Illinois Integrated Justice Information System Implementation Board and the Executive Director

is the Chair. Director Brown continued to say that she thought a great deal had been accomplished by the IJIS Implementation Board and the Authority Board, as well as by the Information Systems Committee. In conclusion, she said that she wanted to wish Director Levin a great future, knowing that she will be successful in her career and that she looked forward to seeing her.

Chairman Sorosky thanked Director Brown and then called on Chief Fiscal Officer Ted Miller for his fiscal report.

Fiscal Report by Ted Miller, Chief Fiscal Officer

Mr. Miller said he would be discussing the two exhibits that were distributed and also talking briefly about the FY10 Budget. Starting with Operations through the third quarter of the year, under Exhibit 1, he said that the Authority had spent 59 percent of its expenditures and probably would spend about 83 percent when the year is completed. He explained the reason 100 percent would not be spent was because there were vacancies that had not been filled.

Moving to the Electronic Data Processing (EDP) line, he indicated that it also will not be spent at 100 percent because some purchases the Authority planned to make had to be canceled due to the state's fiscal problems, and the same for a disaster recovery solution it had been developing.

In discussing Exhibit 2, Grants and Awards, Mr. Miller stated the Authority paid its administrative support from its Criminal Justice Trust Fund which is budgeted at \$5.8 million. He said that not all that amount would be spent because there are some 15 vacancies that need to be filled, which he thought was possible for the stimulus. He added that the FY10 budget does not affect those positions and the process is proceeding as fast possible. He explained that more money is spent at the end of the year than up to the current time, which has appeared to be the trend for the four or five years that he has been affiliated with the Authority.

Moving on to the General Revenue Matching Funds, Mr. Miller indicated that the Authority will spend close to \$900,000, which he explained was its federal match for the Authority's different grants. He stated that the reason all of it was not spent currently was a timing issue and reiterated that the Authority will spend that amount or slightly over as expected. He then discussed the Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund and said that it represents money received from sources other than federal and is not under General Revenue Funds. He reported that one grant of \$25,000 was available, which probably would be spent the current year.

Next Mr. Miller detailed the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant saying that the Authority would spend about \$2 million, with the remainder carried over plus whatever new money is received for next year. He continued to say that theoretically the Authority can spend all the money in one year, but normally it does not. Mr. Miller stated that there are no main financial issues and that the Authority is doing better than most of the

state agencies because it is 98 percent either federal or motor vehicle funded, sheltering it from what is happening in the State of Illinois.

With respect to the FY10 budget, he said it is up to debate if there is one. He said he believed the Authority would be okay given that its request had been approved and again, that it receives 98 percent from either federal or motor vehicle funds. He mentioned there were some cuts from the other General Revenue Fund, but that the Authority should be fine. However, he said that since the budget is not final, and with additional work to be done, he would make a more complete budget presentation in September. He and Chairman Sorosky then asked if there were any questions, comments or concerns.

Ms. Engel asked if the Authority's funding would be affected by the Legislature's 50 percent cuts. Mr. Miller responded that some funding would be affected, but overall the Authority would be okay. Following up, Ms. Engel asked if that meant that no staff layoff is anticipated. In reply, Mr. Miller said that nothing like that was anticipated at the current time, adding that there might be other communication, but there had not been any indication along those lines. He noted that the Authority will be able to hire the stimulus personnel because they are federally funded and approval from the Governor's Office was being awaited. He said interviews would be started and people would be hired as soon as possible, once more saying that the Authority was doing better than most agencies.

Chairman Sorosky thanked Mr. Miller. He then introduced Illinois State Police Master Sergeant Ben Halloran, Chairman of the Metropolitan Enforcement Group (MEG) and Task Force Association for a presentation on drug law enforcement efforts.

Presentation on Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Task Forces by Illinois State Police Master Sergeant Ben Halloran and Lieutenant David Hodgeson

Sergeant Halloran thanked Chairman Sorosky. He explained that the Multi Enforcement Group and Task Force Association, of which he is Chairman, represents 23 narcotics units throughout the State of Illinois, 19 of which are funded through the Authority, ranging from the northern to the southern end of the state. He added that his operational area is the McLean County area in the middle of the state and beyond. He then introduced Lieutenant David Hodgeson and pointed out that Lieutenant Hodgeson was not only the former Chairman of the MEG and Task Force Association but also was the Task Force Unit Commander.

Sergeant Halloran proceeded to detail the history of the Metropolitan Enforcement Groups and Task Forces, as starting around 1978, with his specific unit, in 1983. He said there have been several expansion grants, along with a funding decrease in 2006, and now additional moneys appear to be forthcoming. He then started his Power Point presentation. He described the statewide coverage, citing that from 2003 to 2009 the head count for local officers decreased from 200 to about 185, and the number of state police officers decreased from 85 to 70 or 73.

Next he cited and summarized arrest statistics. He stated that the numbers projected for the first quarter of 2009 were generally consistent with 2008 activity and levels. He pointed to 2007 as a significant year for seizing firearms, given a major gun initiative that netted 600 guns in just one operation that was undertaken for a long period of time. Next, Sergeant Halloran addressed gang arrests. He said they are increasing, along with active gang recruitment, across the state. He cited the Bloomington Normal area as an example where there was greater gang activity. He said that the Multi-Jurisdictional Task Forces are assisting local agencies in trying to stop this growing situation. He cautioned that it is important for communities to be aggressive in this pursuit while there is an opportunity because if it is allowed to escalate, chances of success are going to diminish greatly.

Next Sergeant Halloran discussed working with private and public sector partnerships including major corporations like State Farm as well as elder groups who provide assistance for different purposes such as school and community organization drug education programs. In addition he mentioned training local probation officers as to what needs to be recognized when doing home visits, and stressed the importance of reaching children at a young age to prevent drug use, even as young as 13 or 14. He also stressed the importance of enforcing court ordered drug treatment.

At that point Lieutenant David Hodgeson talked about the MEG/TF drug treatment partnership, describing outreach efforts to various drug treatment centers. He also described other initiatives, including the McLean County Drug Court. In addition, he discussed the use of new technology made possible by grant money, such as GPS tracking devices and IP cameras. In addition, Lieutenant Hodgeson outlined the Statewide Terrorism Intelligence Center, which the MEG/TF operates in concert with the state police.

He then mentioned the use of interdiction, which he explained is basically a proactive stance toward trying to intercept drugs, and he detailed several interdiction activities. Afterwards, Sergeant Halloran, introduced a video on the deconfliction system. He stated that its use is being promoted among more and more police agencies throughout the states to improve communication and case information, not only to help ensure officer safety but also to increase the possibilities for more drug seizures, and he cited some examples. He went on to discuss various other operations and cases that were successful utilizing MEG or Task Force narcotics team assistance in different parts of the state as well as in Ontario, Canada.

In conclusion, he asked for questions, with Ms. Engel inquiring as to a breakdown of the drugs making up the 80 plus percent of arrests he mentioned for felony charges. In response, Sergeant Halloran stated that there was a combination, with crack cocaine appearing to be consistent and more and more of prescription drugs, as well as ecstasy and LSD. He continued to say that heroin is reappearing in addition to cannabis, adding that medical marijuana is passing into Illinois.

Ms. Engel then asked if there were a breakdown in terms of methamphetamine activity. Sergeant Halloran remarked that its use was down, but a slight increase was starting. He said that the large labs are not as prevalent, but there are still small labs. At that point, Lieutenant Hodgeson said that he would provide a spreadsheet of the breakdown. In the discussion that ensued, topics included the need to examine the individual amounts of drugs being used for making decisions as to treatment versus prison for the users. Also discussed was what is required to do a better job with the war on drugs.

Director Brown remarked that it seemed like the war on drugs was not going away and that it appeared to her, even with gains, it is a deeper problem requiring efforts in addition to law enforcement. At that point, Colonel Michael Snyders of the Illinois State Police, addressing the concerns of Directors Brown and Engel, stated that law enforcement is changing the way success is counted.

He said that the focus is shifting from how many people are arrested or the amount of drugs seized to more emphasis on public feelings of security in the community. He reiterated that greater interaction with drug treatment centers and drug courts, as shown in the presentation, was being pursued to prevent people from going in and out of jail and to have real outcomes in the community. He said that success is being geared more toward public safety than just statistics.

In response, Ms. Engel said that she was pleased with the approach of working toward community safety and to bring about better outcomes for individuals. She added that she also felt it was a more effective use of funds, rather than filling prisons with young people using low levels of drugs. Her comment led to a discussion of how this new emphasis was being put into effect. Sergeant Halloran responded that efforts included drug education programs in schools and community organizations to help prevent drug use at a young age, reiterating the initiatives he mentioned earlier. He then concluded the presentation, and thanked everyone for their time.

At that point, Chairman Sorosky thanked Sergeant Ben Halloran and Lieutenant Dave Hodgeson for their presentation, and emphasized in agreement that unless young people are meaningfully educated to stop using drugs, drug dealing is not going to stop, no matter how effective law enforcement is. He added that drug problems transcend all communities and all economies and do not only occur in bad neighborhoods so drug education needs to be widespread. He then asked if there were any old or new business.

Ms. Engel said on behalf of the Board, she wanted to thank Lori Levin for her six years of service and for her hard work, and wished her great success in the future.

Chairman Sorosky then stated he had one item of new business, which called for a motion to adopt commendations for two Board Members who left the Board, Larry G. Trent and Roger E. Walker, Jr., and one for Director Levin, praising and commending all three for the work they have done.

{Mr. Toscas moved that the commendations be adopted. Mr. Mudge seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous voice vote.}

Motion to Adjourn

{Mr. Toscas' motion to adjourn was seconded by Chief Bradford and adopted by unanimous voice vote.}



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Ted Miller,
Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Authority Fiscal Reports

Attached are the FY 2009 fiscal reports covering the period:
July 1, 2008 through July 30, 2009.

Exhibit #1 – Operations

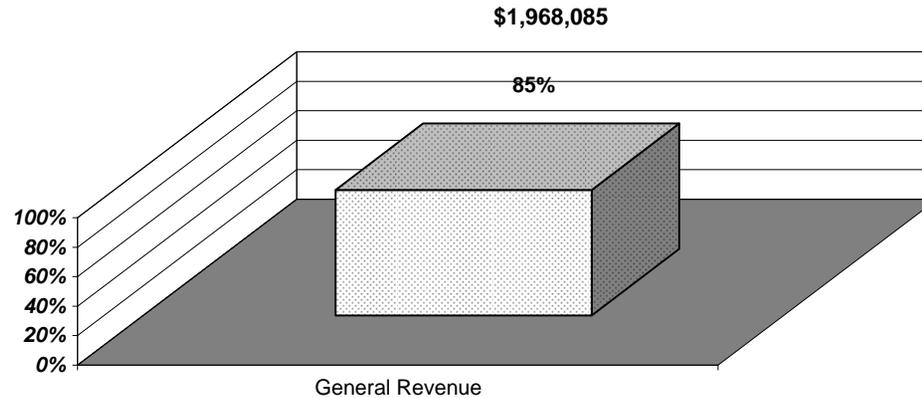
As shown on Exhibit 1, the Authority has expended or obligated 85% of our General Revenue operations.

Exhibit #2 – Awards and Grants

As shown on Exhibit 2, the Authority has expended or obligated 85% of our General Revenue matching funds appropriation and 49% 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 2009 Expenditures/Obligations
 July 1, 2008 - July 31, 2009

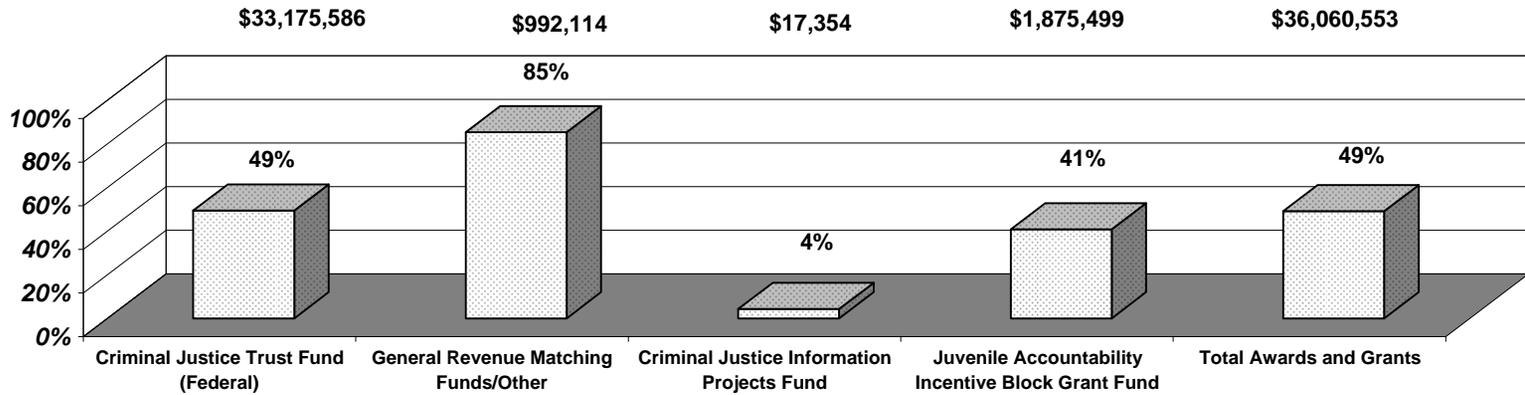


	General Revenue			
	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)
Personal Services	\$1,375,000	\$0	\$1,185,522	\$189,478
Retirement	\$244,700	\$0	\$247,502	(\$2,802)
FICA	\$95,800	\$0	\$88,534	\$7,266
Contractual	\$331,700	\$0	\$288,274	\$43,426
Travel	\$11,200	\$0	\$3,185	\$8,015
Commodities	\$12,000	\$0	\$8,082	\$3,918
Printing	\$13,500	\$0	\$8,693	\$4,807
Equipment	\$5,500	\$0	\$0	\$5,500
EDP	\$165,000	\$0	\$91,504	\$73,496
Telecommunications	\$44,100	\$0	\$39,179	\$4,921
Operation of Auto	\$13,500	\$0	\$7,609	\$5,891
Total	\$2,312,000	\$0	\$1,968,085	\$343,915
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):			85%	15%

(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 2009 Expenditures/Obligations
 July 1, 2008 - July 31, 2009



	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	\$3,388,862	\$2,411,138	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$992,114	\$7,886			
State Agencies	\$12,000,000	\$4,301,464	\$7,698,536							
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.	\$37,000,000	\$25,302,704	\$11,697,296							
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$1,700,000	\$182,555	\$1,517,445	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$17,354	\$382,646
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000							
Shared Services	\$700,000	\$0	\$700,000	\$162,165	\$0	\$0	\$162,165			
Total	\$67,200,000	\$33,175,586	\$34,024,414	\$1,162,165	\$0	\$992,114	\$170,051	\$400,000	\$17,354	\$382,646
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		49%	51%			85%	15%		4%	96%
	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				\$6,800,000	\$0	\$4,380,976	\$2,419,024			
State Agencies				\$12,000,000	\$0	\$4,301,464	\$7,698,536			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.				\$37,000,000	\$0	\$25,302,704	\$11,697,296			
Misc. Awards/Grants				\$2,100,000	\$0	\$199,909	\$1,900,091			
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives				\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000			
Shared Services	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$962,165	\$0	\$0	\$962,165			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant	\$4,500,000	\$1,875,499	\$2,624,501	\$4,500,000	\$0	\$1,875,499	\$2,624,501			
Total	\$4,600,000	\$1,875,499	\$2,724,501	\$73,362,165	\$0	\$36,060,553	\$37,301,613			
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		41%	59%			49%	51%			

(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.

General Revenue	85%
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Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)	49%
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General Revenue Matching Funds/Other	85%
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Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund	4%
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Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund	41%
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Total Awards and Grants	49%
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MEMORANDUM

To: Authority Members
From: Ted Miller
Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Summary of Office of Fiscal Management Activities

The following highlights the work by the Office of Fiscal Management for the Fiscal Year 2009 thru July 30, 2009.

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 293 interagency agreements.
- Processed 332 contract obligation documents (\$29,342,571) and 1170 vouchers (\$28,363,998) 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 2010.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

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

Date: August 28, 2009

Re: Federal and State Grants Unit Report – September 11, 2009 Authority Meeting

The staff assigned to the Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU) performed the following activities during the period of May 1, 2009 to July 31, 2009. During this period, FSGU headcount dropped by one to 16.

Grant Activities

During the reporting period, FSGU staff monitored 323 grants, representing approximately \$32,094,051 in grant funds. Monitoring included the following:

- Reviewing (696) monthly or quarterly reports: (337) data and (359) fiscal;
- Initiating disbursement of funds requested by grantees;
- Conducting (approximately 36) 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 2,400 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 259 new agreements (grants), representing \$33,175,475 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 the following meetings:

- Two Budget Committee meetings were held; on May 4, 2009 and June 30, 2009.
- One Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition (JCEC) planning meeting was held on May 12, 2009.
- The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (IMVTPC) conducted a regular council meeting on May 15, 2009 in Springfield and a grant review committee meeting on July 15, 2009 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.

Federal Program Applications

Between May 1 and July 31 of 2009, seven applications were submitted to the federal government for awards from the following federal programs:

Program	Date Submitted
National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) Act Record Improvement Program (NARIP) FFY09	May 22, 2009
National Forensic Science Improvement Act (NFSIA) FFY09	May 29, 2009
Post-conviction DNA Testing Assistance Program (PDNAT) FFY09	May 29, 2009
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) FFY09	June 5, 2009
President-Elect Security Assistance Reimbursement Grant Program (PESAR) FFY09	July 2, 2009
Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) FFY09	June 12, 2009
Project Safe Neighborhoods Central (PSN) FFY09	July 13, 2009
President Elect Security Assistance Reimbursement Grant FFY09	July 2, 2009

Federal Program Awards

Between May 1, 2009 and July 31, 2009, the Authority received three federal awards:

Program	Date Received	Amount
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA ARRA) FFY09	May 15, 2009	\$5,094,365
Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG ARRA) FFY09	May 29, 2009	\$50,198,081
Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program (RSAT) FFY09	July 28, 2009	\$284,042
President Elect Security Assistance Reimbursement Grant FFY09*	August 20, 2009*	\$2,021,885

Trainings and Conferences

Staff has participated in numerous Recovery related webinars sponsored by the Office of Management and Budget, the Bureau of Justice Administration and the Governor's Office. The purpose of these webinars has been to provide training on the proper administration and reporting of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)-related grants.

Requests for Proposals (RFPs)

- 1) One Justice Assistance Grants / ARRA RFP for law enforcement officer safety equipment that was issued in July is due on August 14, 2009.
- 2) In June, staff released the FFY06 JAG equipment RFP for completion and submission on-line. This was a first for such RFPs. This process significantly reduced ICJIA's expenses for copying and mailing as well as those same expenses for the applicants. In addition, the online submission is a significant step toward making future RFPs paperless.

Other Activities

- 3) 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.
- 4) 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.
- 5) 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.
- 6) 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.
- 7) 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.
- 8) Staff has been working closely with Fiscal Management staff to close out the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) FFY03 federal award.
- 9) Staff continues to be involved in post-Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) Summit activities, including the Illinois BARJ initiative.
- 10) 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 new E-Grant database system. Testing on a beta version began in May and a

revised version is in-process. The new E-Grant system (eGMIS) will replace the current Grant Management Information System (GMIS).

- 11) Staff has been focused on ARRA planning, administration, RFPs, and technical aspects of ARRA compliance.
- 12) Staff has worked diligently to prepare for reporting requirements associated with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) program funds the will be disbursed by the Authority.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Budget Committee Members

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

DATE: September 11, 2009

RE: **Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) ARRA09 Plan Adjustment #1**

This memo describes proposed adjustments to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 Plan.

DESIGNATION REDUCTION

Illinois Department of Human Services: The IDHS was designated \$58,800 at the June 5 Authority Regular Meeting (Budget Agenda) for a Juvenile Intervention Special Project that would have focused on case management. The IDHS has since eliminated this program. Staff recommends that this \$58,800 designation be rescinded and that the funds be made available for future programming.

NEW DESIGNATIONS

Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board – Expansion, \$800,000:

Staff recommends designating a total of \$800,000 in state-use JAG ARRA funds (\$741,200 in unexpended funds plus the \$58,800 returned by IDHS as described above) to the Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board for the purpose of expanding the program into additional counties throughout the state. The Redeploy Illinois Act took effect in December 2003 and provides counties with funding for probation departments to assess delinquent youth and to refer those youths deemed low-risk to community-based programs that include education, recreation, community service, and crisis and health intervention. Redeploy program participants are non-violent youth who would otherwise be incarcerated.

Redeploy Illinois programs are obligated to reduce the number of youths commitments to the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice (IDJJ) by 25 percent from the average number of commitments for the previous three years. Redeploy Illinois program sites operate in Macon County, the 2nd Judicial Circuit (serving Crawford, Edwards, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Richland, Wabash, Wayne, and White counties) St. Clair County, and Peoria County.

Services provided by Redeploy Illinois programs include: aggression replacement training, functional family therapy, GPS monitoring, substance abuse and mental health treatment, life skills education, parent/family support and victim support. In the first two years of implementation, Redeploy Illinois pilot sites, on average, reduced IDJJ commitments by 44 percent (226 youths) within their communities. The Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board estimated that the reduction of 226 youths equals a gross IDJJ savings of more than \$11 million at the four sites.

Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority - 2010 Criminal Justice Forum, \$125,000:

The Authority will host a major criminal justice planning forum in Fall 2010. The Authority anticipates bringing together policy makers from state and local criminal justice agencies and organizations as well as members of the General Assembly, practitioners, and academics for a two-day forum. The Authority last hosted such a planning forum in 2002 and the event drew approximately 200 participants.

The focus of the forum will be on how the components of the criminal justice system can coordinate their efforts and use best practices in a variety of areas to continue providing quality services in a time of limited resources. The Authority will bring in nationally recognized experts from across the country to share their experiences in implementing proven strategies that address a wide range of criminal justice issues. In advance of the forum, the Authority will reach out to practitioners across Illinois so that the Forum will address their issues and concerns as well as give an opportunity to share their successes. The forum will have plenary sessions to address overarching issues as well as breakout sessions of interest to various components of the criminal justice community.

As with the last planning forum, the Authority plans to continue the forum's efforts with working groups which will ultimately produce strategic plans to address the issues raised at the forum. In so doing, the Authority looks to further one of the purposes for the creation of the Authority; to bring together the various segments of the criminal justice field to coordinate their efforts in recognition of the fact that the actions of any one component of the criminal justice system can have effects across all of the components.

The grant which the Authority seeks will be used to pay for the costs of the forum, including advance surveys, facility and meal costs, speakers' travel and accommodations, the costs associated with the working groups that will grow out of the forum, and production of the final planning documents. The grant will also be used to pay for a portion of the personnel costs for a soon-to-be-hired assistant director of the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit who will be given primary responsibility for the planning and the execution of the forum.

Staff recommends designating \$125,000 in JAG ARRA 2009 funds to cover the costs of the 2010 Criminal Justice Planning Forum.

Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) – Day Reporting Program, \$1,000,000:

On June 5, 2009, the Budget Committee approved \$2,800,000 in JAG ARRA funds for the IDOC's Day Reporting program. This is a reentry program for adult parolees that works to assist parolees in making successful transitions into the community setting. IDOC reported that the program costs approximately \$5.5 million per year to operate and would have been cut by approximately 50 percent without these Recovery funds. IDOC now reports that the program will cost more than \$6 million to operate and requests an addition \$1 million in JAG ARRA funds to avoid addition cuts and job loss. Staff recommends increasing IDOC's Day Reporting program designation from \$2.8 million to \$3.8 million.

Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) – Parole Officer Fleet upgrade, \$1,200,000:

Staff recommends designating \$1,200,000 to IDOC for the purpose of purchasing 65 – 80 vehicles to replace its aging parole officer fleet. Sixty-five percent of the current fleet has over 125,000 miles, many are at or near 200,000 miles, and 85 percent of the fleet is a 2002 model or older. The current fleet has very frequent mechanical breakdowns resulting in security issues in parolee/prisoner transport and also resulting in missed hearing and court dates.

Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice (IDJJ) – Implementation of Aftercare System, Cook County Region, \$4,433,900:

Staff recommends designating \$4,433,900 to IDJJ for the purpose of implementing the IDJJ Aftercare System in the Cook County Region. These funds will be used to hire 33 Aftercare staff (28 Aftercare agents, two supervisors, two clerical staff, and three additional youth and family specialist agents) who will work to create a community-based treatment model that provides the most appropriate realm of services for juveniles as they leave the institutional setting. The program will allow for a 1:24 caseload ratio between aftercare agents and youths as well as establish special treatment beds, transition centers, and regular placement slots. Through this initiative, IDJJ will realize a reduction in the overcrowding of its facilities, improve the quality of life for youths, make the agency safer, reduce facility costs, and realize positive outcomes for youths.

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

**JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANTS
ARRA09 PLAN
ATTACHMENT A - *Corrected 7/27/09, Revised 8/27/09***

JAG Purpose Area: PROSECUTION AND COURT PROGRAMS

	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
Program Title: Parole Initiatives			
<u>Project Title: Day Reporting Program</u> Illinois Department of Corrections	\$2,800,000	\$3,800,000	\$1,000,000
<u>Project Title: Juvenile Transition Center - St. Clair County</u> Illinois Department of Corrections	\$350,000		
<u>Project Title: Illinois Youth Center - St. Charles</u> Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice	\$216,100		
<u>Project Title: Parole Officer Fleet Upgrade</u> Illinois Department of Corrections	\$0	\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000
Program Title: Probation Initiatives			
<u>Project Title: Redeploy Illinois</u> Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board	\$0	\$800,000	\$800,000

JAG Purpose Area: PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Program Title: Comprehensive Community-Based Youth Services			
<u>Project Title: Comprehensive Community-Based Youth Services</u> Illinois Department of Human Services	\$1,275,700		
Program Title: Safety Net Works			
<u>Project Title: Safety Net Works</u> Illinois Department of Human Services	\$1,000,000		
Program Title: Community Services			
<u>Project Title: Community Youth Services</u> Illinois Department of Human Services	\$685,000		
Program Title: Rape Crisis and Rape Prevention			
<u>Project Title: Rape Crisis and Rape Prevention</u> Illinois Department of Human Services (ICASA)	\$581,000		
Program Title: Juvenile Justice Reform			
<u>Project Title: Communities for Youth</u> Illinois Department of Human Services	\$294,200		

Program Title: Unified Delinquency Intervention Services

Project Title: Unified Delinquency Intervention Services
Illinois Department of Human Services \$240,300

Program Title: Delinquency Prevention

Project Title: Delinquency Prevention
Illinois Department of Human Services \$123,100

Program Title: Juvenile Intervention

Project Title: Juvenile Intervention Special Project
Illinois Department of Human Services \$58,800 \$0 (\$58,800)

Program Title: Community Violence Prevention

Project Title: CeaseFire
Illinois Violence Prevention Authority \$500,000

JAG Purpose Area: PLANNING, EVALUATION, AND TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT

Program Title: Criminal Justice Planning

Project Title: 2010 Criminal Justice Assembly
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority \$0 \$125,000 \$125,000

JAG Purpose Area: CORRECTIONS AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAMS

Program Title: Correctional Initiatives

Project Title: Aftercare (Cook County Region)
Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice \$0 \$4,433,900 \$4,433,900

UNALLOCATED FUNDS

Unallocated - Discretionary

	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
Undesignated Local	\$30,089,559		
<i>Undesignated State</i>	<i>\$7,717,486</i>	\$217,386	(\$7,500,100)
<i>Undesignated Interest (as of 8/27/09)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$48,232</i>	<i>\$48,232</i>

ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS

Administration

Administration Funds \$4,266,836

TOTAL *\$50,198,081* *\$50,246,313* *\$48,232*



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To: Authority Members

From: Mark Myrent, Associate Director
Research and Analysis Unit

Date: August 24, 2009

Re: Research and Analysis Unit Report for the September 2009 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. NEW PROJECTS

A. Study of the Costs of the Illinois Death Penalty

Illinois Senate Resolution No. 297, which was recently signed into law, directs the Authority to conduct a study of the costs of the death penalty in Illinois, including but not limited to the costs of seeking the death penalty, the costs of a capital trial, the costs of appeals, the costs of incarceration, and the costs of execution. In addition, the study is to provide parallel costs associated with sentencing persons convicted of first degree murder to life imprisonment, so as to provide a direct cost comparison on the same level of detail as the costs of the death penalty. While this research is contingent on receipt of a state funding appropriation, which was not passed, Authority staff have begun, nonetheless, to prepare a preliminary outline of the scope of such a study, pending additional staffing resources. Staff are currently reviewing similar studies that have been carried out in other states – recording both the results of these studies as well as the cost estimation methodologies employed. It is anticipated that this preliminary exercise will yield summary findings of death penalty costs that may be somewhat comparable to those in Illinois while, at the same time providing a base of knowledge for determining the scope of work possible under varying funding scenarios. A preliminary report on this review process is expected in October 2009.

B. Redesign of Criminal Justice DataNet

Staff received \$58,000 in funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) to enhance web access and on-line presentation formats of the Authority's holdings of criminal justice and social risk factor data. An added feature of the project is enhancements to the Federal Deaths in Custody Reporting process conducted by the Authority on behalf of Illinois law enforcement agencies.

During the last quarter, a nine-month extension of the project was granted by BJS, in light of delays caused by hiring difficulties. The project will now extend until June 30, 2010. A staff person for the project was hired in July. Work proceeded on updating the existing maps, charts and facts on the JUST THE FACTS pages. Statistics spanning 1997-2007 were developed and posted for 14 topic areas, including: crime trends for violent and property offenses; drugs seized; drugs submitted for testing at Illinois State Police labs; drug treatment admissions; arrest trends for violent, property and drug offenses; court filings statistics; probation sentence statistics; and several special topics, such as domestic violence trends and elder abuse statistics. With the hiring of a new Authority webmaster in August, work can proceed on the design and implementation of new the web data presentation and analysis functionality planned in this project.

C. Juvenile Justice Data Coordination Partnership

Staff has been invited to participate on several working groups related to effective juvenile justice data collection. These include all members of the five juvenile initiatives currently in place in several counties across Illinois: 1) DMC, 2) Redeploy, 3) IJDAI, 4) Models for Change, and 5) BARJ.

Data repository template. During discussions at meetings, it was determined that a data template, or a standardized local criminal justice data and risk factor analysis and graphical presentation tool, is needed in order to help local practitioners better understand the communities in which they work in and the people with whom they work. As a result of numerous calls for technical assistance regarding proper data analysis as well as discussions within the various initiatives, it was determined that a uniform data template was something those participating in initiatives would benefit from.

During the last quarter the data template was developed by R&A staff with assistance from staff through the Juvenile Justice Initiative and presented to the Pathways partners group and the Models for Change/DMC committee. Feedback was provided by both groups and as a result, a few changes were made. In addition, staff was asked to present this data collection and presentation tool at the Redeploy Illinois all sites meeting in Springfield on June 8, 2009 in order to “test” the template with those who will be using it. Staff from the Illinois Department of Human Services has volunteered trainers to facilitate distribution and training on the data template once it is approved. Authority staff will assist in developing on-line training modules using Adobe Connect software to assist in this state-wide training effort. By the time this template is in wide use, over a third of the state will be using this tool for consistent data collection methods. The ultimate goal is to have it implemented statewide.

D. Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice recidivism study

Staff is currently working on a proposal to complete a research study on recidivism for juveniles admitted to the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice. This study, to be completed under the contractual agreement with the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission and the Illinois Department of Human Services, will employ survival analysis techniques to examine the time between release from IDJJ custody and occurrences of recidivism. Recidivism will be measured both through readmission

to correctional custody (derived from IDJJ and IDOC admissions data) and through re-arrest (derived from criminal history record information). Recidivism will be compared across various demographic and offense-type subgroups.

E. County Profiles

Staff has begun work on some of the most popular Authority publications, *Profiles in County Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems*, which present the most recent crime and risk factor data for each county, along with statewide and regional comparisons. A detailed outline of contents has been prepared, along with a data template that will be used to generate standard profiles for all 102 counties. Once the 2008 Illinois Crime Reporting program statistics are released by the State Police, the first profiles will go into production. It is anticipated that all county profiles will be published by the end of the year.

F. Implementing Restorative Justice: A Guide for Schools

This is a final guide a series of eight BARJ implementation guides. ICJIA staff created this series of BARJ implementation guides to provide profession-specific information on how the BARJ philosophy can be used across the juvenile justice system. The guide is specifically designed to provide Illinois school personnel and families with practical strategies to use BARJ in their daily activities. School districts in Illinois have been incorporating the BARJ philosophy and BARJ programs into their discipline codes. BARJ has also been implemented in schools in Illinois through peer juries, peer mediation, and circles. In particular, the Chicago Public Schools have implemented peer juries the majority of its high schools. Staff have drafted the guide and it is in final review. The guide will be published in September/October 2009.

G. BARJ and Schools seminars

R&A has received a JABG grant to plan and implement a series of three BARJ trainings for school administrators, social workers and teachers. These seminars will be held in conjunction with the release of the latest BARJ implementation guide- BARJ and Schools. Similar BARJ seminars sponsored by ICJIA in the past have been very well received and had waiting lists to attend. The seminars will be held in three locations across the state, northern, central, and southern during fall 2009. Seminar facilitators will be chosen from professionals who are experts on how to incorporate BARJ into schools in Illinois. Seminars will be held in Mount Vernon on October 2, Peoria on October 9, and Matteson on October 15. We expect to have 90 participants at each location.

H. Elder Abuse Collaboration Project evaluation

Supported by a grant from the federal government, staff is conducting a process evaluation of a project aimed at coordinating responses to elder abuse among service providers, law enforcement and the courts. Participants include Metropolitan Family Service (an elder abuse service provider), the Chicago Police Department, and the Office of Public Guardian, among others. The goal of the

program is to provide a coordinated response ensuring that victims receive needed services while abusers are held accountable in the criminal justice system.

I. Juvenile justice system and risk factor data: 2007 Annual Report

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, the 2007 Annual Report, a compilation of county-level juvenile justice system and risk factor data, is complete. Like the 2006 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.

The report is completed and currently under review and the final report is expected to be available by early fall 2009.

J. Juvenile Justice Information Request database

Staff completed a database to track juvenile justice system information requests from agencies, legislators, and the public. This database will help the Authority determine what information is requested, what it is used for, and how it can be made more available through our website.

K. Get the Facts

Staff are working to update existing and create new “Get the Facts” publications. These popular publications explain processes and components of the Illinois criminal and juvenile justice systems, and have not been updated since 2000. Topic areas of the publications include: victims’ rights; the court system; criminal sentencing; juvenile sentencing; the juvenile court system; juvenile pre-trial; juvenile corrections; adult pre-trial; adults arrests; juvenile arrests; criminal records; and adult corrections. A new template for the publication is in the process of being finalized by the Office of Public Information.

II. CURRENT PROJECTS

A. Program evaluation and research projects/ internally funded

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

1. Safety Net Works – Implementation Evaluation

Authority staff has been evaluating the implementation of the Safety Net Works Initiative, a violence prevention and youth development program taking place across 14 community areas (previously 17)

in Illinois. 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; and to inform and guide similar undertakings. Sources of data for the evaluation include surveys, interviews, meeting observations, and implementation and progress reports submitted by the sites.

The implementation evaluation is focusing on 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 and change since the beginning of the initiative. Each of the 14 sites is being evaluated on their program setup, collaboration, and service delivery to the target population.

Authority staff has contributed community area profiles for each of the community areas that the sites are located in. These community profiles provide data on demographic, economic, housing, substance abuse, health, child assistance, and crime indicators collected from several city, state, non-profit, and academic organizations. Safety Net Works sites will be able to use the profiles to assist in strategic planning and program implementation. An online and print survey has been implemented and results are currently being analyzed and provided to each coalition to highlight potential areas for improvement. The survey primarily addresses the perceptions of collaboration and communication of coalition members and service provision. Authority staff has also been providing interim program reports, with information on coalition membership, services available, meetings, trainings, and outreach for each site to the program monitor. An interview procedure and questionnaire has been approved by the Authority's internal review board and interviews are expected to begin in late August or early September. Survey and interview results will also be discussed with the program manager to provide feedback to the Safety Net Works sites. Technical assistance has also been provided to the Safety Net Works project manager regarding revisions to a reporting form and the integration of reporting forms with a database to simplify data collection and analysis. Preliminary evaluation findings are expected to be presented at the 2009 JRSA conference in St. Louis.

2. Go To 2040 Regional Comprehensive Planning Initiative

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) initiated a comprehensive, long-range planning project for the Chicago region (Cook, DuPage, Kane Will, Kendall, Lake and McHenry counties) entitled *Go To 2040*. With resources made available by the Chicago Community Trust, this planning process was enlarged to include multiple domains related to quality of life in the region, including education, health, workforce development, arts and culture, food security, human relations and public safety. The Authority, in partnership with the University of Illinois Chicago (UIC) Criminal Justice Department, was selected to provide leadership in the area of crime and justice within the public safety sphere. As lead agency, Authority staff is expected to identify indicators, report on existing conditions, make recommendations for action in the area of crime and justice, and with guidance from an Advisory Committee, produce a report that will:

a) state the present condition of the issue examined;

- b) identify challenges and opportunities;
- c) set targets for 2040;
- d) identify strategies and their impact for the region;
- e) identify federal, state and local policies and resources critical to the success of the region; and
- f) identify all organizations working on the issue and other resources relevant to the issue.

During the last quarter, the final report was submitted to CMAP and published on the Authority's website. The report is part of an overall strategy by CMAP to recommend future directions for development growth and investment decisions in the seven-county region. Later this fall, the CMAP Board of Directors is expected to endorse a "preferred" scenario synthesized from the ideas that emerged from the project. The Chicago Community Trust will also use the recommendations to inform their future grant funding opportunities.

3. Illinois College Campus Crime and Safety Report

Staff is working on a report that compares three sources of Illinois college campus crime data: 1) Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting program, 2) on-line Clery Act safety reports published by each college, and 3) Clery Act data submitted annually by Illinois colleges to the US Department of Education, Office of Post-Secondary Education. The report includes information on trends regarding violent and property offenses, as well as arrests and school disciplinary referrals for alcohol, drug, and weapons violations, for the period 2001 through 2007. Triangulation of the three data sources will provide a richer picture of the issue of crime and safety within college communities. The report is slated for completion by October.

4. Employment Trends of Felony Probationers in collaboration with Harvard University

The purpose of this joint research project is to promote research on the employment participation and performance of those sentenced to terms of felony probation and imprisonment in Illinois. By combining labor market information derived from the unemployment insurance (UI) system of Illinois with criminal history record information (CHRI) for Illinois, the project will allow for detailed analysis of the relationship between criminal justice sanctions, labor market performance, and criminal recidivism.

ICJIA and Harvard have signed a data use agreement with the IDES. ICJIA will match and disseminate the data to Harvard University for analysis. The employment data set was received from IDES in mid-May. The data was disseminated from ICJIA to Harvard for the study. ICJIA will await the final report and then will write a summary research bulletin.

5. Juvenile Female Offenders Research Report

Staff completed a research report on girls in the Illinois juvenile justice system. The report summarizes risk factor data on juvenile females in Illinois, as well as analyzes juvenile justice system data on arrests, detention, corrections. The preliminary findings of the report indicate that juvenile females' involvement in the in Illinois juvenile justice system is more likely to be for less serious

offenses than males'. Girls arrests, admissions to detention, and commitments to corrections were more likely to be for misdemeanor offenses, status offenses, battery, and retail theft. The report was published in May 2009.

6. Trends and Issues

Trends and Issues 2008 is a report about crime and justice in Illinois. This report is an update to previous *Trends and Issues 1997* 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.

The primary distribution format for the *Trends and Issues 2008* report is via the Authority's website www.icjia.state.il.us. Table 1 below shows the total number of downloads for the full report or individual chapters from May 2009 through July 2009, as well as the cumulative total since the report's publication in May, 2008.

Table 1. *Trends and Issues 2008* Report Downloads from the Authority Website, November 2008 through January, 2009

CHAPTER SECTIONS	Total Downloads May, 2009 through July, 2009	Cumulative Downloads since publication in May, 2008
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Full Report	387	5,228
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - Foreword	38	423
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - Executive summary	118	4,801
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - Overview	99	586
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - Introduction	152	806
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - Law Enforcement	1,180	6,157
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - The courts	218	1,305
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - Corrections	1,371	7,116
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - Juvenile justice	3,254	13,648
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - Crime victims	347	3,262
<i>Trends & Issues 2008</i> Chapter - Conclusion	73	556

Almost 44,000 copies of the full report or individual chapters have been downloaded since its publication in May 2008. There is particular interest in information on Illinois' juvenile justice system.

7. Trends and Issues Updates

Trends & Issues Update reports are being drafted to highlight specific topics introduced in the main document include: drug crime trends in Illinois and nationally; trends in violent crime; and trends in offenses against school personnel. These are scheduled for publication later in 2009.

8. 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 and is under the direction of Dr. David Olson of Loyola. 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 2007 report has been updated with 2008 data and is currently under review. Findings indicate that as a result of the treatment services and aftercare received, those inmates released from Sheridan had a 20 percent lower likelihood of being returned to prison after three years in the community than a statistically similar comparison group released from Illinois' prisons during the same time period. The largest reductions in recidivism – both in terms of rearrest and return to prison—were evident among those Sheridan releasees who successfully completed aftercare treatment. The final report will be available on the website in September 2009.

Dr. Olson is continuing the evaluation of the Sheridan program, as well as assessing the drug treatment therapeutic community operating at the Southwestern Illinois Correctional Center. This continued research began in October 2008 and will continue through March 2010.

9. 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 was submitted in August 2009 and is currently under review. The report addresses whether the program reduced recidivism, and assisted the women in obtaining employment, housing, food and childcare. The study also focused on the third service provider that the program enlisted. Findings show that those in the program are more likely to receive services and referrals, including mental health services and employment services. While there were little differences in some outcome aspects between the women in the program and a control group, those in the program were less likely to have had a violation of probation filed or have their probation revoked. The final report will be made available on the website in the fall of 2009.

10. Jail Data Link

In May 2007, evaluators at the University of Illinois – Springfield began an evaluation of the Jail Data Link (JDL) 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. A draft final report was submitted in February 2009 and revisions and additional analysis on recidivism were conducted. While there were no differences in recidivism rates between JDL participants and non-JDL, there were a number of positive findings regarding the implementation and operation of program. The report is now available on the website.

11. Capital Punishment Reform Study Committee

Loyola University Chicago was selected to continue research and conduct a survey regarding capital punishment in Illinois for the Capital Punishment Reform Study Committee. Work on this project began in October 2008.

12. Investigator Initiated Research

Projects funded under an Investigator-initiated RFP address research in our priority areas of interest. Reviewers elected to fund the following projects in 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 has concluded and a final report is under review.

- *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 September 2009.

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 examined 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 also looked at reported campus crime rates from the Cleary Act. The 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 final report was received and is available on our website.
- *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 currently under review and a presentation of findings is scheduled for August 25.
- *Methamphetamine and Violence* – Conducted by Illinois State University, this study conducted in-depth interviews with methamphetamine users from downstate Illinois and a select group of law enforcement and other officials to determine the extent to which methamphetamine and violence are associated, and to better understand the nature of that association. The research provides a 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 final report was placed on the website in May 2009.
- *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 final report was placed on the website in July 2009.

An additional RFP was released in 2009 and the following projects were funded:

- *Safer Return Demonstration: A Research-Based Community Reentry Initiative – An Examination of the Family-Inclusive Case Management Service Component* - Conducted by the Urban Institute this project will provide an implementation and impact evaluation of the family-inclusive case management component of the Safer Return offender reentry initiative. Stemming from a larger evaluation of the reentry initiative, this study will focus on whether and to what extent the family-inclusive case management benefits offenders returning back to the community and their family and social support networks. Individual and family-level outcomes will be assessed. The project term is June 2009 thru May 2010.
- *Assessing Views of Critical Incident Prevention and Response* – Conducted by Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, this project will determine the attitudes and perceptions of students regarding campus safety initiatives and campus preparedness for critical incidents. The study will conduct surveys of students in six Illinois campuses regarding the perceived likelihood of an incident occurring, fear of incidents and past exposure to types of incidents or offenses. A meeting was held in August to discuss the methodology and survey design. The project term is June 2009 through May 2010.

An additional Investigator Initiated Research RFP in the amount of \$150,000 will be issued in September 2009. Projects will begin in the fall of 2009.

13. Mental Health Courts in Illinois

An RFP was released in July 2009 for the study of mental health courts in Illinois. The RFP is soliciting proposals for the assessment and evaluation of the currently operating mental health courts in Illinois, with a more detailed outcome/impact assessment of two Illinois courts. Proposals are due in August and the study will begin in September.

B. Program evaluation and research projects/ externally funded

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. 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. 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.

Staff obtained a random sample of female inmates (stratified by the facility). Respondents were paid a \$10 stipend. Each interview lasted approximately 30 minutes. Staff have interviewed almost 200 women located in three IDOC institutions – Dwight, Decatur, and Lincoln.

The IRB approved the initial application in June 2008. After lengthy negotiations with Authority legal counsel, IDOC legal counsel, and the IRB on the language in the consent form, the project restarted in January 2009. Staff finished the interviews and reviewing prison case files in June 2009. Staff are completing data analysis and writing the findings in a final report. A draft of the report should be completed by late Summer/early Fall.

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

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, the 2006 Annual Report, a compilation of county-level juvenile justice system and risk factor data, is complete. 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. The final report was completed in August 2009.

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

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, staff is currently working on a report of the results of 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 were gathered through a survey of all juvenile detention centers, juvenile probation and court service offices, juvenile correctional facilities, and the Juvenile Officers Association. The survey received a 51 percent response rate. 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.

Results have been collected and analyzed. Staff is currently working on a draft of the report to be submitted for review in August 2009.

4. Redeploy Illinois County Profiles

The Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board requested county profiles providing detention and corrections information for sites that are operational, as well as 15 additional potential sites. These profiles were presented at the September Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board meeting and distributed to the counties.

The data in the profiles are being updated and final updated reports should be available on the Authority website in Fall 2009.

5. 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. All three waves of data collection (years 2002, 2005 and 2006) have been completed in all six participating counties: Lake, DuPage, Adams, Cook, Sangamon and the 2nd Judicial Circuit. Data analysis is currently being conducted and work on a draft final report has begun. An initial meeting to go over data analysis and findings and to discuss strategies for on-going data collection and analysis was held.

6. Domestic Sex Trafficking of Chicago Women and Girls

The DePaul College of Law Schiller Du Canto & Fleck Law Center collaborated with Authority staff 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 to gain information about recruitment and violence by pimps in local sex trafficking. The final report has been posted on the ICJIA website.

The authors wrote a paper, *Pimp Control and Violence: Domestic Sex Trafficking of Chicago Women and Girls*, which has been tentatively accepted to appear in *Women & Criminal Justice's* special issue: *Trafficking of Women and Girls: Laws, Theories, Challenges and Impacts*. The special issue will be Vol 20 (1) January 2010. Staff received peer review comments and must submit the final manuscript by the end of September.

C. Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Audit

The unit's Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Audit Center is a Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) 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.

Staff shortages continue to hamper efforts to develop a feasible 2010 CHRI Audit methodology. Court disposition reporting accuracy and completeness is the ideal topic for investigation, particularly in light of the request for historic data from the U.S. Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJS) regarding arrests and court disposition data as it applies to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) Improvement Act of 2007. It is hoped that additional audit staff can be hired in the next few months to begin such an audit.

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 1990-2007 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, several CHRI User Agreement were forwarded to the Illinois State Police for initial processing, including those received from the Disproportionate Justice Impact Study (DJIS) Commission, Carnegie-Mellon University, TASC, Inc, University of Colorado, and the DuPage Drug Court Administrator. Since the inception of the CHRI Ad Hoc Connection Partnership, a total of thirty-six 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. Technical assistance on CHRI data interpretation and data manipulation was also provided to several researchers who received data in previously, including the Urban Institute, Carnegie-Mellon University and the Disproportionate Justice Impact Study (DJIS) Commission.

Information requests answered using CHRI data. During the last quarter, all non-expunged arrests and associated arrest charges and court dispositions from 1999-2008 were loaded into a new SQL

Server database to provide an immediate querying capability for these arrests, dispositions, and charges covering the entire ten year period. In combination with CHRI data already stored in SPSS files, these data were used to answer several media requests for criminal justice statistics. This new capability will be used during the next quarter to analyze drug arrests in Illinois, as part of the *Trends & Issues Update – Focus on Drugs* report.

D. Chicago Homicide Dataset Update Project

The Chicago Homicide Dataset (CHD) 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. CHD data from 1965 to 1995, with all victim identifiers and addresses removed, is archived with the Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) at University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. Staff are currently cleaning the entire dataset from 1965 to 2000, and creating three linked CHD datasets – victim-level, incident-level and offender-level.

During this quarter, discussions were continued with Chicago Police Department’s Research and Development Division to resume the collaborative process of collecting and maintaining the CHD, adding years since 2000, and updating 1965-2000 data for cases that have been cleared since the last data collection effort. It was made clear by the research experience of using CPD incident case reports for the NIOSH study, that any update of the CHD will be very labor intensive, as the detailed case-level information on homicides required in this project are not available electronically from CPD data systems.

Staff continues to collaborate with selected researchers on projects involving use of the Chicago Homicide Dataset. Recently, staff presented a paper on “Strangulation” to the Homicide Research Working Group in June.

Staff continues to update the bibliography of over 100 publications and presentations in which the research actually used the Chicago Homicide Dataset. Additions since the last Quarterly Report are the following:

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The current goal of the CWHRs project is 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 209 members, most of them practitioners or researchers in the field. The CWHRs Forum also 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.

Recently, staff presented the keynote address at a Femicide conference in November for professionals and practitioners, co-sponsored by John Jay College of Criminal Justice and the largest provider of DV support in New York City. Over 300 people attended, and many of them have asked to join the CWHRS Forum to gather more information they can use as helping professionals. In addition, staff presented the keynote address at the International Conference on Homicide, sponsored by the Australian Institute of Criminology, on key risk factors for death in intimate partner violence. The address was entitled, "Reducing intimate-partner homicide rates: What are the risk factors when a woman is being abused?"

Claire Renzetti featured the CWHRS Forum in a podcast for VAW on April 14.

During the last quarter, staff worked on adapting Web Forum software for use in hosting the popular Chicago Women's Health Risk Study Forum, a discussion and information-sharing site for people interested in reducing levels of death and serious injury from intimate partner violence. Forum members are trying to apply findings from the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study (CWHRS) and similar research to practical situations in the field.

Staff continues to update the bibliography of publications and presentations in which the research used the CWHRS data. Additions to the bibliography since the last Quarterly Report are the following:

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III. ONGOING ACTIVITIES

A. Briefings/Presentations

Since the last Authority update for the June 2009 meeting, R&A staff made presentations at, and/or attended the following professional meetings:

- Staff attended a meeting with the Illinois Department of Corrections regarding the creation of trainings on human trafficking for parole agents on May 20, 2009.
- Staff attended the Chicago Public School's annual Peer Jury awards and conference on May 21.
- On May 22, the research director attended a meeting of the Collaborative on Reentry - Juvenile Reentry Workgroup in Chicago.
- Staff met with Roosevelt University staff on May 26 to discuss House Bill 2474, Task Force on Inventorying Employment Restrictions Act.
- Staff attended Models for Change research conference on May 27.
- On June 2, staff met with representatives from Models for Change, the Youth Network Council, and Juvenile Justice Initiative to give feedback on a juvenile data template that was created.
- On June 4, staff attended the conference, *Lessons Learned: Innovative Approaches to Mental health Courts and Related Services*, in Glen Ellyn, IL.
- On June 8, Staff met in Springfield to attend an all-sites Redeploy Illinois meeting. Staff distributed a juvenile justice data template they developed, showed users how it works, and asked Redeploy sites to "test it" and provide feedback at a later time.
- On June 9, Staff met with officials from the University of Chicago's Crime Lab at the Authority's offices to learn about their work studying gun violence among school-age youth in Chicago.
- Staff presented data and research to the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission on June 11 at their annual planning retreat in Zion, Illinois.
- Staff attended a Pathways meeting June 12 in Bloomington to update the group on the juvenile justice data template, work on a plan for distribution across all sites involved in initiatives, and discuss training.

- Staff met on June 12 at the Authority's offices with Dr. Lombardo of Loyola University to discuss a possible research project involving analysis of Chicago homicide clearance data.
- Staff attended the Safety Net Works Executive Steering Committee meeting on June 12 in Chicago to discuss continuation funding for selected project sites.
- The research director attended the Collaborative on Offender Reentry meeting in Chicago on June 15.
- Staff attended the Children's Mental Health Partnership – Juvenile Justice Subcommittee meeting on June 16.
- Staff attended a meeting of the Illinois Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency on June 18 in Chicago.
- Staff participated in a meeting with Parole services and the Planning and Research Unit at the Illinois Department of Corrections to discuss possible research collaborations on June 18.
- Staff attended the Redeploy Illinois meeting on June 19 in Chicago and participated in discussions about the possible termination of the Redeploy Illinois program due to proposed cuts in the state budget.
- Staff met with Illinois Department of Corrections/Research Division and IDOC Parole Division (separately) to obtain updated corrections data needed for several R&A initiatives. Staff met with officials from the Parole Division on June 18 in Chicago to discuss a collaborative arrangement for the Authority to access parole case-level data and provide analysis of that data to profile the Illinois parolee population for IDOC officials, and perhaps later conduct parole program evaluation support. Staff met with Research Division on June 23 in Chicago staff to obtain updated juvenile admissions (IDJJ) and exits data.
- Staff attended a meeting with Dr. Doug Thompson, Chicago State University professor, regarding research projects/collaboration on June 25.
- Staff met with Ida Anger from Metropolitan Family Services on June 29 in Chicago to discuss evaluation of a multiagency elder abuse response team.
- Staff met with Illinois State Police officials on June 30 in Chicago to discuss future directions for the state's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.
- Staff presented a paper entitled "Cause of Death: Strangulation" at the Homicide Research Working Group intensive workshop in June.
- R&A staff met with FSGU staff the week of July 6 to discuss conducting an evaluation of the VAWA-supported Multi-Disciplinary Response Teams addressing sexual assault (Kankakee County) and domestic violence (McLean, St. Clair, and Peoria counties).
- Staff attended the Collaborative on Reentry Juvenile Reentry Workgroup briefing with the superintendent of the Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center and the Executive Director of the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice on July 7 in Chicago.
- The Research Director and Executive Director met with the Illinois State Police on July 8 in Chicago to discuss future directions for the state's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.
- Staff attended Models for Change, Data Committee meetings on July 14 in Chicago.
- Staff presented statistical information on the juvenile justice system to the Juvenile Justice Initiative annual board meeting on July 16.
- Staff attended a PROMISE (Partnership to Rescue our Minors from Sexual Exploitation) task force meeting on July 17.

- Staff participated in a conference call with the Illinois Mental Health Court Association on July 21 to discuss the RFP that we plan to issue this week regarding the study of mental health courts in Illinois.
- The research director, staff, and the executive director are meeting with officials from the Illinois Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty on July 22 in Chicago to discuss the Authority's role in an analysis of costs associated with the death penalty.
- Staff toured the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice facility, Illinois Youth Center- St. Charles, on July 23, 2009.
- Staff attended a Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board meeting in Chicago on July 24.
- The research director and executive director attended a meeting with the Justice Research and Statistics Association and U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics on July 29 in Washington, DC to discuss Illinois' role in the future collection of crime victimization data.
- Staff attended meetings with Planning and Research at the Illinois Department of Corrections on August 3.
- Staff attended the Children's Mental Health Partnership Juvenile Justice subcommittee meeting on Tuesday August 4th.
- Staff attended a meeting with Jody Raphael, Senior Research Fellow, DePaul University School of Law, regarding journal article revisions on August 4, 2009.
- Staff attended Models for Change, Data Committee meetings on August 11 in Chicago.
- Staff participated in a Pathways conference call on August 12 to discuss the implication of the state budget on juvenile justice.
- On August 12, staff attended the Multidisciplinary Team on Elder Abuse program meeting to discuss the evaluation.
- The research director provided a presentation on Cook County public safety issues, and participated on a panel on public education for the University of Illinois Extension at their staff retreat on August 13 in Chicago.
- On August 13th, staff held a meeting with researchers from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale to discuss the survey and preliminary research plan for the Student Perceptions of Campus Critical Incident Planning study.
- Staff participated in an August 19 meeting regarding the Elder Abuse Coordinated Response program that the Authority is supporting. The meeting will be held at Metropolitan Family Services on Dearborn.
- Staff attended Congressman Danny Davis' "State of the District" (7th Congressional District) meeting on August 22nd, at Malcolm X Community College.
- A presentation on the utilization of shelter by domestic violence victims was presented by Loyola University researchers for Authority staff and others on August 25.

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 .

Many requests continue to come from government agencies (38 percent) and private citizens (32 percent). Other requests come from private agencies, researchers, students, news media representatives, legislators and prison inmates. Sixteen percent of the requests originate in the Chicago metropolitan area, and another 25 percent originate in other parts of the state. All other requests for information were received from other states, outside the United States, or unknown origin.

R&A published five research reports from staff and external researchers under contract to conduct research projects for the Authority during the fourth quarter of SFY 09 (April-June, 2009). The titles are listed in Appendix A. The volume of web users has remained at high levels. During this time period, there were 2,038,156 "hits" on our website and more than 80,000 visitors that remained on the site for a period of time. There were 319,293 downloads of information or publications, a ten percent increase over the last quarter (*Table 2*). The website continues to be a valuable resource for our constituents.

Acquiring/updating/documenting dataset holdings

During the last quarter, staff continued to inventory and update core datasets data on all criminal justice and risk factor topics, in order to produce the CJ DataNet JUST THE FACTS web pages. Staff also began work on a comprehensive inventory and examination of sources of drug statistics and information, at the state, national, and international levels. This will result in several publications, including a *Trends & Issues Update*, and a report on drug data availability from various perspectives, spanning from surveys of drug usage in the general population to federal prosecution in Illinois of high level drug traffickers. Gaps in knowledge will be highlighted, to inform future funding for data collection systems. Staff is also working with research staff within the Illinois Department of Corrections to receive updated juvenile and adult admissions, release and parole data.

C. FSGU Support Efforts

Several R&A staff work in a partnership with the Authority's Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU) to provide statistical technical assistance. Currently, R&A staff are working with FSGU to draft a protocol outlining staff roles. The protocol outlines the following purposes of the partnership:

- Help FSGU report statistical information to ICJIA boards and the public.
- Help guide decisions to best spend limited federal funding.
- Help ensure ICJIA collects and reports reliable statistics on grantees.
- Help hold grantees accountable for ICJIA administered federal funds.
- Help ensure ICJIA meets federal and auditor requirements.

Upon request, R&A staff review grant data reports, grant proposals, and data report forms; create grantee program profiles; report at FSGU grant meetings; participate in conferences; offer statistical information through presentations; attends relevant trainings; and create and update grant-related databases. R&A staff continued to work with FSGU staff responsible for the VAWA, VOCA, JABG,

MVTPC, and MEG/TF funds. In addition, R&A staff assume responsibility for the computerization of some program performance for many grants.

During the last quarter:

- Staff launched 6 web-based online application forms for Federal Grants Programs that are administrated by the Federal State Grants Unit:
 1. ICJIA RFP Law enforcement equipment grant for FFY05 and FFY06 Justice Assistance Grants Program application.
 2. ICJIA RFP FFY2006 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant application.
 3. ICJIA RFP American Recovery and Reinvestment Act S*T*O*P (Services Training Officers Prosecutors) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Training Program application.
 4. ICJIA RFP American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Justice Assistance Police Equipment Grants application.
 5. ICJIA RFP American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Justice Assistance Grants Programs application.
 6. ICJIA RFP American Recovery and Reinvestment Act S*T*O*P (Services Training Officers Prosecutors) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program Specialized Law Enforcement/Prosecution/Probation/Victim Service Personnel Program application.

Staff is currently developing one other web-based online application form for a federal Grants Program administrated by the Federal State Grants Unit:

1. ICJIA RFP American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program Planning, evaluation and technology application.

D. Technical Assistance

- Staff worked with the various Juvenile Justice Initiatives (JDAI, Redeploy, Models for Change) to develop a data template and resource tool, for producing data reports on program participants and outcomes. Discussions are also being held with the developers of the JWATCH Data Collection Application currently in use in the 2nd Judicial Circuit to add this data template as a standard feature in that system.
- Staff assisted at the Chicago Public Schools Peer Jury Recognition Event at Northwestern Law School.
- Staff received a request for three maps showing foreclosure rates for 2006, 2007, and 2008
- Staff analyzed detention data from Peoria County to determine the types of crimes for which youth are being detained, at the request of the Peoria County Chief Probation Officer.
- Staff summarized evaluation results for the PROMISE (Partnership to Rescue our Minors from Sexual Exploitation) task force from the training, “A Clinician’s Guide to Understanding, Identifying, and Responding to the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children,” held on July 15, 2009.

- Staff provided IDHS with technical assistance on integrating a reporting form in pdf format into a Microsoft Access database to eliminate manual entry of records.
- Staff assisted Howard Snyder of the Bureau of Justice Statistics in the analysis of arson homicide incidents.
- Staff assisted Todd Shackelford and Emily Miner in their analysis of stepchildren as a risk factor, using the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study data.
- Staff assisted Rachel Bandy, Assistant Professor of Sociology & Criminal Justice at Simpson College, with a bibliography on the connection between victimization and offending.
- Staff reviewed articles submitted for publication to *Criminal Justice Review*, *Justice, Research and Policy*, *Homicide Studies* and *Feminist Criminology*.
- Staff assisted Karin Rhodes, Director, Division of Emergency Care Policy & Research, Department Of Emergency Medicine, University of Pennsylvania Hospitals, in using the SSN (Social Support Network) scale developed by the CWHRs,

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:

- 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.
- 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.
- Those killed by any use of force by law enforcement officers prior to booking
- People who died at a crime/arrest scene or medical facility prior to booking.
- Deaths occurring in transit to or from law enforcement facilities.
- 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 2008 was submitted to BJS in July of 2009, and data for 2009 will be collected pending receipt of the revised reporting form from BJS. BJS utilizes the data to produce reports of arrest fatalities in the United States, with updates planned as states submit data. The last report, Arrest-Related Deaths in the United States, 2003-2006, was released in July 2009.

As part of the SJS grant received from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics, a new DICRA web page will be designed to facilitate reporting from law enforcement agencies, and a survey will be developed to determine a more efficient way to identify appropriate cases and collect medical examiner data on these incidents, including cause of death.

F. Web-based applications

1. Webboard

Webboard is an integrated discussion boards, online conferencing, it is also for online classes, providing threaded discussions, chat and the ability to post and download data, this message board tool allows valuable ideas and comments to be shared and stored.

Staff is currently developing the launch of a redesigned WebBoard Chicago Women's Health Risk Study (CWHRS) Forum. The CWHRS Forum is a discussion and information-sharing site for people interested in reducing levels of death and serious injury from intimate partner violence. Forum members are trying to apply findings from the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study (CWHRS) and similar research to practical situations in the field. The WebBoard CWHRS Forum can be viewed at <http://webboard.icjia.org/WB/default.aspx?boardid=CWHRS>

Staff is currently developing the WebBoard INFONET Forum. The InfoNet (information network) is a web-based data collection system used by victim service providers in Illinois. The development and implementation of the system was a collaborative effort between the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, the Illinois Coalition against Sexual Assault (ICASA) and the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV). The WebBoard INFONET Forum can be viewed at <http://webboard.icjia.org/WB/default.aspx?boardid=INFONET>

Staff is also developing the WebBoard CJ ACADEMIC Forum. The CJ ACADEMIC Forum will be a discussion and information-sharing site which will enable the Research and Analysis Unit to communicate with the academic community on criminal justice research issues and topics that practitioners and others can use in their work within Illinois and from the national perspective. The WebBoard CJ ACADEMIC Forum can be viewed at <http://webboard.icjia.org/WB/default.aspx?boardid=CJACADEMIC>

2. Adobe Acrobat Connect

Adobe Acrobat Connect is software used to create information and general presentations, online training materials, web conferencing, learning modules, and user desktop sharing applications.

Staff is currently developing INFONET User Training using this software, as well as developing other Research and Analysis Unit and other agency on-line applications.

3. SurveyGizmo

SurveyGizmo is an online survey software solution that provides a variety of features to help in conducting a multitude of tasks including advanced market research, quick polling and quizzing, embedding forms into websites.

Staff has developed a web-based online application form for the law enforcement equipment grant for FFY05 and FFY06 Justice Assistance Grants Program which is administrated by the Federal State Grants Unit. See FSGU Support Efforts (above) for more detail.

Staff has developed a web-based online application form for websites visitors to provide feedback, comments, or suggestions about our website. The web-based online application form can be viewed at

<http://www.icjia.state.il.us/public/index.cfm?metasection=forms&metapage=Comments>

4. Website Enhancements

Staff is currently developing a new INFONET Website in order provide INFONET Users with access to: Security Software (SmartPass) Information, Tech Support, FAQs, Training Calendar, Training Manuals, Service Definitions, INFONET Data Collections Forms, User Groups information, listing of INFONET User Agencies, an INFONET Publications Section, and setting up a INFONET EMAIL Distribution Lists for the Child Advocacy Centers, Domestic Violence Centers, and Sexual Assault Centers. The website is currently under construction at

<http://www.icjia.state.il.us/infonets>

Staff is currently developing a new redesign of Criminal Justice DataNet Website to enhance web access and on-line presentation formats of the Authority's holdings of criminal justice and social risk factor data. The website is currently under construction at

<http://www.icjia.state.il.us/cjdatanet>

Staff is currently developing a new Grants Website to enhance web access and to assist grantees quickly locate information about criminal justice related grants and grant programs administrated by the Federal State Grants Unit. The website is currently under construction at

<http://www.icjia.state.il.us/grants>

Staff is currently developing a new redesign of the Illinois Integrated Justice Information System (IJIS) Website to enhance web access to further the mission of the IJIS Implementation Board. IJIS is an intergovernmental effort dedicated to improving the administration of justice in Illinois by facilitating the electronic sharing of justice information throughout the state. It is a collaborative effort charged with enhancing public safety by making complete, accurate, and timely offender-based information available to all justice decision makers.

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.

V. CONTINUING STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

- On June 16-17, staff completed Interview and Selection Criteria and Techniques (Rutan) training in Springfield.

Internship program.

During a six week period in June and July, the Authority hosted four Chicago Public High School student interns, as part of the 2009 Youth Ready Chicago summer program coordinated by Chicago Public Schools Department of College and Career Preparation. Under the direct supervision of a senior staff member in the Research and Analysis Unit, interns performed a variety of information functions relating to critical issues facing the Illinois criminal justice system. They assisted with the IJIS Survey and developed facts on the dangers of methamphetamine abuse and the severity of the meth problem in the states surrounding Illinois (Indiana, Wisconsin, Iowa, Missouri and Michigan).

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Appendix A – Most recent publications

RESEARCH REPORTS

Final Report of the Go To 2040 Crime and Justice Planning Initiative (July 2009)

Final Report: The Impact of Illinois Truth-in-Sentencing Law on Sentence Lengths, Time to Serve and Disciplinary Incidents of Convicted Murderers and Sex Offenders
(June 2009)

Methamphetamine and Violence in Illinois
(June 2009)

Examining at risk and delinquent girls in Illinois
(June 2009)

Evaluation of the Jail Data Line Program
(May 2009)

Appendix B – Information Request Handling Statistics

May 1, 2009 to July 31, 2009

ITEM	REQUESTS/Pct
Information requests handled:	63
Monthly average number of requests:	21
Geographic Origin of requesters:	
Chicago metropolitan area	16%
Other region of Illinois	25%
U.S. other than Illinois	27%
Outside the U.S.	6%
Unknown	25%
Type of requester:	
Government agency	38%
Private agency	16%
Researcher	3%
Student	6%
Citizen	32%
Media	3%
Legislators	0%
Inmates	2%
Method of request:	
Telephone/fax	24%
Mail	2%
Email/Internet	0%
In-person	0%
ICJIA Website	75%
Publications disseminated:	
Mailed in response to requests	0
Downloaded from Website	319,293
Total	319,356

Appendix C – Authority Website Trends

www.icjia.state.il.us

May 1, 2009 to July 31, 2009

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		
May-09	674,556	21,759	65,215	2,103	33	27,698	24,266	3,432	108,482	2,776
June-09	635,272	21,175	68,824	2,294	32	25,400	22,281	3,119	101,451	2,791
July-09	728,328	23,494	76,478	2,467	33	27,714	24,065	3,649	109,360	2,799
TOTAL	2,038,156	66,428	210,517	5,711	109	80,812	70,612	10,200	319,293	
MONTHLY AVERAGE	679,385		70,172			26,937	23,537	3,400	106,431	



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Memorandum

To: Authority Board Members
From: Cristin Monti Evans, Public Information Officer
Date: September 1, 2009
Re: Office of Public Information Report for the Sept. 11, 2009,
Authority Meeting

The Office of Public Information (OPI) designs, edits, and publishes the Authority's written materials, including press releases, the agency's annual report, *The Compiler*, and other publications such as *Research Reports*, *Research Bulletins*, and *Program Evaluation Summaries*. OPI staff also responds to information requests from the public, the media, and others.

Publications. OPI staff edits, designs, and publishes online a variety of ICJIA publications. This quarter, OPI:

- Continued edit and design of *Implementing Restorative Justice: A guidebook for schools*.
- Edited the Go To 2040 Crime and Justice Planning Initiative Final Report. Document was submitted to National Criminal Justice Association for Philip Hoke Award consideration.
- Initiated planning and coordinated template development for Get the Facts topical brochure series for the general public on a variety of criminal justice topics, to be written by staff. Completion of 12 brochures is anticipated in Winter 2010.
- Wrote three press releases announcing Illinois' ARRA awards administered by ICJIA. They include:
 - Illinois receives \$5 million in Recovery funding for anti-violence efforts, personnel: STOP Violence Against Women grants will help provide training, create jobs

- Illinois receives \$1.3 million in Recovery funding to assist domestic violence and sexual assault victims: Victims of Crime Act dollars will restore funding to existing programs across the state
- U.S. Department of Justice approves \$50.2 million in Recovery funding for Illinois: Justice Assistance Grant dollars will support proven drug abatement and prosecution efforts, delinquency and violence prevention initiatives, and diversion programs

Other activities. OPI also:

- Edited and coordinated publication of the following public notices:
 - ICJIA requests proposals for criminal justice program grants.
 - ICJIA requests proposals for law enforcement equipment grants
 - ICJIA requests proposals for specialized prevention training program grants
 - ICJIA requests proposals for specialized personnel grants
- Coordinated media requests from reporters seeking information and/or data on domestic violence arrests, ARRA funding, motor vehicle theft prevention tips, juvenile transfer laws, and the Death in Custody Reporting Act.
- Initiated coordination of eGMIS Users Manual draft development with FSGU staff.
- Continued ICJIA Sunshine Project, an effort to heighten agency transparency through increased online document accessibility.
- Continued public relations planning and material development for 2009 IIJIS Summit.
- Completed design of three registration forms for Restorative Justice in Schools training seminars to be conducted by R&A staff across Illinois Oct. 2, 9, and 15.
- Completed revisions to and submitted to the Office of Human Resources for final review the 2009 ICJIA Employee Handbook.
- Edited the CJ Dispatch, e-mailed twice monthly to ICJIA website users.

Memorandum

To: Authority Board Members

From: Steven James Bernstein, Acting General Counsel

Date: September 1, 2009

Office of the General Counsel Report for the September 11, 2009 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 Authority meeting, OGC has reviewed approximately 45 grant Interagency Agreements, amendments and revisions, grantee contracts with vendors, sub recipients, procurement documents, etc.

OGC staff continues to make periodic and necessary modifications to the Authority form agreements and related documents in order to conform to changes in federal and state law, regulations and good practice.

OGC staff continues to regularly review Authority publications prior to release for potential legal issues.

As part of OGC's responsibilities, staff members researched a number of topics for Authority staff and provided legal advice.

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

A major preoccupation of OGC during this most recent quarter has been with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Grant funding under ARRA has some unique issues that are being addressed. OGC staff has participated extensively in ARRA planning for the Authority. OGC staff has assisted in the preparation and submission of grant applications for Illinois under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). A considerable amount of time has been devoted to preparing new contracts and related forms necessary to reflect requirements unique to ARRA. OGC continues to participate in conferences, meetings, and webinars devoted to ARRA, including participation in the Governor's ARRA Working Group bi-weekly meetings, ARRA working groups bi-weekly meetings (Public safety) and in contributing ICJIA's data to a central database maintained by the Governor's office entitled Sharepoint .and Illinois Recovery. OGC has also assisted in the agency's preparation for and has participated in meetings with the federal Government Accounting Office and the Illinois Office of Internal Audit, and its consultant, regarding ARRA.

OGC authored a request to the Office on Violence Against Women of the Dept. of Justice to give Illinois a waiver of the normal requirement that the state provide local match for the ARRA VAWA grant. On May 21, 2009, OVW informed ICJIA that the waiver had been granted, relieving Illinois of its responsibility to provide \$1.7 million in state

general revenue or other local funds in order to qualify for the \$5 million ARRA VAWA award.

Motor Vehicle Trust Fund Suit

Nothing of significance has occurred since the last Authority meeting in the lawsuit. Apparently, there is another case, which replicates our lawsuit, which is awaiting review by the Appellate Court. Our attorney believes the court's decision in that case shall be dispositive of our law suit and he is therefore abating further action.

A recap however is provided:

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. In January, after hearing oral arguments from both sides, the trial judge entered an order denying plaintiff's motion for summary judgment. At this stage, either the defendants 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..

Motor Vehicle Fund "Sweeps"

One unfortunate and, in my opinion, unlawful occurrence has been a recent taking of funds (sweep) from an Illinois State Police Motor Vehicle in the amount of \$11,624.00 (one fourth of the amount detailed to be swept in Senate Bill 1433) the legislative rationale for which seems to be that since these funds are in the possession/control of ISP and not our trust fund, they are available. The reality is that the sole source of funding for the ISP motor vehicle fund is a direct transfer from the Motor Vehicle Trust Fund and therefore, our position is that the state is doing indirectly that which the pending court injunction precludes it from doing directly, namely sweeping Motor vehicle Trust funds. Acting Executive Director Jack Cutrone and I have contacted an attorney with the Office of Management and Budget requesting a reversal of the past sweep and an abatement of future sweeps, the OMB decision is forthcoming. In the event the sweep is upheld, I shall contact our attorney and strongly suggest that he petitions the Judge to amend by expanding the current injunction to encompass the spirit and letter of the law and to preclude not only direct transfers of Motor Vehicle fund moneys, but, also funds that are traceable directly back to our fund. The result of the sweep from ISP funds shall be the failure to fund programs already approved by the MVTPC.

Legislation

In previous OGC reports, mention was made that the Authority has legislation pending sponsored by Representative Connie Howard to ensure continued compliance with the

Violence Against Women Act by meeting the Act's requirement that individuals convicted of domestic battery be advised that federal statutes might prohibit their possession of firearms. Failure to comply would have resulted in a loss of VAWA funding. The bill number is HB 2610. OGC staff attended house and senate committee hearings on the bill and provided testimony in support of the legislation. The legislation has been passed by both houses and was signed by the Governor..

OGC continues to track other legislation of interest to the Authority and shall report on very recent legislation in coming reports..

Requests for Information

The OGC responded to two Freedom of Information Act Requests and a variety of general requests for information. Additionally, Associate General Counsel Steven Bernstein analyzed past ICJIA responses to FOIA requests and other requests for information and prepared a memo relating to future information requests. OGC continues to work on preparing the agency to take part in the Governor's Sunshine Initiative to make the workings of government more publicly accessible and is analyzing ICJIA records and information to determine what information might be made available on ICJIA's website. Cristin Evans, ICJIA's Public Information Officer has been asked to take the lead in coordinating this agency-wide project. Recently passed FOIA legislation will not alter this proposed methodology.

Meetings, Boards and Conferences

Authority General Counsel Jack Cutrone, continues to act as the Executive Director's designee to the Sex Offender Management Board. Associate General Counsel Steven Bernstein continues to help represent the Authority at Project Safe Neighborhoods meetings related to the PSN grants to the Office of the United States Attorney.

Associate General Counsel, Sean O'Brien has recently attended the National Governor's Association Privacy Policy Academy in Washington D.C and shall be preparing additions to our policies in the privacy area.

Staffing

With the elevation of General Counsel Jack Cutrone to the position of Acting Executive Director, the OGC has been reduced to a staff of two lawyers. We are concluding interviews for two additional Technical Advisor II positions and barring any state hiring freeze, which may be imposed, we hope to have our new hires by month's end.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Edith Feliciano
Date: August 24, 2009
Re: Summary of Human Resources Activities

The following highlights the work performed by Illinois Criminal Justice Information Human Resources Unit since I came aboard May 11, 2009.

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 the Accountant, there have been five interviews, two veterans, two non-veterans and one bidder 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. In addition the Public Service Administrator – Opt. 3/Web Master interviews were conducted. The selected candidate is a re-instatement previously employed with ICJIA.

Fourteen SPAR (ARRA/American Recovery & Reinvestment Act) positions were posted on the State website and IC JIA website. Bid records were process for each hiring packages. The Technical Advisor II positions, candidates have been interview, the canddates names will be place in the EPAR system. The Criminal Justice Specialist I – Opt. 1 (General) the eligible list has be requested from Central Management Services.

- 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)

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

- Submitted the Fourth Quarterly Report for FY2008
- 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
- Continued to provide staff with development tools now available in library for use

Other Miscellaneous Projects

- Will be 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:

- Fourth Quarterly EEO Report for FY2009
- Affirmative Action Plan FY2009
- Illinois State Legislator



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Anthony Jenkins
Date: August 24, 2009
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 sixteen 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 to users during the quarter. An estimated 230 technical assistance calls were responded to by staff during this period. Staff also continue to respond to requests for InfoNet data. During the quarter, InfoNet data were compiled in response to requests from the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS), the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV), the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA), and the federal Violence Against Women Office.

ICJIA staff began working on a large data request from the Chicago Mayor's Office for Domestic Violence. InfoNet data collected from domestic violence programs in Cook County will be presented at a Domestic Violence Summit beginning October 10, 2009. Data will be used to inform decision making regarding how public agencies can improve response to domestic violence in Cook County.

A new web site (www.icjia.state.il.us/infonet) was made available for InfoNet users during the quarter. The site contains several resources commonly requested by InfoNet users, including but not limited to: information on the security software, training manuals, data collection forms, frequently asked questions, user group meeting minutes, technical assistance tools, publications using InfoNet data, and links to register for trainings and email distribution lists.

Staff completed a new instructional document for users that clearly explains how to complete funding information in InfoNet for fiscal year 2010, so that grant-specific information can be accurately extracted. This also included posting of new funding sources available from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) of 2009, so that InfoNet user agencies that receive grants from this funding source will be able to report such activity separately. The document was sent to users and posted on the InfoNet website on August 3, 2009.

Several development tasks to improve InfoNet's performance were also underway during the quarter. These include the following:

- 1) Developers completed designing a new filter that will allow users to extract data according to ethnicity (Hispanic or Non-Hispanic). This is a new data field added last year to comply with federal reporting requirements. Although this information can be entered and displayed in data reports, a filter will allow users to extract data for only clients who meet certain attributes (Hispanic, Non-Hispanic). This filter is currently being tested and expected to be posted live by 9/1/09.
- 2) Developers also completed a new report for Child Advocacy Centers that will display aggregate data about current investigations, e.g. DCFS allegations and findings, victim sensitive interview information, multidisciplinary team members. This report is now being tested with a target implementation date of 9/1/09.
- 3) Developers continue work on another new report that will allow users to extract staff and funding information for specific grants. For example, a user will be able to run a "VOCA Report", and the report will provide each staff person supported by this grant, what services are funded, and the percent of services supported with the VOCA grant. This will improve the accuracy of grant-specific data and make this information easier for users to maintain and keep up to date. The team hopes to be testing this new report by 9/15/09.
- 4) Programmers continue to develop new data filters for InfoNet's Administrative Utility for two funding agencies – Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) and Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV). Currently, DHS and ICADV can only query InfoNet data by program (or agency) and funding source. Additional filters will allow them to query data by age, race, ethnicity, gender, services received, county, state and zip code. Before work on this project began, much discussion was needed about how to display data without jeopardizing

client confidentiality. Even though only aggregate data is accessible, additional filters such as race and zip code potentially threaten client confidentiality. For example, there may only be one client who is Native American and resides in zip code 60625. It was decided that any number resulting between 1 and 9 would be hidden on such data reports. This allows funders access to needed information without threatening confidentiality. Target completion date is November 1, 2009.

- 5) Also during the quarter, the InfoNet system was upgraded from Microsoft's SQL Server 2000 software to the 2005/8 version. This more up-to-date software improves system performance and includes more advanced technologies for development and reporting.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Herbert Johnson
IIJIS Project Manager

Date: August 27, 2009

Re: Illinois Integrated Justice Information System Project Update
May 2009 through August 2009

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

IIJIS Governance

- The IIJIS Implementation Board met on July 29, 2009, preceded by a meeting of the Executive Steering Committee on July 8, 2009. The Executive Steering Committee proposed a new organizational structure for the Implementation Board, which provided an updated approach and delineation of our integration and information sharing efforts.
- Due to the departure of Ms. Lori Levin as Executive Director of ICJIA, and Chair of the IIJIS Implementation Board, elections were held at the Implementation Board meeting. Cook County Circuit Court Clerk Dorothy Brown was elected to serve as Chair of the Implementation Board. Ms. Brown previously was vice-chair. Colonel Michael Snyders of the Illinois State Police was appointed vice-chair of the Implementation Board, along with his responsibility as Chair of the Planning and Policy Committee. Cook County Public Defender Judge A. C. Cunningham Jr. was appointed Chair of the Funding Committee
- The Implementation Board approved and adopted the Strategic Enterprise Direction Document that is being prepared by the Planning and Policy Committee

IIJIS Planning and Policy Committee

- The Planning and Policy Committee is moving towards the next phase of the Strategic Enterprise Direction. This would entail looking at the desired environment, and what success would look like if achieved for each strategic issue. A determination would be made to see if we are there yet, and if not, what it is going to take to get there. This would set the work and priority items for each committee and subcommittee, which leads to operational planning.





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IIJIS Outreach Committee

The Outreach Committee continues to meet, and plan for the upcoming IIJIS Summit. The committee has spent countless hours developing a very informative and diverse conference. The conference will feature some of the best integration and information sharing practices and lessons learned.

The topics will include presentations and discussions on:

- *Integration Grant Trends and Research*
- *Integration Projects for Mental Health*
- *Justice Stakeholder Partnerships for Electronic Ticketing Initiative*
- *Approaches to Building an Electronic Court*
- *Lessons Learned on Building Integrated Justice Systems*

This year's conference scheduled for September 10, 2009, at the Wyndham O'Hare is anticipating over 200 attendees from the criminal justice community throughout the state.

IIJIS Technical Committee

- The Technical Committee has completed its vetting of the strategic issues related to technology and infrastructure development. The committee will use these issues and direction from the Planning and Policy Committee to develop operational work products and a list of deliverable for the new fiscal year. The committee continues the internet collaboration tool Base Camp HQ for sharing files, documents, and communication.

IIJIS Privacy Policy Subcommittee

- IIJIS through its Privacy Policy Subcommittee was awarded a \$25,000 grant from the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices' Policy Academy. The IIJIS Project Manager and the Associate General Counsel from ICJIA attended a Privacy Policy Academy Workshop and Conference in Washington, D.C. The conference offered key insight into the issues of protecting the privacy of personally identifiable information, and highlighted some of the many resources that are available to use in the development of a privacy policy..



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Hank Anthony
Date: September 1, 2009
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.

Our travel coordinator, Rosalie Castillo, has been working for the past several months in making all meeting and travel arrangements for the Illinois Integrated Justice Information Systems Summit being held at the Wyndham O'Hare on September 10, 2009.

ICJIA has been told to prepare for a move to a new location sometime in the near future. The new location has not been finalized at this time. We are awaiting further guidance from Central Management Services.