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Regular Authority Meeting
Friday, December 3, 2010 at 9:00 a.m.
300 W. Adams, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Chicago

AGENDA

- Call to Order and Roll Call
- 1. Approval of the Minutes of September 3, 2010, Regular Meeting
- Chairman's Remarks
- 2. Executive Director's Remarks
- 3. Budget Committee Report (*Eugene E. Murphy Jr. Chair*)
 - a. Fiscal Report
- PTSD and victimization among female prisoners (*Jessica Reichert and Lindsay Bostwick*)
- Old Business
- New Business
- Adjourn

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY

September 3, 2010 at 9:03 am.
300 West Adams Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Chicago, Illinois

Call to Order and Roll Call

Vice Chairman Anita Alvarez welcomed Board Members and guests to the third quarterly Board Meeting of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority. She then convened the meeting and asked General Counsel Lisa Stephens to call the roll.

In addition to Vice Chairman Alvarez, Authority Board members in attendance were:

Chief David P. Bradford
Director Bradley Demuzio
Mr. Felix M. Gonzalez
Ms. Cynthia Hora
Acting Director Jonathon E. Monken
State's Attorney William A. Mudge
Mr. Eugene E. Murphy, Jr.
Director Michael J. Pelletier
Sheriff Patrick B. Perez
Mr. John Z. Toscas
Superintendent Jody P. Weis

Approval of Minutes of June 4, 2010 Regular Meeting

With a quorum in place, Vice Chairman Alvarez asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the June 4, 2010 Authority Board Meeting.

{Mr. John Z. Toscas moved that the minutes of the June 4, 2010 Authority Board Meeting be adopted. Ms. Cynthia Hora seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous voice vote.}

Budget Committee Report by Eugene E. Murphy, Chair

Vice Chairman Alvarez then said that she was changing the order of the agenda to allow Budget Committee Chairman Eugene E. Murphy to give the Budget Committee Report earlier because of his need to make a court appearance. Mr. Murphy reported that the Budget Committee was meeting often. He complimented the Committee members for possibly setting a record this year for the number of meetings held, the amount of money that has been distributed, and only having an exception of \$11.00 for 07 and 08, which he said would be distributed so that the budget could be closed.

He referred to a hand-out summarizing Budget Committee actions taken at its August 26, 2010 meeting, concerning distributions of funds from the following awards: Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) American Recovery and Reinvestment (ARRA) 2009, Violence Against Women Act FFY05 through FFY08, Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) FFY07 through FFY10, and Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) FFY07 and FFY08. Mr. Murphy then asked if there were any questions. With no response, he reminded Board Members that all are welcome to attend Budget Committee meetings, saying that everyone's input is very important.

Vice Chairman's Remarks

Vice Chairman Alvarez then turned to the regular agenda, reporting that there were four resolutions to be presented for approval, and proceeded to read them:

the first, recognizing fallen Chicago Police Officer Thor Soderberg, whose life was needlessly taken on July 7, 2010, after completing his shift safeguarding at-risk children through the Chicago Police Department's Operation Protect Youth Program;

the second, recognizing Chicago Police Officer Michael Bailey whose life was needlessly taken on July 18, 2010, outside his home in a robbery attempt after an overnight shift guarding the home of the Mayor of Chicago;

the third, recognizing Larry R. Rogers, Sr., who served as the Chairman of the Authority from December, 2009 to June, 2010, for his contributions, commitment and dedication to the advancement of public safety and improving the quality of criminal justice information, research and grant programs in Illinois;

and the fourth, recognizing J. David Coldren, who passed away on May 2, 2010, and was the Authority's founding Executive Director from 1983 to 1992, under Governor Thompson, for providing much valued input to creating the mission of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, focusing on improving the administration of criminal justice in Illinois.

Chairman Alvarez then asked for a unified motion to adopt the four resolutions.

{Mr. Felix Gonzalez moved that the four resolutions be adopted. Acting Director Jonathon Monken seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous voice vote}

Vice Chairman Alvarez then presented the resolutions recognizing the fallen Chicago Police Officers to Superintendent Jody P. Weis, who thanked the Authority Board.

Executive Director's Remarks

Next, Vice Chairman Alvarez called on Executive Director Jack Cutrone for his remarks.

Mr. Cutrone said that he was going to address the status of the Authority's grants, and how they have been doing in terms of the amount of the awards that the agency has been receiving. He reported that the Juvenile Accountability Block Grants (JABG) award is down to \$1,660,000 from \$1,743,000; the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) award is down from \$12,242,000 to \$11,877,000; and the Violence Against Women Act award also was down from \$5,094,000 to \$4,846,000. He went on to say that because none of the reductions were significant, they could be handled.

He then reported on a number of grants received that were increased. He said one was the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) Program, which grew from \$284,000 last year to \$827,000 this year. Mr. Cutrone added that the RSAT award increase was very important because it allows more beds for treatment of people with substance abuse issues and he suggested that by treating them, public safety would be increased and crime and recidivism reduced. Next, he mentioned the National Forensic Science Improvement Act award of \$687,000, which was a slight increase.

He pointed out a significant increase in the Victim's of Crime Act (VOCA) award which went from \$14,583,000 to \$16,464,000, almost 13 percent higher. He stated that with that increase, the Ad Hoc Victim Services Committee, which met for a day and a half and is chaired by Vice Chairman Alvarez, was able to restore some of the cuts made in prior years when funds were reduced significantly. Mr. Cutrone said that a number of service providers in the victims' area that had been suffering reductions had not been able to give their staff even cost of living increases for the last four or five years, even though they worked hard and were deserving.

He next discussed the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) Act Record Improvement Program grant of \$1,200,000 that was received. He said it will be used to improve the system by which the state police can do an instant check or assist in an instant background check for someone who wants to purchase a firearm. He reviewed how originally it appeared that the Authority did not qualify for the award based on a discussion he had with the Chief Legal Counsel from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms about meeting the federal requirements as he reported at an Authority Legislation and Regulations Committee Meeting. Mr. Cutrone then related how upon receiving further information from the Illinois State Police which indicated that the Authority was certified for a grant, he went back to the ATF Chief Legal Counsel and as a result, it was awarded, adding that a grant had not been received last year.

He next mentioned receipt of a post-conviction DNA testing program award of \$687,000, and then returned to a discussion of the meeting of the Ad Hoc Victim Services Committee. He said it was a very productive session, effectively facilitated by staff member Dr. Lisa Braude, with many good ideas outlined and new goals and priorities set. He noted that traditionally, for the most part, the Authority has been continuing funding programs that had been funded in the past, and will continue that mode for the next three-year cycle. But he stated that after that time,

programs will be put on notice that they will be up for reconsideration. He explained that it is not because they have not been good programs, but the Authority wants to be able to fund additional ones that may be deserving but have been overlooked because they have not already been funded.

Moving on in the area of grants, Mr. Cutrone said that he wanted to discuss with the Board the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). He called attention to a chart indicating JAG awards received over the last few federal fiscal years, excluding FFY10, which appeared as an award of \$11,877,102 in another section. He said that traditionally the Authority only has taken 8.5 percent for administrative fees even though JAG allows taking 10 percent, with the difference between those two percentages reflected in that chart: at 8.5 percent the administrative fee would be \$1,009,544, and at 10 percent, \$1,187,710.

He then asked the Authority Board to consider authorizing the Authority to use the full 10 percent, and detailed the reason for his request. He started by reviewing the state and federal grants for the last six fiscal years that appeared on the chart. He pointed out the reductions and the percentage reduction which he said reflects a reduction in the money that is given to the Authority by the state for match for the federal grant money. He then detailed how match money from the state was dropped entirely in state fiscal year 08 and highlighted the match funding pattern since then with mainly decreases and a decrease to be expected for this year's budget. He said that is why he is asking the Board for authorization to increase the amount of the administration fee from JAG to 10 percent which would yield approximately \$180,000 that could make up at least in part the funding that can be cut from the General Revenue Fund, given the state's horrendous fiscal condition.

At that point Vice Chairman Alvarez called for a motion, with Mr. Cutrone asking that the Board authorize increasing the amount of administrative fees that the Authority will take under the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant from 8.5 percent, which had been taken in the past, to 10 percent, which is the full amount allowed under the Byrne JAG.

{Mr. Felix Gonzalez moved that the motion be adopted. Mr. Eugene Murphy seconded the motion, which was adopted by unanimous voice vote.}

Mr. Cutrone thanked the Board and then reported that a bill pending to increase the Authority Board from 21 members to 23 by adding a Cook County public defender and a downstate public defender, which he had discussed previously, was passed. He said that it was signed by the Governor and will be effective January, 2011; thus as of January 1, two additional members will be on the Board.

Next, he called attention to the resignation of Board Member Michael Randle as Director of the Department of Corrections, effective September 17, which was reported in the press the day before. He said that at a future time a Board Resolution recognizing Mr. Randle for his service will be requested. He went on to say that Mr. Randle had been a great friend to the Authority, a very valuable asset to the State of Illinois and will be missed. He announced that Gladyse Taylor of the Department of Corrections, who was present, was appointed Acting Assistant Director

and will be named Acting Director, upon Mr. Randle's resignation. He said that the Authority looked forward to working with her.

Mr. Cutrone also called attention to the new Anti-Violence Commission recently appointed by the Governor, with which the Authority has been involved. He noted that one of the Commission Members is the widow of Officer Soderberg, and said that her work for the Board of Education in its violence prevention area makes her an asset to violence prevention, but is ironic and doubly sad for her. He said it also is sad that almost everyone on the Anti-Violence Commission has lost a family member through violence, and that when you witness the effect on them of what might just be a newspaper headline it is heart wrenching.

Approaching the end of his report, Mr. Cutrone mentioned the upcoming Summit that the Authority is hosting and urged Board Members to attend. He noted that it will bring together many people with vast knowledge about the criminal justice system and ways that practices can be improved, which is the direction the Authority hopes to be taking over the next few years. He said therefore it is vital that the Authority Board Members are there showing strong support.

In conclusion, Mr. Cutrone said he is asking the Board for permission to do something the Authority has never done before, and that is to establish a Lifetime Achievement Award, given from time to time, to recognize people who have made significant contributions over the course of their professional careers to the cause of criminal justice. He continued to say that he is asking the Board to approve presenting such an award at the Summit to the Presiding Judge of the Cook County Circuit Court Criminal Division, Paul Biebel. He proceeded to give Judge Biebel's background, highlighting many of the important roles he has played in supporting programs that the Authority has strongly supported. Mr. Cutrone mentioned Judge Biebel's expansion of the existing Drug Court Program, his creation of the first Mental Health Court in Illinois, his work to begin a Veterans Court, and his efforts to institute a Prostitution Court, providing women, who have been charged and who are basically victims, with services to avoid further involvement with the criminal justice system.

He added that throughout Judge Biebel's career, he has been a visionary and an extremely hard worker, dedicated to the cause that the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority addresses. He said that State's Attorney and Vice Chairman Alvarez has had very significant experience working with Judge Biebel and asked whether she would want to comment. In response, she said she thought the Award would be appropriate, and that Judge Biebel was deserving, complimenting him on the implementation of the Veterans' Court and his day-to-day work. She then called for a motion to establish a Lifetime Achievement Award, with the first one to be presented to Judge Paul Biebel at the ICJIA 2010 Criminal Justice Planning Summit.

{Mr. John Z. Toscas moved that the motion be adopted. Acting Director Jonathon Monken seconded it, which was adopted by unanimous voice vote.}

Mr. Cutrone thanked the Board, and Vice Chairman Alvarez then called on Mr. Ronald Litwin, Acting Chief Fiscal Officer, for the Fiscal Report.

Fiscal Report by Ronald Litwin, Acting Chief Fiscal Officer

Mr. Litwin said he was presenting variances to budget comments on the fiscal results for the period July 1, 2009 through the July 31, 2010 Lapse Period for Agency Operations and also Awards and Grants activities. He directed attention to Exhibit 1 in the handout materials which is a comparison of the fiscal year to date expenditures and obligations through the July 31, 2010 Lapse Period to the total fiscal year budget for the General Revenue Fund.

He stated that total expenditures and obligations for the period were at a 77 percent level for the fiscal year primarily due to favorable variances in the Personal Services, Contractual and Electronic Data Processing line items. Mr. Litwin pointed out that the personal services line item and FICA are favorable due to open, unfilled budgeted positions; the contractual line item is favorable due to a timing difference in the CMS rent billing, which was received and processed in August 2010; and the EDP line item plus the rest of the line items are favorable due to the implementation of Cost Cutting Measures and Guidelines as directed by Governor Pat Quinn.

Mr. Litwin then turned to Exhibit 2, which he said also is a comparison of the fiscal year to date expenditures and obligations through the July 31, 2010 lapse period to the total fiscal year budget for the Awards and Grants activities. He said that the expenditures in the Federal Criminal Justice Trust fund are at a 47 percent level primarily due to a later start of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act spending than was budgeted. Mr. Litwin also stated that the General Revenue Matching Funds and Other Category are at an 88 percent level due to an overestimated of the expenditure level.

Continuing, he said that the Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund had a \$400,000 authority to spend level, but the funding obtained from non-federal government entities, private sources, and not-for-profit organizations was less than \$6,000 for the period. He went on to say that the expenditures for the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund are at a 36 percent level primarily due to an overly optimistic budget. In conclusion, he indicated that the Overall Total Expenditures and Obligations for the Awards and Grants Activity is at a 46 percent level for the period represented by \$56,122,000 in expenditures, and then asked if there were any questions.

Chief David Bradford asked with regard to the budgeted open positions, how many there were, in what areas, and if there were plans to fill them. In response, Mr. Litwin said there were about four including one to replace the Authority's late Chief Fiscal Officer and a Public Information Officer, with Mr. Cutrone adding that several Grant Monitors were to be funded by the Recovery Act money but in the interest in trying to save expenditures have not been filled. He reported that a candidate has been identified for the CFO position and the process is working its way through the Governor's Office, which can be lengthy.

Vice Chairman Alvarez thanked Mr. Litwin and then asked if there were any other questions. With no response, she introduced Dr. Lisa Braude, the Authority's Assistant Research Director, for a preview of its upcoming strategic planning initiative.

Preview of the 2010 ICJIA Criminal Justice Strategic Planning Summit by Dr. Lisa Braude

Before beginning, Dr. Braude reiterated that it was important for Board Members to attend the Summit. She said that hotel stipends were still available, and urged members who had not already registered to please do so. She then discussed the background and rationale as to how the Authority came to develop its agenda and its major theme focusing on evidence-based practices. She also described the structure of the strategic plan that the Authority will produce, based on the Summit and post-Summit follow-up working groups, which will guide Illinois criminal justice and related health and human services policy, funding initiatives, and the justice research agenda for the next several years.

Dr. Braude then called attention to a new Summit website that has a link to the Authority home page, and showed it. She gave an overview of the topics that were chosen as a result of a needs assessment that was undertaken last year. She said a wide range of criminal justice stakeholders were asked what the most pressing challenges were either related to their communities or within their professional fields. She said that input also was solicited from an advisory group of Illinois agency directors who work with, and implement public policies for, criminal justice-involved populations. Dr. Braude added that the chosen topics were designed to offer solutions that would produce the broadest impact to the criminal justice system and not just be compartmentalized programs.

She continued to say that one of the issues that increasingly arose, particularly from those in law enforcement, was the difficulty in relating to community members and working with the community at large concerning public safety issues. Dr. Braude said that was the reason the first panel presentation will address why the neighborhood is needed and will be looking at broad community participation in public safety areas.

She then outlined some of the speakers and other subjects that would be covered including Michael Thompson, Director of the Justice Program Office for the Council of State Governments. She said that he will address reducing spending on corrections through justice reinvestment, which is a broad scale approach to looking at cost reduction strategies where costs can be offset from corrections and invested into community programs. At that point, Mr. Cutrone added that the process is based on taking some of the money spent on criminal justice and investing it in the community in ways that will prevent crime.

Dr. Braude went on to mention additional areas to be discussed including drug abuse and mental illness in the justice system and announced that the keynote speaker will be Cynthia Capporizzo, Senior Policy Advisor for the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, the Executive Office of the President. She said that other panels and break-out sessions would talk about funding sources other than the Office of Justice Programs, Violence Against Women Act, and Victims of Crime Act funds, to be facilitated by the Executive Director of the National Criminal Justice Association. She remarked that the various aspects of evidence-based practices would include presentations by Candice Kane, former Authority Director; Judge Robb of the 11th Circuit in McLean County; and Dennis Rosenbaum of the University of Illinois Chicago. For more complete program information, she directed the Board to the Summit website.

She then turned to activities after the Summit, stating that working groups will convene to develop strategies to address state and local justice-related challenges, including evidence-based or promising practices, cross-disciplinary and cross-jurisdictional partnerships, and professional development and training strategies to conserve resources and share information. She said that the working groups over a period of months would formalize the strategic plan based on these broad areas within the Authority's broad statutory responsibilities.

At that point, Mr. Cutrone reiterated that from the beginning of planning for the Summit, the goal was to find out what issues are important to the criminal justice community and center the presentations on them. He said that the speakers on evidence-based practices from Illinois and from across the country are experts on evidence-based practices. He went on to say that those practices that have been shown to work will be part of the Summit webpage and that once the Summit is over, it will be a permanent aspect of the website so that people throughout the system who want answers to particular problems can find out what has been shown to be effective.

Continuing, he said that collaborative efforts will be discussed at the Summit to highlight ways to save money in times of fiscal constraints by avoiding duplication, and also will focus on programs that are most cost effective. He said that this is an approach that will be part of the strategic plan and why it is important to have Board Members participate. Mr. Cutrone added that strong attempts have been made to assure attendance by members of the legislature who serve on criminal justice committees because the strategic plan cannot be implemented simply by practitioners but must have legislative support. He further added that this is a direction in which the Authority is moving in the future, to be used more of a resource, noting that the Authority has great capabilities to assist people not only in the grant field, but also in policy and practice.

In conclusion, Dr. Braude remarked that the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit worked very hard on developing a compendium of evidence-based practices that as mentioned by Mr. Cutrone will be a permanent part of the Summit website. She said that she also wanted to call attention to a number of write-ups on the subject that the Research and Analysis Unit produced, which also will be on the website. As an example, she pointed to problem-oriented policing, which summarizes the most recent research literature and gives an overview and some resources for where to get information for implementing those strategies. She then thanked everyone and said that she looked forward to seeing them at the Summit.

Vice Chairman Alvarez thanked Dr. Braude and asked if there were any old or new business to discuss. With no response, she called for a motion to adjourn, but first wished everyone a good Labor Day weekend and said that the Summit should be very effective.

{Ms. Cynthia Hora's motion to adjourn was seconded by Sheriff Patrick Perez and adopted by unanimous voice vote.}



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Dreena S. Jones, Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: December 3, 2010
Re: Authority Fiscal Reports

Attached are the FY 2011 fiscal reports covering the period:
July 1, 2010 through October 31, 2010.

Exhibit #1 – Operations

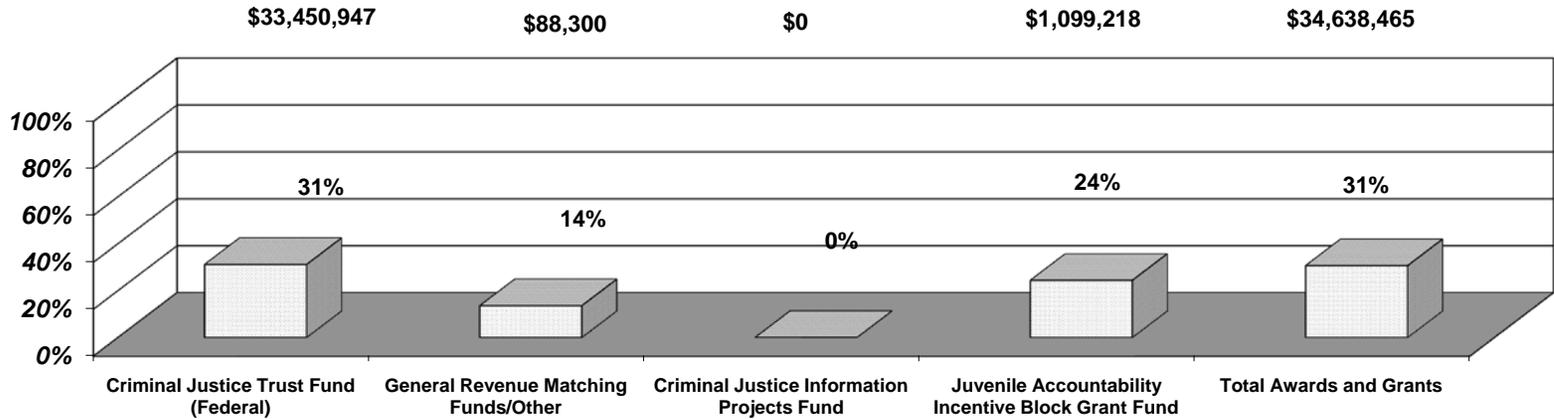
As shown on Exhibit 1, the Authority has expended or obligated 26% of our General Revenue operations.

Exhibit #2 – Awards and Grants

As shown on Exhibit 2, the Authority has expended or obligated 14% of our General Revenue Matching/Other funds appropriation and 31% of our total appropriation.

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

**Exhibit #2 - Awards & Grants
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
FY 2011 Expenditures/Obligations
July 1, 2010 - October 31, 2010**



	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	\$10,100,000	\$1,646,880	\$8,453,120	\$650,000	\$0	\$88,300	\$561,700			
State Agencies	\$27,500,000	\$6,594,816	\$20,905,184							
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.	\$68,100,000	\$25,194,863	\$42,905,137							
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$1,700,000	\$14,388	\$1,685,612	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
Total	\$107,400,000	\$33,450,947	\$73,949,053	\$650,000	\$0	\$88,300	\$561,700	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		31%	69%			14%	86%		0%	100%
	Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund			Total						
	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)			
Federal Assistance Support				\$10,750,000	\$0	\$1,735,180	\$9,014,820			
State Agencies				\$27,500,000	\$0	\$6,594,816	\$20,905,184			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.				\$68,100,000	\$0	\$25,194,863	\$42,905,137			
Misc. Awards/Grants				\$2,100,000	\$0	\$14,388	\$2,085,612			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant	\$4,500,000	\$1,099,218	\$3,400,782	\$4,500,000	\$0	\$1,099,218	\$3,400,782			
Total	\$4,500,000	\$1,099,218	\$3,400,782	\$112,950,000	\$0	\$34,638,465	\$78,311,536			
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		24%	76%			31%	69%			

(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	26%
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Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)	31%
General Revenue Matching Funds/Other	14%
Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund	0%
Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund	24%
Total Awards and Grants	31%



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Authority Members

FROM: Ron Reichgelt, Acting Associate Director – Federal & State Grants Unit

DATE: December 1, 2010

RE: **December 3, 2010 Authority Regular Meeting / Budget Agenda**

Enclosed are additional materials for the December 3, 2010 Authority Regular Meeting. These documents describe Budget Agenda items that will be presented for approval at the meeting.

These materials will be available on the Authority's website, www.icjia.state.il.us, along with electronic copies of the other meeting materials that were previously sent to you.

Thank you.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Budget Committee

FROM: Ron Reichgelt, Acting Associate Director, Federal and State Grants Unit

DATE: December 03, 2010

RE: **FFY06 Juvenile Accountability Block Grants Plan**
FFY07 Juvenile Accountability Block Grants Plan
FFY08 Juvenile Accountability Block Grants Plan
FFY09 Juvenile Accountability Block Grants Plan Introduction

This memo describes proposed adjustments to the FFY06, FFY07, FFY08, and FFY09 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) plans.

Designation Reductions

The following table details FFY06 and FFY07 funds returned to the Authority. FFY06 figures are provided for information purposes only because the Authority's FFY06 award expired on November 26, 2010. Staff recommends that the FFY07 funds be made available for future programming.

DESIGNEE / PROGRAM	REASON FOR LAPSE / RESCISSION	FFY06	FFY07
St. Clair County / Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Program	Difficulty starting the program. Unable to meet goals of the program in serving the number of juveniles as originally anticipated.	\$35,532	
Illinois Violence Prevention Authority / Safety Net Works	Contractual program expenses were less than anticipated.	\$8,104	
Kane County / Juvenile Accountability Initiative Program	Funds remained unspent at program end.		\$128
TOTAL RETURNED		\$43,636	\$128

Recommended Designations

In the spring of 2009, the JCEC and Budget Committee approved the designation of FFY06 local-use funds to assist Illinois County Probation Departments, or departments of similar functions, in developing and implementing a job readiness and supervised paid internship program for probationary juveniles. Via the request-for-proposals (RFP) process, staff recommended and the Budget Committee approved a total of \$144,750 in awards under this initiative for Cook County (\$44,549), St. Clair County (\$40,000), Lake County (\$39,852), DuPage County (\$40,000) and Effingham County (\$40,000).

In July 2010, St. Clair County reported they could not initiate their program as expected. In September, they returned \$35,532 of their unused award. Effingham County has performed without any reported difficulties; however, they have not expressed interest in continuing this program. Cook, Lake and DuPage Counties have met expectations and have requested funding to continue for an additional 12 months. Lake and DuPage counties have requested increases to their funding amounts due to under-projected expenses.

FFY07 Designations

Lake County on behalf of the Administrative Office of the 19th Judicial Circuit

The 19th Judicial Court's Division of Juvenile Probation and Detention (hereafter Division) provides case management and probation services to approximately 800 minors at any given time. The Division has embraced this program to provide training to its youth most in need of pre-employment skills and placement into various jobs throughout the county.

The Division wishes to expand the pre-employment program to help more probationers build competencies through employment, internships, and ultimately job placement. The target population of this program is minors on probation/supervision who are ages 15-19. Participating minors are court ordered.

Lake County is requesting 12 additional months of funding to continue this program at an amount significantly higher than expended in the initial 12 months. Since this was the first time the Division initiated a pre-employment program, many expenses were not projected or anticipated. The Division has projected additional costs to hire a part-time program coordinator as well as to increase the number of youth employed. Staff recommends designating a maximum of \$85,000 in FFY07 funds to help Lake County expand its pre-employment program beyond the start-up phase.

Cook County on behalf of the Cook County Juvenile Probation and Court Services:

The Cook County Juvenile Probation and Court Services Department (hereafter Department) provides case management and probation services to over 4,000 minors at any given time. The majority of these minors come from low income homes in inner-city Chicago and lack employment skills and experience. The Department has worked to respond to these youths' deficiencies by expanding their pre-employment program to help more probationers build competencies through employment, internships, and ultimately job placement. The target population of this program is minors on probation/supervision who are ages 15-18. Minors are referred by their probation officers and juvenile justice judges.

This two-phased program is supervised by two job development probation officers. Phase I consists of seven sessions and Phase II consists of five sessions. During Phase I, participants learn skills relevant to finding, applying, interviewing, and maintaining employment. The participants are given a \$10 stipend for each session they attend. During Phase II, participants are paired with a partnering employer. These grant funds are used to pay the \$10.00 stipends (Phase I) and up to 15 hours per week wages at \$8.00 (Phase II). In addition, grant funds are also used to purchase a portion of the bus cards given to youth to ensure their transportation and attendance. The program targets 50 youth.

Cook County is requesting 12 additional months of funding to continue this program at an amount less than was expended in the initial 12 months. Staff recommends designating a maximum of \$33,444 in FFY07 funds to help Cook County maintain the described expenses of this program.

DuPage County on behalf of the DuPage County Probation Department

The DuPage County Probation Department (hereafter Department) provides case management and probation services to over 1,500 minors at any given time. The Department reports that 30 percent of these minors are classified as high-risk to re-offend and 50 percent are classified as medium risk to re-offend. From these two classified groups, less than 20 percent are currently employed. The Department has worked to respond to these youths' deficiencies by expanding their pre-employment program to help more probationers build competencies through employment, internships, and ultimately job placement. The target population of this program is minors on probation/supervision who are ages 15-18. Minors are referred by their probation officers and juvenile justice judges.

Probationers interested in participating in this program are required to submit a written application and participate in a program interview. Probationers also must have the recommendation of their Probation Officer. Accepted probationers participate in a 10-module job skills group training curriculum, twice per week for five weeks, for a minimum amount of 15 hours of job skills training. Probationers who complete the job

skills training then interview for jobs with partnering employers for five weeks of grant funded employment. These grant funds are used primarily for employer wage reimbursement.

DuPage County is requesting 12 additional months of funding to continue this program at an amount significantly higher than expended in the initial 12 months. Since this was the first time the Department initiated a pre-employment program, many expenses were not projected or anticipated. The Department has projected additional costs for transportation to ensure youth participation; as well as, additional program expenses. Staff recommends designating a maximum of \$65,000 in FFY07 funds to help DuPage County expand its pre-employment program beyond the start-up phase.

Lake County on behalf of the Lake County State's Attorney's Office

The Lake County State's Attorney's Office requests \$29,190 for the purpose of creating and developing a Lake County Victim/Offender Mediation Program as an alternative dispute resolution approach to juvenile court diversion. This program will be designed to create accountability and restoration and to meet the goals of Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ). The Lake County Juvenile Justice Complex receives over 1,800 juvenile delinquency referrals a year. This accountability-based alternative to juvenile prosecution will be made available to approximately 320 juveniles involved in non-violent property crime offense and will become one part of a collaborative effort between the county's many government and private agencies to address juvenile crime.

The stated intention for this program is to restore connections between the youths, victims, and the community through increasing empathy and respect, personalizing the consequences of actions, teaching skills of conflict resolution, and offering a change to be part of the solution. The victim-offender mediation program will provide a forum for all parties involved in a delinquent act to understand why the act happened as well as work to restore the victims' feelings of safety and trust in their neighbors.

Lake County estimates the total cost of this program at \$41,108. These costs are based on contracting two experienced, certified mediators to train a group of up to 24 screened, approved, volunteers to serve as community-based mediators. In addition, the services of a part-time Victim-Offender Mediation Coordinator will be contracted. The operation of the program will require expenses for printed materials, including surveys, brochures, protocols and operational forms. Staff recommends designating a maximum of \$29,190 in FFY07 funds for a 12 month period to assist Lake County in the development of this BARJ based program.

FFY09 Introduction

The FFY09 JABG federal award to Illinois is \$1,739,700. These funds will expire on May 31, 2012. Five percent of the award (\$86,985) was set aside for administrative purposes, leaving \$1,652,715 available for programming. Federal requirements for the JABG program include a 75 percent (\$1,239,536) pass-through to local units of government. Each local unit of government's share of the FFY09 funds was determined by calculating the sum of three-fourths of the locality's relative share of law enforcement expenditures (based on the Census Bureau's Census of Government Survey) and one-fourth of the locality's relative share of Part I violent crime offenses (based on the Illinois State Police's Uniform Crime Reports) for the three most recent years for which data are available. Formula grants are awarded to entities that qualify for \$10,000 or more. Using the formula, 10 entities qualified for awards of \$10,000 or more and those entities are listed in the table below. The balance of the local dollars is available to be awarded to local units of government. FFY09 JABG fund designations and remaining undesignated funds are described in the table below:

Unit of Government	County	FFY09 Allocation
Champaign County	Champaign	\$10,631
Chicago	Chicago	\$168,464
Cook County	Cook	\$555,313
DuPage County	DuPage	\$34,156
Kane County	Kane	\$21,410
Lake County	Lake	\$25,452
Peoria County	Peoria	\$12,229
St. Clair County	St. Clair	\$10,408
Will County	Will	\$23,011
Winnebago County	Winnebago	\$17,974
Local Formula Fund Allocations		\$879,048
Unallocated Local Funds		\$360,488
Total Local		\$1,239,536
Unallocated State/ Discretionary Funds		\$413,179
Administrative Funds		\$86,985
ORIGINAL TOTAL		\$1,739,700
Interest Earned as of		\$8,760
GRAND TOTAL		\$1,748,460

Summary of Available FFY07 - FFY09 Funds

The table below describes currently available funds, assuming the adoption of the recommendations described in the memo above by the Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition and the Budget Committee:

Available Funds	FFY07	FFY08	FFY09	Total
Local	\$9,143	\$281,402	\$360,488	\$651,033
State / Discretionary	\$108,221	\$126,145	\$413,179	\$647,545
Interest Available (as of 12/1/10)	\$52,244	\$28,438	\$9,738	\$90,420
Total	\$169,608	\$435,985	\$783,405	\$1,388,998
Expiration Date	11/26/11	12/2/11	5/31/12	

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

**JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY
BLOCK GRANTS PROGRAM
FFY06**

ATTACHMENT A - Interest Updated 12/1/10

Name of Community	County	Initial Amount	Amended Amount	Difference
<i>Direct Funded Local Programs:</i>				
Champaign County	Champaign	\$1,006		
Chicago	Cook	\$161,857		
Cook County	Cook	\$505,204		
DuPage County	Du Page	\$32,892		
Kane County	Kane	\$20,541		
Lake County	Lake	\$24,516		
Peoria County	Peoria	\$11,874		
St. Clair County	St.Clair	\$8,905		
Will County	Will	\$22,109		
Winnebago County	Winnebago	\$17,383		
<i>Youth Giving Back</i>				
13th Judicial Circuit (La Salle Co.)	La Salle	\$22,377		
<i>Community Services Program</i>				
Evanston	Cook	\$21,096		
Evanston	Cook	\$10,548		
<i>Juvenile Prosecution</i>				
Madison County	Madison	\$6,064		
<i>Juvenile Reporting Centers</i>				
Tazewell County	Tazewell	\$0		
First Judicial Circuit	Williamson	\$0		
<i>Pre-Employment Program</i>				
Cook County	Cook	\$44,549		
St. Clair County	St.Clair	\$40,000	\$4,468	(\$35,532)
Lake County	Lake	\$39,852		
DuPage County	Du Page	\$40,000		
Effingham County	Effingham	\$40,000		
UNALLOCATED LOCAL		\$0	\$35,532	\$35,532
TOTAL LOCAL		\$1,070,773		

Name of Community	County	Initial Amount	Amended Amount	Difference
<i>Anti-Violence Initiative</i>				
Illinois Violence Prevention Authority		\$198,000	\$189,896	(\$8,104)
Illinois Violence Prevention Authority		\$0		
<i>Parole Re-Adjustment Program</i>				
Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice		\$65,664		
Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice		\$32,693		
Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice		\$68,141		
<i>Truancy Court Program</i>				
Macon County State's Attorney's Office	Macon	\$45,347		
<i>Interest Earned as of 12/1/10:</i>		<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$1,295</i>	<i>\$1,295</i>
UNALLOCATED DISCRETIONARY		\$0	\$8,104	\$8,104
TOTAL DISCRETIONARY		\$409,845		
ADMINISTRATION		\$74,450		
GRAND TOTAL		\$1,555,068	\$1,556,363	\$1,295

Total interest earned as of 12/1/10: \$67,363.

\$12,982 in interest earned to IVPA (#506200) on 6/5/09.

\$46,402 in interest earned to IDJJ (#506186) on 6/5/09.

\$2,042 in interest earned to the Macon County SAO (506012) on 8/3/09.

\$4,643 in interest earned to IDJJ (#506268) on 6/4/10.

**JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY
BLOCK GRANTS PROGRAM
FFY07**

ATTACHMENT A - *Revised 12/1/10*

Name of Community	County	Initial Amount	Amended Amo	Difference
<i>Direct Funded Local Programs:</i>				
Champaign County	Champaign	\$10,125		
Chicago	Cook	\$165,851		
Cook County	Cook	\$528,864		
DuPage County	Du Page	\$20,240		
Kane County	Kane	\$20,463		
Lake County	Lake	\$24,334		
Peoria County	Peoria	\$0		
Will County	Will	\$21,954		
Winnebago County	Winnebago	\$17,217		
<i>Community Services Program</i>				
Evanston	Cook	\$31,000		
<i>Teen Court</i>				
Macon County	Macon	\$46,000		
<i>Mediation Program</i>				
Lake County	Lake	\$0	\$29,190	\$29,190
<i>Pre-Employment Program</i>				
Cook County	Cook	\$0	\$33,444	\$33,444
DuPage County	Du Page	\$0	\$65,000	\$65,000
Lake County	Lake	\$0	\$85,000	\$85,000
UNALLOCATED LOCAL		\$221,777	\$9,143	(\$212,634)
TOTAL LOCAL		\$1,107,825	\$1,107,825	

<i>Safety Net Works</i>				
Illinois Violence Prevention Authority		\$0		
<i>Parole Re-adjustment Program</i>				
Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice		\$187,199		
<i>Interest Earned as of 12/1/10:</i>		<i>\$47,236</i>	<i>\$52,244</i>	<i>\$5,008</i>
UNALLOCATED DISCRETIONARY		\$108,221		
TOTAL DISCRETIONARY		\$342,656	\$347,664	\$4,438
ADMINISTRATION		\$73,855		
GRAND TOTAL		\$1,524,336	\$1,529,344	\$4,438

**JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY
BLOCK GRANTS PROGRAM
FFY08**

ATTACHMENT A - *Revised 12/1/10*

Name of Community	County	Initial Amount	Amended Amo	Difference
Direct Funded Local Programs:				
Champaign County	Champaign	\$10,631		
Chicago	Cook	\$168,464		
Cook County	Cook	\$553,313		
DuPage County	Du Page	\$34,156		
Kane County	Kane	\$21,410		
Lake County	Lake	\$25,452		
Peoria County	Peoria	\$12,229		
St. Clair County	St.Clair	\$10,408		
Will County	Will	\$23,011		
Winnebago County	Winnebago	\$17,974		
UNALLOCATED LOCAL		\$281,402		
TOTAL LOCAL		\$1,158,450		
<i>Parole Re-Adjustment Program</i>				
Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice		\$182,775		
<i>Interest Earned as of 12/1/10</i>		<i>\$21,698</i>	<i>\$28,438</i>	<i>\$6,740</i>
UNALLOCATED DISCRETIONARY		\$126,145		
TOTAL DISCRETIONARY		\$330,618	\$337,358	\$6,740
ADMINISTRATION		\$77,230		
GRAND TOTAL		\$1,566,298	\$1,573,038	\$6,740

**JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY
BLOCK GRANTS PROGRAM
FFY09**

ATTACHMENT A - *Revised 12/1/10*

Name of Community	County	Initial Amount	Amended Amo	Difference
Direct Funded Local Programs:				
Champaign County	Champaign	\$10,631		
Chicago	Cook	\$168,464		
Cook County	Cook	\$555,313		
DuPage County	Du Page	\$34,156		
Kane County	Kane	\$21,410		
Lake County	Lake	\$25,452		
Peoria County	Peoria	\$12,229		
St. Clair County	St.Clair	\$10,408		
Will County	Will	\$23,011		
Winnebago County	Winnebago	\$17,974		
UNALLOCATED LOCAL		\$360,488		
TOTAL LOCAL		\$1,239,536		
<i>Interest Earned as of 12/1/10</i>		<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$9,738</i>	<i>\$9,738</i>
UNALLOCATED DISCRETIONARY		\$413,179		
TOTAL DISCRETIONARY		\$413,179	\$422,917	\$9,738
ADMINISTRATION		\$86,985		
GRAND TOTAL		\$1,739,700	\$1,749,438	\$9,738



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Budget Committee Members

FROM: Ronnie Reichgelt, Acting Associate Director, Federal & State Grants Unit

DATE: December 3, 2010

RE: **Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) FFY07 Plan Adjustments**
Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) FFY08 Plan Adjustments

This memo describes FFY07 and FFY08 designation recommendations as illustrated in the attached *Attachment A's* dated December 3, 2010.

Designation Reductions

At the August 2010 Budget Committee meeting, approval was given for a designation for a maximum of \$20,000 in FFY07 funds to the Rockford, Illinois Public School District #205 for the purpose of implementing restorative justice practices in school grades – 1st through 12th, beginning in 2010. It was the school district's intention to enter into a contractual agreement with Governor's State University who would implement the Illinois Balanced and Restorative Justice Project (IBARJP) and deliver training and technical assistance to teachers covering Circle and Peer Jury Training. Soon following this approval, District #205 chose not to engage with IBARJP and no longer seeks use of these funds.

Recommended Designations

JAG FFY07

Prevention and Education

Staff recommends designating a maximum of \$20,000 in FFY07 funds to Governor's State University (GSU) for the purpose of implementing restorative justice practices at school districts in school grades – 1st through 12th, beginning in 2011, for the following school districts: Bloom Township High School District #206 (Chicago Heights and Glenwood), Bloom Trail High School District #206 (Ford Heights, Steger, Sauk Village, South Chicago Heights and Lynwood), and Alton School District #11 (Alton). GSU will implement the Illinois Balanced and Restorative Justice Project (IBARJP) and deliver training and technical assistance to teachers covering Circle and Peer Jury Training.

Drug Treatment

Staff recommends designating a maximum of \$250,000 in FFY07 funds to the Haymarket Center – Chicago’s largest substance use disorders treatment center – for the purpose of partnering with the Cook County Sheriff’s Department of Women’s Justice Services (DWJS) to implement a DWJS Recovery Home for African American women with substance use disorders and histories of sex work. Haymarket will provide substance abuse treatment for women detained in the Cook county Jail through the Sheriff’s Female Furlough and Women’s Residential Treatment Programs.

DWJS will refer women to the Haymarket Center for an assessment of level of care and service needs. These women will receive priority placement in a gender-responsive recovery home for 90 days residency at Haymarket Center. Recovery staff will meet with each woman to develop an individual recovery plan for successful community reentry and the women will participate in daily structured group activities for preventing relapse and recidivism. In addition, Haymarket Center will offer a wide array of on-site supportive services to meet ancillary needs. Some services are trauma counseling, job-readiness, and GED services. DWJS referred women also may elect to participate in weekly Prostitution Anonymous (PA) meetings.

The majority of the recommended funding will go toward salaries for a program supervisor, trauma counselor, recovery-coach and case aide as well as a contracted psychologist, daily nutritional needs for those women receive care, and up to 20 percent in indirect costs.

Corrections and Community Corrections

Staff recommends designating a maximum of \$20,000 in FFY07 funds to the Tazewell County Jail for the purpose of implementing an anti-gun, anti-drug, and anti-domestic violence campaign through the use of television-commercial override technology. The Tazewell County Jail will use these funds to purchase technology that will be used on televisions throughout the facility to broadcast the pre-screened, positive messages in place of television questions.

The Tazewell County Jail reports that inmates have access to televisions for approximately 13 hours per day. During this time, inmates may be exposed to 10 one-minute television commercials per hour for a total 130 minutes. The Tazewell County Jail has no control over the content of the television commercials – many of which promote alcohol, sex, and other messages that may contribute to negative behaviors by the inmates. The television-commercial override technology will allow the jail to replace these television commercials with messages that educate against negative behaviors and promote those that are positive.

The Tazewell County Jail processes 6,000 inmates each year. Most inmates are confined for a drug related violation and have been arrested multiple times. Tazewell County reports that the commercial override technology has been successfully used in the state of Wyoming since 2002. A study of Wyoming’s use of this technology and its effectiveness in relation to recidivism indicated that inmates who were exposed to the positive

messages in place of regular television commercials were less likely to engage in repeat criminal behavior. It is the goal of Tazewell County to measure this program's effect on recidivism and, if successful, present it as a model program for county jails throughout the state.

Law Enforcement / Technology Improvement

Staff recommends designating a maximum of \$9,200 to the Lake County Sheriff's Office for the purpose of purchasing new video and audio enhancement software that will digitally enhance the audio and visual aspects of surveillance videos. Lake County reports that investigations and successful prosecutions are often hindered because most audio and video surveillance systems are of low resolution and provide little assistance in helping to identify offenders in crimes such as murder, kidnapping, armed robbery, burglary, and theft. The Lake County Sheriff's Office anticipates this new technology will further aid them in identifying offenders and gaining convictions.

JAG FFY08

Law Enforcement

Staff recommends designating a maximum of \$50,000 in FFY08 funds to the South Suburban Major Crimes Task Force (SSMCTF) for the purpose of continuing its operations to the residents of the south suburban area of Chicago for the next year. The SSMCTF is comprised of 60 municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies whose purpose is to combine resources to provide comprehensive investigative services in south suburban Cook and Will Counties whenever a member agency experiences a serious violent crime. The population of the SSMCTF jurisdiction is approximately 800,000. The SSMCTF has investigated over 30 homicides in 2010 and over 300 homicides during its seven years of operation.

The SSMCTF is headquartered in Chicago Ridge. The SSMCTF rents office space from that municipality and uses that space to contact, coordinate, and direct Task Force investigators in response to all requests for assistance from member agencies. It also provides the support services necessary for case management and meeting the mission of the organization. Maintaining these vital services requires a substantial outlay of resources. In addition to the rent expense for headquarters, the unit must maintain task force cellular phones for command staff, investigation coordinators, and investigators during the course of an investigation as well as replace and upgrade computer equipment for report writing, records storage, communications, and intelligence sharing. Additionally, the SSMCTF incurs major expenses for office equipment and supplies, internet service, utilities and investigators' training.

Typically, the SSMCTF is funded through membership fees. Many of the south suburban members have suffered financially these past few years. Consequently, the SSMCTF has also suffered. The SSMCTF seeks this one-time funding to help alleviate the effect of the financial downturn and sustain operations for one more year.

Summary of Available JAG FFY07 and FFY08 Funds

The table below describes funds that would be available assuming the adoption of the staff's recommendations described in the memo above:

Currently Available Funds	FFY07	FFY08
Local	\$87,760	\$1,560,314
State	\$1,330	\$0
Local Formula Fund Allocation	\$0	\$460,766
Interest Earned	\$598,766	\$16,521
Total	\$687,856	\$2,037,601
FFY Expiration Date	9/30/11	9/30/12

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

**JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANTS
FFY07 PLAN
ATTACHMENT A - *Adjusted 12/1/10***

JAG Purpose Area: LAW ENFORCEMENT

Program Title: Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Units	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Units</u>			
Blackhawk Area Task Force	\$69,579		
Central IL Enforcement Group	\$138,569		
DuPage County MEG	\$145,625		
East Central IL Task Force	\$107,122		
Joliet MANS	\$139,644		
Kankakee MEG	\$150,730		
Lake County MEG	\$271,209		
Southern IL Drug Task Force	\$201,393		
Multi-County MEG	\$71,179		
North Central Narcotic Task Force	\$139,670		
Quad-Cities MEG	\$31,895		
SLANT Task Force	\$119,996		
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force	\$85,064		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$134,002		
Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Ill.	\$467,598		
Southern Illinois Enforcement Group	\$142,498		
Vermilion County MEG	\$143,581		
West Central IL Task Force	\$133,389		
Zone 6 Task Force	\$64,106		
 <u>Project Title: Radio Support</u>			
Kankakee MEG	\$5,247		
Southern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$4,293		
West Central Illinois Task Force	\$4,293		
SLANT Task Force	\$4,293		
Southern Illinois Enforcement Group	\$3,816		
Vermilion County MEG	\$4,293		
Blackhawk Area Task Force	\$3,339		
Zone 6 Task Force	\$2,862		
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force	\$2,385		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$2,385		
Kendall County Police Area Task Force	\$1,908		

JAG Purpose Area: PROSECUTION AND COURT PROGRAMS

Program Title: Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Prosecution Program

<u>Project Title: Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Prosecution Program</u>	
DuPage County State's Attorney's Office	\$156,415
Kane County State's Attorney's Office	\$143,967
Lake County State's Attorney's Office	\$204,858
McHenry County State's Attorney's Office	\$83,394
Office of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor	\$440,486
St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office	\$108,003
Will County State's Attorney's Office	\$132,528
 <u>Project Title: Complex Drug Prosecutions</u>	
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$1,174,104

Program Title: Specialized Prosecution Initiatives	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: DNA Unit</u> Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$259,161		
<u>Project Title: Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project</u> Office of the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor	\$272,855		
Office of the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor	\$284,300		

Program Title: Specialized Defense Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project</u> Office of the State Appellate Defender	\$163,886		
<u>Project Title: Defense Services</u> Macon County Public Defender's Office	\$81,000		
<u>Project Title: Downstate Illinois Innocence Project</u> University of Illinois	\$40,000		

Program Title: Probation Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Innovative Probation Initiatives</u> Will County	\$112,000		
Tazewell County - 10th Judicial Circuit	\$74,000		
Lee County	\$41,000		
Kane County	\$25,000		

JAG Purpose Area: CORRECTIONS AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAMS

Program Title: Correctional Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Community-Based Residential Treatment for Adults</u> Illinois Department of Corrections	\$414,462		
<u>Project Title: Young Offender Re-entry Program</u> Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice	\$510,000		
Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice	\$459,000		
<u>Project Title: Community-based Transitional Services for Female Offenders</u> Illinois Department of Corrections	\$380,162		
Illinois Department of Corrections	\$190,081		
Lake County	\$20,000		
Cook County Social Services Department	\$70,000		
<u>Project Title: Anti-Violence Campaign</u> Tazewell County Jail	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000

JAG Purpose Area: DRUG TREATMENT AND ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS

Program Title: Residential Treatment	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: Women's Residential Treatment Programs</u> Haymarket Center	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000

JAG Purpose Area: PLANNING, EVALUATION, AND TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT

Program Title: Information Systems	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: Information Network for Victim Service Providers</u> Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	\$334,996		
<u>Project Title: Audio/Visual Enhancement</u> Lake County Sheriff's Office	\$0	\$9,200	\$9,200

Program Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety

<u>Project Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety</u> TBD	\$812,159		
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JAG Purpose Area: CRIME VICTIM AND WITNESS PROGRAMS

Program Title: Law Enforcement and Prosecutor-Based Victim Assistance Program:

<u>Project Title: Law Enforcement and Prosecutor-Based Victim Assistance Services</u>	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
# Cook County State's Attorney's Office - Underserved	\$208,000		
# Cook County State's Attorney's Office - Juvenile	\$148,031		
# Cook County State's Attorney's Office - Senior/Disabled Victims & Compensation	\$229,351		
# Cook County State's Attorney's Office - Generalists	\$342,447		
# Cook County State's Attorney's Office - Homicide	\$129,099		

JAG Purpose Area: PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Program Title: Community Violence Prevention

<u>Project Title: Crimes Against Seniors</u> Illinois State Police	\$180,377		
<u>Program Title: Illinois Balanced and Restorative Justice Project</u> Rockford Public School Dist. #205	\$20,000	\$0	(\$20,000)
Governor's State University	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000

UNALLOCATED FUNDS

Unallocated - Discretionary

Undesignated Local		\$366,960	\$87,760	(\$279,200)
Undesignated State		\$1,330		
<i>Undesignated Interest</i>	<i>As of 12/1/10</i>	<i>\$580,741</i>	<i>\$598,766</i>	<i>\$18,025</i>

Unallocated - Formula Allocations

Undesignated Local Formula Funds		\$0		
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ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS

Administration

Administration Funds		\$1,059,887		
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TOTAL		\$13,050,003	\$13,068,028	\$18,025
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**JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANTS
FFY08 PLAN
ATTACHMENT A - *Adjusted 12/1/10***

JAG Purpose Area: LAW ENFORCEMENT

Program Title: Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Units	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: Radio Support</u>			
Kankakee MEG	\$5,247		
Southern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$4,293		
West Central Illinois Task Force	\$4,293		
SLANT Task Force	\$4,293		
Southern Illinois Enforcement Group	\$3,816		
Vermilion County MEG	\$4,293		
Blackhawk Area Task Force	\$3,339		
Zone 6 Task Force	\$2,862		
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force	\$2,385		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$2,385		
Kendall County Police Area Task Force	\$1,908		

Program Title: Task Force Support

<u>Project Title: Task Force Support</u>			
South Suburban Major Crimes Task Force	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000

JAG Purpose Area: PROSECUTION AND COURT PROGRAMS

Program Title: Specialized Prosecution Initiatives

<u>Project Title: DNA Unit</u>			
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$271,238		

Program Title: Specialized Defense Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project</u>			
Office of the State Appellate Defender	\$189,529		

Program Title: Probation Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Innovative Probation Initiatives</u>			
Tazewell County	\$24,503		
Lee County	\$41,000		

<u>Project Title: Community-based Transitional Services for Female Offenders</u>			
Cook County Adult Probation	\$164,162		

JAG Purpose Area: PREVENTION AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Program Title: Community Violence Prevention	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: Residential Programs for Formerly Incarcerated men and Women</u> St. Leonard's House and Grace House	\$125,000		

JAG Purpose Area: PLANNING, EVALUATION, AND TECHNOLOGY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

Program Title: Evaluation

<u>Project Title: Drug Strategy Impact Evaluation</u> Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	\$682,900		
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JAG Purpose Area: CORRECTIONS AND COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROGRAMS

Program Title: Correctional Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Community-Based Residential Treatment for Adults</u> Illinois Department of Corrections	\$414,462		
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UNALLOCATED FUNDS

Unallocated - Discretionary

Undesignated Local	\$1,610,314	\$1,560,314	(\$50,000)
Undesignated State	\$0		
<i>Undesignated Interest</i>	<i>\$16,521</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$16,521</i>
Interest Allocation			
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	\$88,966		
<i>Total Interest as of 12/1/10:</i>	<i>\$105,487</i>		

Unallocated - Formula Allocations

Undesignated Local Formula Funds	\$460,766		
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ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS

Administration

Administration Funds	\$365,456		
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TOTAL	\$4,388,444	\$4,404,965	\$16,521
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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Ron Reichgelt, Acting Associate Director, Federal & State Grants Unit

Date: November 19, 2010

Re: Federal and State Grants Unit Report – December 3, 2010 Authority Meeting

The staff assigned to the Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU) performed the following activities during the period of August 1, 2010 to October 31, 2010. During this period, FSGU headcount remained at 18.

Grant Activities

During the reporting period, FSGU staff monitored 467 grants, representing approximately \$84,082,503 in grant funds. Monitoring included the following:

- Reviewing (2,316) monthly or quarterly reports: (1,463) data and (853) fiscal;
- Initiating disbursement of funds requested by grantees;
- Conducting (approximately 34) 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
- Engaging in constant daily contact with our grantees to resolve grant-related technical assistance issues. This includes telephonic, e-mail, and on site contacts with grantees that requested assistance regarding issues relating to their grant(s). Staff also receives 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 159 new agreements (grants), representing \$18,939,555 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 four meetings:

- The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (IMVTPC) conducted meetings on August 27, 2010, September 15, 2010, and October 27, 2010 in Chicago.
- The Victim Services Ad Hoc Committee met on August 18 and 19 of 2010 to discuss goals, objective, and priorities for the victim services funds that the Authority receives the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funds and the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA).

Conferences

- The Authority hosted the Smarter Solutions Summit on September 22 and 23 in XX, Illinois.
- Three staff members attended The National Association of VOCA Administrative Assistance conference in Dearborn, Michigan on September 14-16, 2010.

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 Awards

Between August 1 and October 31, 2010, the Authority received the following seven awards from the federal government:

Program	Date Received	Amount
National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) FFY10	August 2, 2010	\$324,000
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) FFY10	August 13, 2010	\$16,464,282
National Forensic Science Improvement Act (NFSIA) FFY10	August 30, 2010	\$952,434
Post-Conviction DNA Testing Program (PDNAT) FFY10	August 31, 2010	\$687,448
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) FFY10	September 1, 2010	\$4,846,712
NICS Act Record Improvement Program (NARIP) FFY10	September 2, 2010	\$1,209,500
Sexual Assault Services Program (VAWA SASP) FFY10	September 16, 2010	\$247,963

Other Activities

- 1) In support of the Authority's Strategic Plan, staff continues to prioritize projects and activities as well as develop strategies to best incorporate the Authority's Action Plan initiatives into unit operations.
- 2) During the reporting period, FSGU continued to operate without a full staff. Executive staff is pursuing the hiring process with expectations of returning the unit to full strength. On an individual basis, staff members have continued to handle increased grant loads, train the new employees, and perform other responsibilities, pending the filling of vacant positions.
- 3) Staff continually updates Attachment A's, fact sheets (program/fund information sheets), funding charts, and other items on the Authority's Internet and Intranet sites.
- 4) Staff is examining ways to improve the public's access via the Internet to information relating to programs that receive funds from the Authority and to information about the individual grantees. This is part of an on-going process aimed at making the Authority's activities more open and transparent to the general public.
- 5) FSGU staff is continuing to work and meet with the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit as well as other state and local agencies, such as the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, jail-based mental health services, community-based transitional services for female offenders, and juvenile reporting centers to advance common goals and projects.
- 6) Staff has been working closely with Fiscal Management staff to close out the following federal awards:
 - A) Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) FFY 2004.
 - B) VAWA Rural FFY 2008.
 - C) National Forensic Sciences Improvement Act (NFSIA) FFY 2008.
 - D) Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) FFY2007.
 - E) President-Elect Security Assistance Reimbursement (PESAR) FFY 2009.
 - F) Project Safe Neighborhoods – Central Division (PSNC) FFY 2007.
 - G) Project Safe Neighborhoods / Anti-Gang Initiative – Central Division (PSN-AGIC) FFY 2007
 - H) Project Safe Neighborhoods / Anti-Gang Initiative – Northern Division (PSN-AGIN) FFY 2007.
 - I) Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Act (RSAT) FFY 2006 and FFY 2007.
- 7) Staff continues to be involved in post-Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) Summit activities, including the Illinois BARJ initiative.
- 8) As part of the Authority's on-going efforts to upgrade its information systems, staff has worked with the Information Services Unit and the Research and Analysis Unit to design a new E-Grant database system. Testing on a beta version began in May and revisions are in-process. The new E-Grant system (eGMIS) will replace the current Grant Management Information System (GMIS). Progress has been delayed because both systems have had to be modified to accommodate ARRA-specific information for ARRA grants and ARRA-related duties have demanded that staff divert efforts away from this project.
- 9) Staff has been heavily focused on ARRA planning, administration, RFPs, and technical aspects of ARRA compliance.



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To: Authority Members
From: Edith Feliciano
Date: November 10, 2010
Re: Summary of Human Resources Activities

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

Recruitment, Screening and Hiring

Electronic Personnel Action Requests (EPARs) were 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.

Criminal Justice Specialist II – Opt. 2 position was filled by contractual right employee on August 16, 2010. Executive I (Motor Vehicle) position was filled by Temporary Appointment on September 1, 2010. Administrative Assistant I (Inter-grated Justice System) position will not filled due to budgetary constraints. Technical Advisor II positions were filled on July 7, 2010 and July 12, 2010. Personal Service Contract Adult Redeploy Coordinator was filled on July 1, 2010. The Executive Director for the Adult Redeploy was filled on August 1, 2010 and the Technical Advisors were filled on September 1, 2010.

Employee Benefits

- Provided staff with disability leave information. Processed all related Medical/Administrative paperwork
- Tracked ongoing leaves
- Processed several Deferred Compensation transactions
- Assisting employees with questions regarding their SERS status and/or reciprocal Benefits

- SECA Campaign

Salaries & Compensation

- Assisted in continued bi-monthly payroll processing for 75 employees
- Issued time balance reports monthly to payroll and contractual employees
- Continued to check timesheets of federally funded employees for correct time certification reports
- Assisted Shared Services by giving documentation and communicating changes for ICJIA
- Assisted Acting CFO with July, August, and September headcount Report.

Equal Employment Opportunities

- Submitted the Fourth Quarterly Report for FY2010
- Training will be ongoing for Affirmative Action Planning for our agency in order to met and attain our hiring goals
- Affirmative Action Plan FY11

Staff Development & Training

- Harassment & Conflict Resolution Training/DHR
- Continued to provide staff with development tools now available in library for use

Other Miscellaneous Projects

- Working with all unit directors to update organization charts to submit to CMS
- Working with unit directors to identify any classification issues
- Working with CMS classifications to establish and clarify job descriptions
- 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 FY2010
- AFSCME Report/Vendor Contract Spreadsheet
- AFSCME Voluntary Furlough Day Report (April, May, June)
- Affirmative Action Plan FY11



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Herbert Johnson
IIJIS Project Manager

Date: November 16, 2010

Re: Illinois Integrated Justice Information System Project Update
August 2010 through November 2010

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 October 27, 2010. At this meeting the Implementation Board approved and adopted the new IIJIS Strategic Direction for Enterprise Information Sharing 2009-2012. The document will serve as the new strategic plan for IIJIS. The Implementation Board welcomed as new member, Mr. Mark Wilkans from the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police. The Board also established a task force to help develop a new web survey tool that would provide real time data monitoring.

Planning and Policy Committee

- The Planning & Policy Committee met on September 16th, 2010 and October 21, 2010. The Committee has begun a discussion on the need for a resolution, recommendation or legislative enactment which will give IIJIS some oversight into the integrated criminal justice information sharing practices and planning throughout the state of Illinois. The oversight would provide a set of policy guidelines versus policies to ensure that organizations are integrating and sharing information. The Committee has set and developed its 12-month action plan that will begin with a review of the Gap Analysis and the development of some possible policy statements. The Committee is also investigating to determine how its work is either incorporated or duplicated by the ICJIA Summit Workgroup on Information Sharing. The Planning and Policy Committee Chair is the Co-Chair of the Workgroup.



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Funding Committee

- The Funding Committee meets the second Thursday of each month, and met September 9, 2010 and October 14, 2010. The Committee is continuing in its recruitment efforts and still hopes to get a representative from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) grants unit to participate on the Funding Committee. The Committee has established an alliance with the Outreach Committee by which Deana Williamson from the Outreach Committee will participate with the Funding Committee and Vicki Rogers, Chair of the Funding Committee, will participate with the Outreach Committee. Both Committee's are working together to develop a new recruitment flyer, and the Funding Committee is developing a complete list of foundations and institutions to invite to the Briefing Session.

Technical Committee

- The Technical Committee met on October 7, 2010. The meeting was held in conjunction with the Outreach Committee to help identify the appropriate technical contacts at the local, county and state agencies to assist in identifying current and planned projects and best practices. The Committee is awaiting baseline information from the IIJIS Survey to obtain a better understanding of the existing technology environment. The Committee plans to conduct a Gap Analysis to determine the needs for infrastructure and program enhancements, data exchange points, and missing operational components statewide.

Outreach Committee

- The Outreach Committee met on October 7, 2010. The Committee has finalized the eNewsletter and some distribution has taken place. The eNewsletter went out as a link on the Authority Dispatch mailing. The Committee has participated in joint meetings with both the Funding and Technical Committees to assist them in their recruitment efforts. There have been several meetings regarding the IIJIS Funding Briefing Session. There are a number of potential locations mentioned for hosting the session and the proposed date is either early 2011 or the day before the opening of the 2011 IIJIS Summit on Integration. The intent of the session is to identify and engage potential funders to the information sharing and criminal justice integration efforts being conducted in Illinois.

Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Anthony Jenkins
Date: November 15, 2010
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 eighteen (118) victim service providers use InfoNet as their data collection and reporting system. This includes 67 domestic violence programs, 37 sexual assault centers, and 14 child advocacy centers. Since the last quarterly report, the InfoNet team continued to improve the efficiency and performance of the system for its users. Some specific accomplishments during the past quarter follow.

ICJIA staff continued to provide training and technical assistance to users during the quarter. An estimated 250 technical assistance calls were responded to by staff, and two InfoNet trainings were held since the last quarterly report. One training was held for Management Information Systems (MIS) staff at the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS) on August 24, 2010 in Springfield. Although other DHS staff from the Bureau of Domestic and Sexual Violence Prevention (DSVP) are already familiar with InfoNet as they use the system regularly to monitor their own grantees' performance, there was benefit to training staff with stronger technical backgrounds. MIS staff wanted to better understand InfoNet so they could assist DSVP staff utilize the data more efficiently and help them use it for broader purposes such as establishing funding priorities and identifying service gaps. This training focused on the technical aspects of InfoNet, the data infrastructure, and how to extract data from InfoNet in different formats. Another training was held for domestic violence program staff at the Center for Women in Transition. This training was held on August 26, 2010 in Urbana. Nine staff, including the program director, attended this training that focused on how to enter data, generate data reports, and how to use the data displayed in the reports.

Staff also continues to respond to requests for InfoNet data. During the quarter, InfoNet data were compiled in response to two requests – one from the Cook County Circuit Court's Domestic Violence Division and another from LifeSpan Domestic Violence Program in Des Plaines.

Staff also spent time analyzing the last three years of InfoNet data collected by the state's domestic violence and sexual assault programs. Notable findings and trends were presented to participants of ICJIA's Victim Ad Hoc Committee at their meeting on August 18, 2010, in Chicago. This information helped inform participants about recent, notable changes regarding the nature and extent of domestic violence and sexual assault in Illinois.

Staff also spent time compiling InfoNet data for several annual reports coming due to different federal agencies in the near future. Two sets of data were prepared for the federal Office for Victims of Crime (OVC); one reflecting activity of ICJIA's victim assistance grantees with VOCA funds and another reflecting only those activities supported with VOCA ARRA funds. Additionally, data were compiled in preparation for the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services for the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) Report. These data reflect activity by FVPSA grantees during FFY10. Federal FVPSA funds are administered and monitored by Illinois' DHS.

The InfoNet developers also worked on several tasks during the quarter to improve InfoNet's utility and performance. Some tasks were reported in last quarter's report but work continues, and some new tasks were begun during the quarter. These include the following:

- 1) Completed first draft for converting an existing report for domestic violence program users (known as the Client Income Management Report) to a newer technology known as Dot.Net. This report is undergoing the first round of testing. Pending successful testing, this upgraded report will be posted to the live system.
- 2) Staff have completed testing a new Internet security software product and have begun the transition of shifting users to this new product to protect InfoNet's data. The software currently used by users (since 2002), is no longer being produced or upgraded. This transition involves configuring new hardware and software, developing and properly distributing user names and passwords, training users and directors how to use the new software, and developing instructional materials for user staff as well as program directors.
- 3) Testing continued on a 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 is hoping to post to the live site by the end of this year.
- 4) Testing continued on an upgrade that combines several databases for centers that have had some sites close, new sites open, and others that have merged as one center. This was a complex task in that over 100 tables from different databases

must be combined so that client and service records from multiple databases are preserved and correspond to the correct site.

- 5) Testing has begun for an upgrade that allows funding agencies (ICADV, ICASA, and DHS) to run aggregated reports for one agency including its main center and satellite offices with just one click. Currently, if a funder wants to generate an aggregate data report for an agency with four different locations, they must click four buttons (one for each site). This can become quite cumbersome for someone who must do this for many agencies, so the upgrade will result in substantial time savings for funders once it is posted to the live system.
- 6) Work has begun upgrading another management report used by domestic violence program users (known as the Client/Staff Service Report) to the newer Dot.Net technology. This is the last report requiring such a conversion. Once this task is complete, InfoNet will be 100% upgraded to the newer technology. This will improve overall system performance and allow the team to complete more advanced, yet user-friendly upgrades. It should also eliminate system errors that occasionally occur due to these technological inconsistencies.

Systems Support:

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

The Authority is using the software package called Websense Web Security. This program analyzes and secures web traffic in real-time, enabling safe use of the latest Web 2.0 sites and tools. The Web Security Gateway adds on-premise, proxy-based content analysis of Web and SSL traffic. The software generates reports that displays classes called Risk Class, the classes contain information on the following groups: Productivity Loss, Business Usage, Network Bandwidth Loss, Security Risk, and Legal Liability. These reports were generated and analyzed by the Authority's executive staff.

The Authority's Help Desk Remedy program is a problem request tracking system. It allows the Authority to track information about itself as well as internal and external requests placed upon our technical support staff. This information is tracked using various Remedy applications. Total number of Remedy Tickets for this quarter is three hundred and thirty four.

System support and management staff members are continuing to work on updating our Disaster Recovery Plan; we are working on the identification of personnel that will be assigned to the Information Systems disaster contingency plan team. These individuals

will have responsibilities in assisting in the recovery of the essential applications; they will have clear guidelines outlining their responsibilities. The plan provides guidelines for ensuring that needed personnel and resources are available for both disaster preparation, response time, and that the proper steps will be carried out to permit the timely restoration of services.

ISU support staff has setup the Small Conference room with Videoconferencing technology, which will enable ICJIA staff members to attend Web conferencing to conduct live meetings, training, or presentations via the Internet.

Staff has been working with the new SPAC director Kathy Saltmarsh on setting up her system and email in Springfield, and at the Authority's 300 W Adams location. Staff is also working on setting up Director Saltmarsh with a VPN connection on her workstation in Springfield, so she can login to the Authority's network for file sharing.

Hardware:

System support Staff has installed USB Disk Ejector on nine DELL Lap tops for use at the Summit. This program allows you to quickly remove USB devices in Windows. ISU Staff is using a program called n2ncopy to load up 250 flash drives that will be passed out at the Summit; this program is designed to help us copy multiple files or folders to multiple destinations with only one command.

Staff is updating all of the IBM laptops Microsoft Office software to office 2007.

Applications:

Web Development:

Our webmaster continue to update the Authority's ISU Tech Notes Resource Center on our intranet site, this section highlight useful computer related resources and tips, and tries to demystify technology and help people understand the new gizmos, and procedures.

Staff is planning to implement an application called 'Slidedeck' as a top banner for the website. SlideDeck is a powerful slider plug-in made for web designers. With SlideDeck, you can organize any type of web content into a beautiful and user-friendly slider.

The Webmaster has updated the Summit site to include the bios of the participants. Worked with R&A staff member Mark Powers to include an additional data set table that will display the grant monies awarded by county.

Staff is continuing to work on the Authority's CJ DataNet redesign. Staff implemented the initial (static) pages on the website. Web staff is working with R&A staff members to create a design document for the next phase. In addition to dynamic data displays on the

website, we'll work to implement interactive Google-based mapping for user generated queries.

MARS (Motor Vehicle Automated Reporting System):

Staff has been working with the MARS project manager on creating a MARS Mgr Project module. This module will contain the reports managers will need to assist them in monitoring.

GMIS (Grants Management Information System):

GMIS is used to administer and track grants and other procurement actions. GMIS acts as a planning tool and as a data management tool. GMIS keeps track of grant-specific information such as: Fiscal information, Data collected from grantees reports detailing program activities/effectiveness, Grantee contact information, and Grant/grantee tasks and due dates. The data in GMIS provides accurate reports detailing grant, grantee and, monitor activities and information.

ISU programming staff is continuing to work on the GMIS system, Staff members are having meeting with FSGU and Fiscal staff on implementing changes when needed, until the new version of GMIS has been released.

eGMIS (Electronic Grants Management Information System):

ISU programming staff is continuing to work on the eGMIS system, Staff members are having meeting with FSGU and Fiscal staff on implementing a Beta version 3.0 of the eGMIS application. Staff has completed work on the eGMIS version for visually impaired users; this version has all black and white screens.

CLARIS (Clandestine Lab Reporting Information System):

Programming staff continues to support the applications/databases code and repair problems as they arise.

Clandestine Lab Reporting Information System (CLARIS) is a web-based data collection system for reporting and analysis of methamphetamine lab seizure data used mainly by law enforcement agencies in Illinois. With CLARIS, remote users access the program and centralized database at the Authority using a Web-browser.

CLARIS is used by the Illinois Meth Response Teams and other drug enforcement groups who perform methamphetamine lab seizures. Data collected is submitted to Illinois State Police for analysis. Agencies also use CLARIS to file the required EPIC report, and to perform local monthly and annual statistical tabulations

The data will be useful in determining, among other criteria, the types, numbers, and locations of laboratories seized; manufacturing trends; precursor and chemical sources;

the number of children and law enforcement officers affected; and investigative leads. The data may also be useful to agencies in justifying and allocating current or future resources.

Staff has tested and released the Version 2.6. This version makes a major change for the [Add Seizure] Page and addresses ISP concerns on EPIC's duplicate incident rules,

Miscellaneous Programming:

Staff has creates an Purchase Order tracking system, this application stores all P.O records and information about vendor, supplier, distributor, seller and other related person. This GUI based system saves entries and eliminates duplicate entries, and it is Password protected which will prevent unauthorized access. The reporting system will generate a P.O. form that looks just like the forms that the Authority purchases. We are currently waiting for the Office of Administration services Directory to approve the final version.

Staff has modified the Authority's timesheet system that records, organizes and calculates executive staff work hours. Changes that were made were due to the furlough program, staff needed to add two more columns (paid vacation furlough day and paid personal furlough day).



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Hank Anthony, Associate Director for Administrative Services
Date: November 19, 2010
Re: Summary of Office of Administrative Services Activities

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



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Dreena S. Jones, Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: December 3, 2010
Re: Summary of Office of Fiscal Management Activities

The following highlights the work by the Office of Fiscal Management for the Fiscal Year 2011 through October 31, 2010.

Reports

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

- Quarterly Federal Financial Status Reports (SF 425'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.
- Monthly reports for funding and expenditures for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grants.
- Quarterly analysis report preparation for the Governor's Office of Management and Budget.

Federal Grants

- Conducted preliminary budget reviews of approximately 164 interagency agreements.
- Processed 107 contract obligation documents (\$19,996,141) and 421 vouchers (\$14,429,853) for federal grants to state and local governments and not-for-profit agencies.



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General Agency Obligations

- Completed the obligation, expenditure and cash reconciliations for five funds.
- Established Appropriation authority for FY 2011.

Other Agency Issues

- The Fiscal department completed various fiscal year end tasks in a timely manner.
- Welcomed the new CFO, Dreena S. Jones, on October 1, 2010.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Board Members

From: Lisa Stephens, General Counsel

Date: November 12, 2010

Office of the General Counsel Report for the December 3, 2010 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 168 grant interagency agreements, amendments and revisions, grantee contracts with vendors, sub recipients, procurement documents, etc.

OGC staff continues to keep abreast of all the ARRA requirements and attend all relevant ARRA related meetings.

OGC staff is revising the FSGU Financial Guidelines consisting of creating a summary of all grants and creating a chart of the grant process.

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.



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Motor Vehicle Trust Fund Suit

The Property and Casualty Insurance Association of America (PICCA) filed a suit in the State of Illinois in 2006. The Governor and other top Illinois State Officials (the State) are named as defendants. The suit asks for the return of over \$6 million of monies removed from the fund and for an injunction barring further removal of funds from the Trust Fund.

An agreed court order between the plaintiff and defendants was entered on June 6, 2006. The State agreed that no money would be withdrawn from the fund and the plaintiff agreed to withdraw its motion for preliminary injunction.

The defendants filed a motion to dismiss all counts of the complaint which was heard and denied in October 2006. The plaintiffs filed a motion for summary judgment which was denied in January 2008. Another similar case, A.B.A.T.E of Illinois v. the State (ABATE) stayed the legal proceedings of PICCA and there are no legal proceedings proposed or undertaken to date.

In ABATE, a group of motorcyclists challenged the transfer of money from the Cycle Ryder Safety Training Fund to the General Revenue Fund pursuant to the Fiscal Year 2004 and Fiscal Year 2005 Budget Implementation Acts. The trial court rejected the ABATE's constitutional and statutory challenges and granted a motion for summary judgment for the State. ABATE filed an appeal with the Illinois Appellate Court, Fourth Judicial District. The appellate court affirmed the motion for summary judgment granted by the trial court.

It is reasonably possible the ABATE case may impact the eventual outcome of the PICCA case in a decision favorable for the State. The Office of General Counsel states that the impact may be nominal because there are distinguishing issues of property and trust law in the trial and appeal in ABATE that are not relevant to the PICCA litigation. The plaintiff in ABATE also argued theories and law not addressed by the appellate court in ABATE.

Legislation

OGC submitted two legislative proposals for the upcoming legislative session to the Governor's office. The first proposal is the renewal of the authorizing statute for the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention council which is due to sunset 2012. The second proposal is a trailer bill to P.A. 96-1368, which was intended to bring the State of Illinois in compliance with federal law requirements relating to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System in order to secure future federal grant funding. The trailer bill addresses residual concerns identified by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. OGC continues to track other legislation of interest to the Authority.



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Requests for Information

The OGC responded to 19 Freedom of Information Act Requests and a variety of general requests for information.

Meetings, Boards and Conferences

Sean O'Brien, Deputy General Counsel, attended the 2010 NAVA Conference in Dearborn, MI. Sean also developed a procedure to meet the new Transparency Act Reporting requirements. Associate General Counsel, Junaid Afeef, is working with the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council providing advice and counsel generally. Additionally, Junaid continues to serve as the secretary to the ICJIA's Institutional Review Board.

Junaid Afeef and Andrew Tessman made a presentation to the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council concerning renewing the authorizing statute for the council. Additionally, Andrew has provided legal research and analysis on a variety of topics of interest and significance to the Authority. Andrew drafted two legislative proposals for review with the Governor's office for the upcoming legislative session. Additionally, Andrew researched and authored a legal memorandum on an issue of statutory interpretation that was adopted as a legal standard by the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board.

Associate General Counsel, Simeon Kim, continues to lead the criminal offense index project where we are compiling an index of all criminal offenses and sentences in Illinois. A rough draft has been presented to the Sentencing Policy Advisory Committee (SPAC) and we are awaiting feedback. Once completed, the index will be made available on our website and distributed to judges throughout the state.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Board Members
From: Cristin Monti Evans, Public Information Officer
Date: November 19, 2010
Re: Office of Public Information Report for the December 3, 2010, 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:

- Completed edit and design of five *Get the Facts* documents.
 - *Get the Facts* – Juvenile justice system: Juvenile records/expungement
 - *Get the Facts* – Criminal justice system: Criminal records
 - *Get the Facts* – Criminal justice system: Arrests
 - *Get the Facts* – Criminal justice system: Corrections
 - *Get the Facts* – Criminal justice system: Victims' rights

Get the Facts is a two-page Q&A fact sheet that answers frequently asked questions from the public on a variety of adult and juvenile criminal justice topics. R&A and OPI staff plan to publish online one Q&A sheet (PDF) on a new topic each month through December 2010. Now available online are:

- *Get the Facts* - Juvenile justice system: Pretrial
- *Get the Facts* - Juvenile justice system: Arrests
- *Get the Facts* - Juvenile justice system: Courts
- *Get the Facts* - Juvenile justice system: Detention
- *Get the Facts* - Juvenile justice system: Corrections

- Completed design and editing of and coordinated distribution of IJIS newsletter.

Other activities. OPI also:

- Provided a variety of assistance in message and material development for ICJIA Strategic Planning Initiative, including:
 - Creating event signage.
 - Editing all content, including bios, evidence-based practice research papers, and program snapshots.
 - Coordinating printing of materials distributed at event.
 - Writing and distributing press release, “*ICJIA Kicks Off Statewide Criminal Justice Planning Initiative to Address Crime Prevention, Law Enforcement.*”
 - Overseeing media outreach, which garnered Associated Press news placement in 14 media outlets across the state, including the Chicago Tribune, Daily Herald, and WBBM-CBS.
- Edited ICJIA’s final report to the Sentencing Policy Advisory Council (SPAC).
- Edited and coordinated publishing of public notice, “*ICJIA requests grant proposals for interface capabilities with Illinois State Police I-CASE/I-CLEAR system.*” Notice was published in the Breeze Courier, the official state newspaper, Oct. 7 and 8.
- Edited DuPage Metropolitan Enforcement Group profile.
- Edited Research Report, “*Post-traumatic stress disorder and victimization among female prisoners in Illinois,*” written by Senior Research Analyst Jessica Reichert and Research Analyst Lindsay Bostwick.
- Edited Research Report on Safety Net Works program.
- Wrote 1,200-word article for *Command Magazine* – official publication of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police – on ICJIA statewide planning initiative and two-day summit.
- Coordinated media requests from reporters seeking information and/or data on ICJIA’s strategic planning initiative, residential burglary, disproportionate minority contact among juveniles, prescription drug abuse/arrests, and inmate confinement costs.
- Continued planning with webmaster to redesign ICJIA website and utilize social media outlets to publicize ICJIA resources, publications, research, requests for proposals, and other initiatives.
- Edited the CJ Dispatch, e-mailed monthly to ICJIA website users.



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To: Authority Members

From: Mark Myrent, Associate Director
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Date: November 15, 2010

Re: Research and Analysis Unit Report for the December 2010 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. Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority Strategic Planning Initiative – Summit Follow-up

On September 22nd and 23rd, ICJIA staff convened a large group of criminal justice professionals, lawmakers, and policymakers from across Illinois at the Criminal Justice Planning Summit. At this event, participants reviewed current challenges in the adult justice system based on the experiences of policymakers, practitioners, and others in the field, and on the latest research. They also identified priorities for a statewide strategy for criminal justice policy, funding initiatives, and justice research in the coming years. This effort is the first since 2001 to create and implement a strategic criminal justice plan for the state of Illinois. Several panelists, from both Illinois and across the country, presented strategies from law enforcement, courts, probation, and community members that can potentially be adopted within local Illinois jurisdictions.

ICJIA partnered with several key state and national criminal justice and human services agencies to gather information and guide planning for the summit, including the Illinois Department of Corrections, Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice, Illinois Department of Human Services, Illinois State Police, Illinois Department of Child and Family Services, and the National Criminal Justice Association, Justice and Research Statistics Association, and Pew Research Center. Other partners include representatives of the state's mental health, law enforcement, judicial and court services, and criminal justice associations.

Staff completed several fact-finding strategies to pinpoint critical criminal justice issues and the most effective and efficient evidence-based policies, practices, and programs in Illinois and across the nation. These include reviewing existing statewide strategic plans from around the country to identify areas for potential replication and lessons learned, interviews with state

justice and human service association leaders to solicit information about critical issues facing their communities, and workgroups with representatives of the academic and policy advocacy communities. Staff also collected existing needs assessment data, reports, survey findings, and other information reflective of current justice trends in Illinois that could be used to support the development of the summit agenda and the strategic plan.

In the end, this initiative will result in a coordinated statewide, data-driven strategic approach to crime reduction and justice system investment. This effort and the subsequent working sessions, which will take place in January and February 2011, will increase the investment all facets of the justice system have in planning for a more organized and strategic effort to reduce crime and increase public health and safety. The plan will be released in July 2011.

B. Evidence Based Practices Initiative

As part of ICJIA's movement toward endorsing promising and evidence-based practices, staff have begun to develop an online portal of promising and evidence-based juvenile and criminal justice practices. The resource will serve as a tool for potential and current grantees and other state and local program administrators. The components of this online resource will include:

- Descriptions of and links to existing online repositories and searchable databases of promising and evidence-based practices.
- Descriptions of and links to existing online technical assistance manuals and guides for identifying promising and evidence-based practices.
- Summaries of selected promising and evidence-based practices from meta-analyses and evaluations.
- Snapshots of selected current Illinois practices, resulting from current promising and/or evidence-based initiatives, which can be applied to the implementation of other promising or evidence-based programs. To contextualize the snapshots in order to provide an effective mechanism for knowledge transfer, program officials were asked to address the following implementation issues:

- √ How did you know you had a problem?
- √ What was the problem you needed to address?
- √ Who was the leader in addressing the problem? Has that changed through the life of the strategy?
- √ How did you determine your strategy (policy, program, or practice) for addressing the problem?
- √ What are the core components of your strategy that make it effective?
- √ Who are the key partners?
- √ How much did it cost?
- √ What type of reorganization of existing resources did you undertake?
- √ How did you garner public support for your strategy?
- √ In retrospect, what would you have done differently to plan for, develop, and implement your strategy?
- √ How do you know your strategy is working?

Local contact information for program leaders was also provided. This information has begun to be placed on the agency website. More will be posted as additional evidence-based practices material is identified, and as tools are developed to facilitate the implementation process.

C. Risks, Assets, and Needs Assessment (RANA) Task Force Support

The Crime Reduction Act, signed into law in August 2009, created the Risks, Assets, and Needs Assessment (RANA) Task Force to adopt a standardized assessment instrument for the state criminal justice system. The goal of the Task Force is to find the best possible assessment instrument/system to be used at all levels of the Illinois criminal justice system to improve public safety outcomes. The task force has conducted a national overview of commonly used assessment tools, including LSI-R (which is used in Illinois), COMPAS, and Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS), and how they are used to structure case plans and supervision/sanction strategies. They have also reviewed the assessment instruments currently used by the courts and corrections agencies in Illinois. To aid in these objectives, the task force convened an advisory group with community-level representatives, researchers, the bar association, sex offender management board, and legislators. Authority staff serve on the task force, and have assisted in selecting criteria by which to assess the different instruments including: the inclusion of criminogenic domains, the validity and reliability of the assessment instrument, its utility at different points in the justice system, its adaptability to existing agency data systems, costs, and ease of implementation and training. During the reporting period a Request for Information (RFI) was issued in order to identify the overall capabilities of vendors to meet these criteria. Following a review of the RFI responses, a Request for Proposal (RFP) will be issued with the goal of selecting an instrument for implementation by April 2011.

D. Policies and Procedures of the Illinois Criminal Justice System

Staff have begun work on a step-by-step walkthrough of the general practices, processes, and procedures of the Illinois criminal justice system, from arrest through community supervision. The report is intended to mirror the already published Juvenile Walkthrough and will include detailed information on assessments, diversion, and special issues. The report will be provided to an advisory committee of experts including judges, police, attorneys, and professionals in the field to review for accuracy. A report is expected to be complete by May 2011.

E. Anne's House Program Evaluation

ICJIA staff will complete a process evaluation of Anne's House during year one of program operations. The residential home, operated by Salvation Army can accommodate up to eight women and girls aged 12-21 years old who are domestic (non-international) victims of commercial sexual exploitation. The home provides a safe nurturing residential environment along with long-term trauma treatment, life skills training, spiritual support, education, anger management, money management, and recreational activities. The evaluation will describe the program's services and its participants, as well as gain input from staff.

There will be five components to the research: Component 1 will be a description of the program and its participants; Component 2 will be case file review of program participants; Component 3 will be a client satisfaction survey; Component 4 will be interviews with adult program staff; and Component 5 will be a description of similar homes around the country. An application to be submitted to the Institutional Review Board has been drafted and a meeting of the board to review the research will be scheduled for December 2010. A final report will be completed after a year of program operations and is estimated for January 2012.

F. Inventory of Employment Restrictions on Persons with Criminal Records

Illinois House Bill 2474, which was recently signed into law, directs the Authority, under the direction of a task force, to review the statutes, administrative rules, policies, and practices that restrict employment of persons with a criminal history, and to report to the Governor and the General Assembly those employment restrictions and their impact on employment opportunities for people having those criminal records. All state agencies are required to submit a report that describes restrictions for employment within the agency; in facilities licensed, regulated, supervised, or funded by the agency; and in occupations that the agency licenses or provides certifications to practice. Agencies are required to report, among other data, specific disqualifying offenses delineated in these statutes, rules, and policies - and time limits for each offense. If the agency is afforded discretion in determining disqualifying offenses, the criteria used by the agency must be reported (for example, whether disqualifying offenses are related to the practice of a given profession, considered an act of "moral turpitude", or one that calls into question "good moral character"). Agencies are also required to describe any exemptions, waivers, or review mechanisms available to individuals to seek relief from disqualification. In addition to this reporting for all agencies, executive agencies are required to participate in an accounting of actual applicants who underwent criminal background checks, the number found disqualified, the number who sought waiver, those denied waiver. This research project is contingent on receipt of a state funding appropriation, which was not passed. However, the Authority has reached an agreement with officials from the Safer Foundation to collaborate on this work, which will commence in December 2010.

G. Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) 2010 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.

Preparations for the 2010 CHRI audit have begun. The focus of the audit will be on court disposition reporting, since accurate and complete conviction information is a key component of decisions within the criminal justice system and an increasing number of decisions outside of criminal justice (employment, housing, student loans, and so on).

During this quarter, staff conducted preliminary analyses of CHRI data for the years 2005-2009, to identify potential counties of interest for the 2010 audit, particularly those found to have higher-

than-average numbers of missing court dispositions. Ten counties consistently ranked as those with the highest proportion of missing court dispositions. Analyses of these missing dispositions by court charge class of offense were also conducted, to further refine the extent of missing dispositions for felony cases. Discussions were also held with Illinois State Police Staff as to the availability of court disposition data before it is processed by the CHRI system, which looks like a highly promising approach. It is anticipated that the audit proposal will be finalized and submitted to the State Police during the next quarter, with actual data collection and analysis to begin shortly afterwards.

H. Juvenile Justice System and Risk Factor Data: 2008 Annual Report

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, the annual report entitled “Juvenile Justice System and Risk Factor Data” is a compilation of county-level juvenile justice system and risk factor data. Research staff are now amassing the 2008 data sets for the 2008 Annual Report. Similar to previous editions, this report 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 target publication date of this report is early 2011.

II. CURRENT PROJECTS

A. Program evaluation and research projects/ internally funded

The R&A Unit pursues a program evaluation and research agenda through an in-house Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)-funded grant program. Evaluation and research efforts conducted, supported, or monitored by R&A staff include:

1. Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Victimization among Adult Female Inmates in the Illinois Department of Corrections

In 2009, ICJIA interviewed 163 female inmates housed in the Illinois Department of Corrections. Researchers gathered information on prior help seeking strategies, substance use, and physical and sexual abuse during the course of the person's life history. The findings in a report, *Victimization and Help Seeking Behaviors Among Incarcerated Women*, released April 2010. Study participants were also administered the PTSD Symptoms Checklist (PCL) to gauge PTSD symptoms. A second report will share the level and correlates of PTSD symptomology of female inmates. The report will help inform prisons and parole agents on the level and correlates of PTSD symptomology to better assist women housed in prisons and those released from prison deal with this problematic mental illness which can impact basic functioning including the ability to hold a job, have healthy relationships, and avoid the abuse of drugs and alcohol. The IRB approved the research as exempt as it uses existing data. A draft of the report is in final review. The report is slated for completion by December 2010.

2. Sheridan Correctional Center National Drug Prison and Re-entry Therapeutic Community Recidivism Study

The goal is to evaluate the post- prison outcomes for graduates of Sheridan by interviewing re-incarcerated graduates of the Sheridan program and learning the factors that contribute to a Sheridan program graduate's failure at re-entry. Failure includes a return to drug use or other technical violations, or committing a new crime. Data will be collected through 50 face to face interviews with successful graduates of the Sheridan who have been re- incarcerated since their release from Sheridan. The information will allow for a better understanding of what happens with Sheridan graduates after release in order to offer recommendations to improve the effectiveness of the Sheridan program.

Opened in January 2004, Sheridan Correctional Center is a medium security prison operated by the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC), which uses a Therapeutic Community model. Every inmate at Sheridan participates in substance abuse treatment. Before enrolling in the program, inmates agree to participate in the in-prison therapeutic community and 90 days of community substance abuse treatment (aftercare) as a condition of their parole. A successful Sheridan graduate includes anyone who completes the in- prison portion of the Sheridan program and is released from Sheridan Correctional Center on Mandatory Supervised Release. This study enhances prior research on Sheridan by providing quantitative and qualitative information from former participants themselves. This information could then be used to enhance programming both internally at Sheridan Correctional Center and externally with partner agencies and parole in order to improve a Sheridan

graduate's re- entry experience. Data collection began October 2010 and a final report is estimated to be completed in Spring 2011.

3. National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)/Chicago Police Department (CPD) Juvenile Crisis Intervention Training Fidelity Assessment

The Chicago Police Department (CPD) established its Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) in 2004 to address the high prevalence of mental illness among incarcerated adults. All CIT members volunteered to attend a 40-hour training to become certified. The purpose of the CIT-training is to teach law enforcement officers how to (a) identify signs and symptoms of mental illnesses and (b) exercise skills to defuse crisis situations. In May 2009, the Chicago Police Department (CPD) and the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) held its first advanced CIT training on addressing mental health issues among the youth population. ICJIA research and analysis staff is currently evaluating the extent to which the training curriculum is helpful for officers, as they respond to situations involving youth in crisis. The evaluation project has the following objectives: (1) measure officer pre-and post-training knowledge; (2) measure officer retention of the training material; (3) measure officer satisfaction with the training; (4) measure officer intention to use the training material; and (5) measure officer use of the training curriculum in the field. The evaluation project was approved by the Authority's Institutional Review Board (IRB) in June 2010; data collection began shortly after. The evaluation project will be completed by June 2013. The findings will be conveyed to the Juvenile—CIT, training staff in a way that allows them to improve and enhance their training practices.

4. River Valley Juvenile Detention Center (RVJDC) Mental Health Program Evaluation

River Valley Juvenile Detention Center (RVJDC) is a nationally accredited facility located in Joliet, Illinois. It serves both Will and Kankakee Counties and includes 102 beds, as well as a 24-hour on-site medical unit. RVJDC is a temporary placement center for juveniles, between the ages of ten and seventeen, awaiting court decisions on their cases. Only minors who have allegedly committed a delinquent offense and are determined to be a danger to the community or themselves may be detained. In 2008, a total of 911 juveniles were admitted and received medical and mental health care. In addition, the mental health department staff provided Will and Kankakee Counties juvenile justice courts with psychological reports on approximately 40 percent of the youth detained, as ordered by the judges. RVJDC mental health department staff plans to expand their program by providing Will and Kankakee Counties' juvenile-court judges with psychological reports on all detained youth. The psychological reports provide the juvenile-court judges with an extensive amount of information on youth backgrounds.

ICJIA research and analysis staff partnered with RVJDC administrative staff in March 2010 for the purpose of evaluating the facility's mental health program. An evaluation plan was finalized in July 2010 and has the following objectives: (1) measure youth satisfaction with the conditions and treatment provided by RVJDC staff, (2) measure the use of court-ordered psychological reports, and (3) measure the influence psychological reports have on juvenile justice system outcomes. ICJIA research and analysis staff obtained approval for the evaluation project in August 2010 from the Authority's Institutional Review Board (IRB). Data collection began in September 2010 and the evaluation project will be completed by September 2013.

5. Illinois' Metropolitan Enforcement Groups and Task Forces Profiles

In 2009, the Authority funded 19 Metropolitan Enforcement Groups (MEG) and Task Forces which pooling resources, knowledge and personnel to more efficiently and effectively fight the proliferation of illicit drugs. All MEGs and task forces are staffed by officers representing federal, state, county, and local police agencies. Periodically, the Authority creates profiles of each MEG and task force in order to provide a general overview of the drug and violent crime problem in their jurisdictions and share their response to these problems. Updated profiles will be published in early 2011.

6. Sentencing Policy Advisory Council (SPAC) Technical Assistance

SPAC, which was created by Public Act 96-0711, will draw on criminal justice information collected by state and local justice agencies and use that information to explore sentencing issues and how these practices impact the criminal justice system as a whole. The Council consists of a nonpartisan group of 18 key stakeholders from across the state and local criminal justice systems, including members from all three branches of government: legislators (from both political parties and houses), retired judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys, corrections and administrators of the court officials, law enforcement, victim's rights advocates and academics. There are also ex-officio members from the agencies providing data to SPAC (Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, and Illinois Department of Corrections).

ICJIA Research & Analysis Staff began assisting the SPAC in reviewing Illinois criminal justice data availability for sentencing policy research. A presentation was made to the Council regarding these issues, and a larger report that documents current data collection practices and examine information gaps at each stage of the system was completed in July. This document was produced in partnership with the Illinois State Police, the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, and the Illinois Department of Corrections. The report is currently being updated by staff to include information on potential local-level data sources for use by SPAC. It will be made available on the ICJIA's website www.icjia.state.il.us.

During this quarter, ICJIA staff participated in a SPAC strategic planning session aimed at developing a short-term work plan, as funded by a FFY09 Justice Assistance Grant from ICJIA, as well as longer-term activities that will take the SPAC Council up to its sunset date of December 31, 2012. It was determined that R&A staff would contribute to an Illinois "portrait" of historic trends in criminal justice indicators to inform SPAC of how previous sentencing laws have contributed to the current corrections populations. It is hoped that this Portrait could be ready in time to distribute to legislators at the beginning of the legislative session in January.

7. Adult Redeploy Illinois Utilization-Focused Evaluation

The Crime Reduction Act (Public Act 96-0761 effective on January 1, 2010) establishes the Adult Redeploy Illinois program, which provides financial incentives to local jurisdictions for designing community-based programs to treat offenders in the community instead of sending them to state prisons. Under the Act, financial incentives will be offered to counties/groups of counties/judicial

circuits to increase programming in their areas, in exchange for reducing the number of people they send to the Illinois Department of Corrections (with penalties if they do not meet the reduction goal).

The goal of Adult Redeploy is to establish pilot sites to increase access to community-based services and decrease commitments to the Illinois Department of Corrections. In Phase I, counties or judicial circuits will craft local program plans that specify how to reduce commitments of non-violent offenders to prison and implement these plans in Phase II. The counties or judicial circuits must negotiate an agreement with the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board (AROIB) to limit the number of Adult Redeploy Illinois eligible commitments from that area to 75% of the average number of commitments of the three previous calendar years.

ICJIA Research and Analysis Staff are working closely with the AROIB and IDOC and IDHS staff to track the policy implementation process, to guide the development of performance and outcome measures, and to provide relevant technical assistance toward insuring the program model aligns with the language describing the initiative in the Crime Reduction Act.

Additionally, ICJIA worked with the AROIB to draft the required standard planning document and ensured the incorporation of existing legislated alternatives to incarceration programs in Illinois. In November 2010, five standard plans were approved by the AROIB, and these sites will go on to apply for implementation grants out of JAG ARRA.

ICJIA staff will guide the development of program performance measures, and begin to craft an implementation analysis in partnership with the AROIB.

8. Adult Redeploy Illinois Website Data

As technical support for the Adult Redeploy Illinois program, planning grants issued by the Adult SPAC, which was created by Public Act 96-0711, will draw on criminal justice information collected by state and local justice agencies and use that information to explore sentencing issues and how these practices impact the criminal justice system as a whole. The Council consists of a nonpartisan group of 18 key stakeholders from across the state and local criminal justice systems, including members from all three branches of government: legislators (from both political parties and houses), retired judges, prosecutors, defense attorneys, corrections and administrators of the court officials, law enforcement, victim's rights advocates and academics. There are also ex-officio members from the agencies providing data to SPAC (Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, and Illinois Department of Corrections).

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Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board (ARIOB), staff has developed a new website to simplify and standardize access to county-level data required for the planning process. The counties and judicial circuit (encompassing 12 counties) currently accepting planning grants can access the county census and criminal justice system data available through the Authority’s website. This information is to be used to guide their identification of target populations eligible for the program, and serve as a starting point for the community corrections and service gap analysis to be conducted in the planning process. Data for all 102 counties are also available as print-friendly PDF documents as well.

During the last quarter, staff has provided technical support regarding data interpretation and identification of target populations for participating counties. Staff also worked with IDOC staff to verify the methodology used to determine the corrections information available on the website, so that counties would obtain the same numbers regarding potentially eligible Adult Redeploy participants from either IDOC or the Adult Redeploy website.

9. Hate Crime in Illinois and across the United States Report

Staff completed a report that compares incidences of reported hate crime throughout Illinois and the United States over an 11-year period, 1997-2007. Using ISP-UCR supplemental case level data as well as FBI-UCR data, staff is analyzing data to determine trends in the number of reported hate crimes within Illinois and throughout the United States from 1997 to 2007. The report involves analysis and evaluation of regional and county-level reporting of hate crime throughout Illinois, as well as the specific hate related offenses (i.e., against persons / property) committed and explicit locations where such crimes are occurring. Also, victim and offender characteristics (e.g., bias motivation, race, gender, religious affiliation, ethnicity, sexual orientation, physical/mental handicap, victim type, etc.) are being compared in an effort to identify relationships between victims and offenders of hate related offenses. The report is in executive review and is slated for publication by the end of the year.

10. Illinois College Campus Crime and Safety Issues Series

Staff is working on a series of reports on the issues of emergency preparedness on college campuses, and general crime as reported through various sources of data. The first report, *Issues on Illinois College Campus –History of College Campus Emergency Preparedness and Safety Planning* was published on the Authority’s website in March, on the new *College Campus Resource Center* web page. Two other reports, *Trends in Illinois Campus Crime at Four Year Colleges, 2005-2008*, and *A Comparison of Campus Crime Trends at Illinois Four Year and Two Year Colleges, 2003-2007* are under review and are slated for publication by the end of the year.

Staff participated in a roundtable discussion on campus crime data quality and usefulness at the Justice Research and Statistics Association annual conference in October.

Other reports in the series include: arrests and referrals for school disciplinary action for weapons, drugs and alcohol offenses, the prevalence of sexual assault on campus, and hate crimes reported on college campuses compared to the state in general

11. Get the Facts

Staff continues to work on updating 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.

The Get the Facts on expungement of adult records, adult arrests, and the rights of crime victims are in Executive review and will be available in November. Other still under development are adult pre-trial procedures and the expungement of juvenile records.

12. Juvenile Justice Data Coordination Partnership

Staff participate on several working groups related to effective juvenile justice data collection, including DMC, Juvenile Redeploy Illinois, IJDAI, and Models for Change. During the last quarter, staff have also been requested to participate on various workgroups initiated by the Governor’s Office related to the merger of the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice (IDJJ) with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Service (DCFS).

Juvenile Redeploy Illinois monthly data reporting form. Staff has been asked to develop new data reporting form for the Juvenile Redeploy Illinois Program. Staff will also develop the policy around submission of the report. The data reports will be submitted to the Authority on a monthly basis and quarterly reports will be developed and sent to each Redeploy Illinois site to provide information to participants/staff of the programs. Use of the form by the Redeploy sites will begin January 2011.

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. Work on this data template is ongoing.

13. 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. During the last quarter, 30 substantial requests for juvenile justice data and information were received and processed.

14. Safety Net Works – Implementation Evaluation

Authority staff concluded its evaluation of the implementation of the Safety Net Works Initiative, a violence prevention and youth development program currently taking place across 14 community areas in Illinois. The primary purpose of this implementation evaluation is 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.

During the last quarter, staff participated in meetings conducted by the Illinois Violence Prevention Authority (IVPA) regarding the next year of funding through state general revenue funds. A final project report on the implementation process of the SNW programs was completed and is in Executive review.

15. Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice and Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Merger Committees

Staff from ICJIA have been participating in and providing assistance to different subcommittees created by the Office of the Governor to facilitate the merger of the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice with the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. Staff participate on subcommittees including: assessment tools; reports and best practices; data collection; aftercare; programs and internal services; and steering committee.

16. 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 will be released in June of 2010 pending DOC's approval. 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. 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 continues through 2010 so that 2009 data may be included. A draft was sent to IDOC for review in October and we anticipate that the report will be made available publically in December.

17. Mental Health Courts in Illinois

Loyola University Chicago was selected to conduct the assessment and evaluation of mental health courts in Illinois. The project will inventory the operating courts in Illinois and assess what barriers were in place for those courts that did not materialize. A more thorough evaluation will be conducted on specific courts in an effort to gauge their operations, effectiveness and outcomes. Loyola's methodology and study design includes a mixed methods approach, including quantitative data from program operations and client outcomes, as well as qualitative data stemming from interviews and focus groups with the court stakeholders. A component of the study that includes client surveys will assess the perceptions of those that participate in the courts. Loyola will collect data and assess the implementation and operation of each court in Illinois, including those that are in the planning stages. Factors that contributed to the failure of some jurisdictions to implement a court will also be outlined. A more detailed in-depth analysis of three (3) courts will be conducted. This analysis will involve a thorough assessment as to the operation, impact and outcomes of the courts. Special attention will be paid to the multi-disciplinary roles of the MHC teams and the "boundary-spanning" that they are required to do. A short extension was processed to all the team to complete data collection and a final report will be due in December 2010.

18. Investigator Initiated Research

Projects funded under an Investigator-initiated RFP address research in our priority areas of interest. A number of projects have been completed and final reports are available on our website. The following projects are in progress or near completion.

- *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 was received in September.

- *A Study of Co-occurring Conditions and Treatment Coordination of Jail Detainees.*
Conducted by the University of Illinois at Chicago, this study interviewed approximately 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 identified ways 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 has been reviewed and is available on our web site.
- *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. The report was revised in 2010 and the final version is available on our website.
- *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. Due to delays in obtaining DOC parole data, the project was extended through May 2011. Urban Institute staff received data on May 7 but the project is experiencing delays in enrollment. A further extension into early 2012 is being considered.
- *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. Staff from SIUC presented the findings to Authority staff on April 20 and the final report is now available on our website.

An additional Investigator Initiated Research RFP in the amount of \$150,000 was issued in September 2009. Two projects were selected and began in December 2009.

- *Systematic Evaluation of the Peoria Drug Market Intervention* - Conducted by Southern Illinois University, this project seeks to assess the approach and effectiveness of a strategy to combat open air drug markets in the City of Peoria. The Peoria Police Department (PPD) is in

the process of implementing a proactive policing strategy in response to open-air drug markets in a high crime neighborhood. The PPD more specifically is implementing a “pulling levers” intervention that relies on a combination of incapacitation for serious, chronic and violent offenders as well as a deterrent-based message combined with increased social support mechanisms for less serious offender who have been deemed suitable for diversion and have the potential to be diverted from a lifestyle of offending. The pulling levers framework is implemented at the local level and is designed to strengthen relationships and communication between criminal and social justice agencies. The evaluation will assess the implementation and preliminary impact of the effort. A report is due November 30, 2010

- *Growth of Illinois Prison Population and Assessment of Risk and Recidivism Among Prison Releasees* - Conducted by Loyola University, this multi-tiered project will examine trends in prison admissions, end of year populations, and prison exits. Using existing data available from IDOC and CHRI system, the proposed research will examine, in detail: 1) trends in admissions, exits and the end-of-year populations within prison and 2) the post-release recidivism of those released from prison. For both of these research activities, there will be a specific emphasis on the similarities and differences between female versus male inmates and releasees. The proposed research seeks to further the understanding within Illinois regarding the risk and recidivism of those released from prison, and assess the utility if existing information collected by DOC for determining post-release risk. It extends the potential predictive validity of risk assessment by examining community-level risk factors such as indicators of social disadvantage, social cohesion, and police surveillance as well as individual level characteristics, such as age, criminal history, substance abuse, and other factors. The goal of the research is to examine post-prison recidivism of offenders using the most current and appropriate statistical techniques, while ensuring that the findings and results useful to practitioners and policy makers. A number of presentations have been given on findings to date - most recently a presentation to the annual Justice Research and Statistics Association conference held this past October. The report will be available on our website in the late 2010.

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. Redesign of Criminal Justice DataNet

The Authority received continued funding for this project, in the amount of \$68,000, bring the total award to \$126,000 over two years 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. The grant is scheduled to end on June 30, 2011.

Two Flash-based Instant Atlas applications for the Strategic Planning Initiative became live and available for the public. This application will be used as a prototype for upcoming applications to be included in the SAC website. An HTML-based alternative to this application was also created to allow users who cannot use Adobe Flash to access the same data, regardless of accessibility issues. On-line users (and Authority staff) will be able to access the Authority's holdings of criminal justice data to create maps and explore relationships among the various data sets across time and counties. Usability testing will be conducted on a sample of ICJIA staff and likely website users to obtain feedback and refine the application. A more advanced area profile was also prototyped for the Adult Redeploy Initiative to examine multiple indicators at once. Instant Atlas applications were demonstrated at the Strategic Planning Initiative as well as the JRSA annual conference.

Staff redesigned and updated the Illinois Criminal Justice Statistics Fact Sheets with new data and a new template. The goal of the fact sheet is to provide a geographic display of data for the latest year, a trend chart for the past ten years, and summary information related to the specific data being analyzed. The fact sheets are in pdf format and are currently available on the Authority's website: www.icjia.state.il.us. New features on these fact sheets include hyperlinks to data sources as well as improved accessibility and file size.

2. Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice Recidivism Study

Staff are conducting a research study on recidivism for juveniles admitted to the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice which was funded for \$19,575 by the American Statistical Association/Bureau of Justice Statistics Small Grants program. This study will employ various statistical techniques including multilevel modeling, survival analysis, and markov modeling to examine recidivism in-depth. Further, recidivism will be measured through readmission to either juvenile or adult 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, with special attention paid to neighborhood of release indicators using U.S. Bureau of the Census data. The study was approved by the IRB. The study period and funding award will be finished in July 2011. Staff has cleaned the data, has received census data, and is working to clean and combine the data sets.

3. Illinois Juvenile Justice System Walkthrough

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, staff developed a step-by-step walkthrough of the general practices, processes, and procedures of the Illinois juvenile justice system, from arrest through community supervision. The report was sent to an advisory committee around the state including juvenile court judges, attorneys (both private defense attorneys and state's attorneys), police officials, probation officers, and other juvenile justice system experts to review for accuracy. The report was published in August 2010.

4. Elder Abuse Collaboration Technical Assistance

Supported by a grant from the federal government, staff is conducting a process evaluation of this 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 Cook County State's Attorney's Office, 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. A final report will be completed by the end of the year.

In preparation for the evaluation, staff continues to attend monthly policy team meetings in order to gauge the progress of the project. Metropolitan Family Services will present an outline of this project at the Governor's Conference on Aging December 8-10, 2010. Research continues to be done on reviewing successful multidisciplinary team models dealing with elder abuse, particularly those involving partnerships between police and social service agencies. This project has become a model of successful coordination between R&A staff and the FSGU grant monitor.

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 is nearing completion. The final report will be completed and available in early 2011.

C. Criminal History Record Information (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 staff 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 1990-2009 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 new CHRI User Agreements were processed, including those received from Johns Hopkins School of Public Health, and the University of Chicago. Since the inception of

the CHRI Ad Hoc Connection Partnership, at least 46 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 those from the Disproportionate Justice Impact Study (DJIS) Commission, Loyola University, University of Chicago, and DuPage County Probation.

Information requests answered using CHRI data. During the last quarter, updating of all non-expunged arrests and associated arrest charges and court dispositions from 1999-2009 continued for loading 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. During this quarter, CHRI data was examined to answer user questions about juvenile arrests, domestic violence convictions in McHenry County, and a request regarding drug arrests for the DEA.

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 is 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, staff continued to collaborate with selected researchers on projects involving use of the Chicago Homicide Dataset.

E. Chicago Women's Health Risk Study

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

The current goal of the CWHR 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 CWHR Forum, housed on the Authority's web site, currently has 209 members, most of them practitioners or researchers in the field. The CWHR 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.

III. ONGOING ACTIVITIES

A. Briefings/Presentations

Since the last Authority update for the September 2010 meeting, R&A staff made presentations at, and/or attended the following professional meetings:

- On August 16 staff met with executive director of SPAC to discuss ICJIA workplan
- On August 18 and 19, staff participated in Victim Services Planning Ad Hoc committee meetings at the Authority offices.
- On August 20 the IRB forms revision internal working group met to discuss final changes to the IRB forms
- Staff attended a demo of the Illinois State Police I-CASE system at the Authority's offices on August 20.
- Staff attended the August 23 meeting, "Determining Realistic Actions for Transforming Systems & Services for Justice Involved Individuals with Mental Illness" sponsored by the Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health in Oak Brook.
- Staff attended a meeting of the Elder Abuse Policy Team, part of the Coordinated Response Initiative project, on August 25.
- Staff presented the River Valley Juvenile Detention Center Mental Health Program Evaluation project to the IRB committee on August 25.
- Staff attended the Institutional Review Board (IRB) meeting on August 25 at the Authority's offices and presented information about the River Valley Detention Center Mental health Program Evaluation and review proposed changes to the IRB application.
- On August 26 staff attended the Assessment Tools Workgroup for the DJJ/DCFS merger.
- Staff attended the Juvenile Redeploy Oversight Board meeting on August 27 in Chicago to present the monthly data report that the sites will submit and the policy that goes with it (rules for submitting, consequences for non-compliance, use of the data, etc.).
- Staff met with Steve Karr of IDOC on August 30 at the Authority's office to receive training on use of various correctional data sets.
- Staff conducted a conference call meeting with Kathy Saltmarsh, Executive Director of the Sentencing Policy Advisory Council (SPAC) on August 30 to discuss the SPAC work plan.
- Staff attended the Risk, Assets, and Needs Assessment (RANA) Task Force meeting in Chicago on September 1.
- Staff attended a meeting of the Sentencing Policy Advisory Council (SPAC) in Chicago on September 2. The research director presented an update on the Risk, Assets, and Needs Assessment (RANA) Task Force.

- Staff traveled to the Kankakee juvenile probation department on September 2 for a data collection meeting and visiting the River Valley Juvenile Detention Center.
- Authority staff presented a review of the Criminal Justice Planning Summit Website at the September 3 Authority Board meeting.
- On September 3, staff attended a meeting of the PROMISE (Partnership to Rescue our Minors from Sexual Exploitation) task force meeting.
- On September 3 staff attended a meeting at IYC-Chicago with Dr. Olson and Dr. Cara Murphy to discuss IDJJ data and research.
- Staff visited the River Valley Juvenile Detention Center on September 7 for a data collection meeting regarding the River Valley Juvenile Detention Center Mental Health Program Evaluation.
- Staff met on September 7 with officials from Protestants for the Common Good to discuss ex-offender employment issues, the impact of drug convictions on employment, and the potential advantages and disadvantages of cannabis decriminalization.
- Staff attended a presentation of findings for the *Evaluation of the Sheridan and Southwestern Illinois Correctional Centers* from Dr. David Olson of Loyola on September 9 at the Sheridan Correctional Center.
- On September 10 staff attended the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board meeting
- On September 14, staff participated in a meeting of the CHRI background Check Task Force, in Downers Grove, IL.
- Staff had a telephone conference with Illinois Department of Corrections officials on September 15 to discuss the access to IDOC automated data files.
- On September 15, staff attended a Sex Trafficking Conference at DePaul University School of Law.
- Staff had a telephone conference with Illinois Department of Corrections officials on September 15 to discuss the access to IDOC automated data files.
- Staff attended the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board meeting on September 16 in Chicago.
- The research director and executive director attended a meeting of the Steering Committee for the Crime Reduction Act and Sentencing Policy Advisory Council on September 16 in Chicago.
- On September 17, staff attended a Juvenile Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board meeting in Chicago.
- Staff attended a meeting of the Disproportionate Justice Impact Study (DJIS) Commission on September 21 in Chicago.
- On September 22, staff presented at Loyola Center for Human Rights national conference on human trafficking.
- Staff participated in the ICJIA Criminal Justice Planning Summit on September 22 and 23.
- On September 27 in Springfield, staff attended the statewide College Town Summit meeting hosted by the Illinois Liquor Control Commission. They provided a summary and handout detailing the campus data available from the U.S. Department of Education on alcohol arrests and referrals for disciplinary action (in-school process), and how these data can be used to gauge the nature and extent of alcohol violations on campuses as well as inform policy and practice.
- Staff met with Chicago Police Department officials on September 28 at CPD headquarters to discuss a proposed evaluation of officer training on Methamphetamine enforcement.
- On September 29 staff met with Dr. Gipsy Escobar and Dr. Dave Olson of Loyola University to discuss the juvenile recidivism study.

- On October 5, staff attended a SPAC Strategic Planning meeting in Chicago.
- The research director and executive director met on October 6 with officials from IDOC and the Risk, Assets, and Needs Assessment (RANA) Task Force to discuss the future funding of assessment tools.
- Staff attended the Safety Net Works Steering Committee meeting on October 7 in Chicago, and providing an update on evaluation efforts.
- On October 12 staff met with First Defense Legal Aid to discuss an evaluation study
- On October 12, staff participated in a conference call with the Models for Change Disproportionate Minority Contact Advisory Committee.
- Staff met with Judge Elizabeth Robb from McLean County on October 13 to discuss analysis of court data.
- On October 15, staff member met with (via phone) with the National Council of La Raza, to discuss juvenile race/ethnicity data in Illinois.
- Staff met with Randall Strickland (the Illinois Models for Change MDC coordinator) on October 18 to discuss data available that would help determine the nature and extent of disproportionality across the juvenile justice system in Illinois.
- Staff attended the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board meeting in Chicago on October 21.
- On October 21 staff attended the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board, Performance measures subcommittee meeting
- Staff attended the Adult Redeploy Oversight Board meeting on October 21 in Chicago.
- Staff met with judges and officials with IDHS Division of Mental Health to discuss developing a Center of Excellence to promote best practices in the criminal justice response to offenders with mental health and substance abuse disorders.
- On October 26, staff attended a meeting of the Illinois CHRI Background Check Taskforce meeting at State Police District 15 Headquarters in Downers Grove.
- Staff attended the Justice Research and Statistics Association (JRSA) conference in Maine October 27 – 29. A number of staff presented and hosted round tables on the topics of: Campus Crime Data, SAC / SAA partnerships, and Criminal Justice Data Tools.
- On November 1 staff attended a meeting with the PEW foundation to discuss CBA
- On November 5, staff attended a meeting of the PROMISE (Partnership to Rescue our Minors from Sexual Exploitation) task force meeting.
- Staff attended a meeting of SPAC (Sentencing Policy Advisory Council) on November 5 in Chicago.
- On November 8, staff attended the Juvenile Court Research Consortium at Cook County Juvenile Court in Chicago.
- On November 8 staff attended a meeting with First Defense Legal Aid to discuss their database system
- On November 9, staff attended a meeting of the Illinois CHRI Background Check Taskforce meeting at State Police District 15 Headquarters in Downers Grove.
- On November 9, staff collected data for the Sheridan evaluation project at Stateville Correctional Center.
- Staff attended the RANA Task Force meeting in Chicago November 10.
- Staff attended the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission meeting on November 10 in Chicago.
- Staff attended the Collaborative on Reentry meeting on November 12 in Chicago. The final report of the collaborative was presented, and several report recommendations called for ICJIA staff to

perform analyses. These include a gap analysis of diversion opportunities in the state, a comprehensive system mapping exercise of the Illinois criminal justice system and its diversion opportunities, and a flowchart for the Illinois juvenile justice system.

- Staff attended the meeting of the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board on November 12 in Chicago.
- On November 19, staff attended a Juvenile Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board meeting in Chicago, where the final draft of the monthly report will be discussed.
- Staff met with their legislative lobbyist on November 15 in Chicago to discuss potential legislative action steps that may be included in the statewide criminal justice strategic plan.

B. Criminal Justice Information Clearinghouse

The Authority serves as a statewide clearinghouse for statistics and other information about crime and the criminal justice system. The Clearinghouse Center within R&A maintains and regularly updates many county-level datasets related to crime and the criminal justice system, as well as social risk factor data. These datasets are used for in-house research projects and publications, such as *Trends and Issues* and *County Profiles of the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems*. The Clearinghouse is also responsible for answering requests for criminal justice data and information, as well as maintaining the publications on the Authority's website: www.icjia.il.state.us .

Information Requests

Many requests continue to come from government agencies (21 percent) and private citizens (56 percent). Other requests come from private agencies, researchers, students, news media representatives, legislators and prison inmates. Fifteen percent of the requests originate in the Chicago metropolitan area, and another 35 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 (*Appendix B*).

New Publications

R&A published two research reports and XXX Criminal Justice Fact Sheets during the period August through October, 2010. The titles are listed in Appendix A.

Website

The volume of web users has remained at high levels. Using a new website analytics tool (Google Analytics), it was determined that the website had 8,408 new visitors, and that all new and returning visitors viewed 22,156 pages of content on the site (*Appendix C*). The website continues to be a valuable resource for our constituents.

The following Table shows the publications that were downloaded most often from the Authority's website from February 2010 through April 2010.

Table 1
Top Downloaded Publications
August 2010 through October 2010

Publications	Downloads
Juvenile Justice System and Risk Factor Data 2007 Annual Report (December 2009)	10,524
Mental health screening and assessment practices in the Illinois juvenile justice system (March 2010)	7,058
An Evaluation of the Moral Reconciliation Therapy of the Franklin/Jefferson County Evening Reporting Center Program (April 2005)	6,208
Implementing Restorative Justice: A Guide for Schools (October 2009)	4,945
2009 ICJIA Annual Report (March 2009)	4,248
Victimization and help-seeking behaviors among female prisoners in Illinois (April 2010)	4,222
Policies and Procedures of the Illinois Juvenile Justice System (August 2010)	3,693
Illinois College Campus Safety: History and Development of Campus Safety Planning (March 2010)	3,429
Student Perceptions of Campus Safety Initiatives: Assessing Views of Critical Incident Prevention & Response (July 2010)	3,177
The commercial sexual exploitation of children and youth in Illinois (January 2008)	2,591
Examining At-Risk and Delinquent Girls in Illinois (June 2009)	2,155
The Little Village Gang Violence Reduction Project in Chicago (March 2004)	2,078
Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Juvenile justice (May 2008)	2,072
PROTOCOL FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT: Responding to Victims of Elder Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation (September 2008)	1,812
Assessing Illinois' Metropolitan Enforcement Groups and Task Forces: A Profile of the South Central Illinois Drug Task Force (March 2004)	1,760
Get The Facts: Juvenile Corrections (June 2010)	1,743
Implementing Balanced and Restorative Justice: A Guide for Juvenile Probation (May 2006)	1,632
Domestic sex trafficking of Chicago women and girls (May 2008)	1,603
A Grant Proposal Guidebook: Planning, Writing and Submitting a Grant Proposal (September 2002)	1,584
Get The Facts: Juvenile Court (March 2010)	1,583
A Study of Co-occurring Health Conditions and Treatment Coordination for Adult Jail Detainees in Residential Psychiatric Treatment (September 2010)	1,553
An Impact Evaluation of Specialized Sex Offender Probation Programs in Coles, Vermilion, and Madison Counties (December 2002)	1,528
Get The Facts: Juvenile Sentencing (June 2010)	1,527
2009 Annual Report: Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (March 2009)	1,424

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, including DASA data, Illinois Board of Education data, and Jail and Detentions Standards data. Staff is also working with research staff within the Illinois Department of

Corrections to document updated juvenile and adult admissions, release and parole data that were received earlier this year.

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 assumes responsibility for the computerization of some program performance for many grants.

During the last quarter, staff assisted extensively on the development of materials for the VAWA Implementation plan and the VOCA annual report (submitted to the Office of Victims of Crime) Activities included:

- Pulling crime data to determine trends/location/severity of violent crime in Illinois (focus on domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault, child abuse, elder abuse, and violent crime) (VAWA implementation plan)
- Determining the location of service providers statewide which, in conjunction with the crime data, helps determine needs and gaps in services. (VAWA implementation plan)
- Analyzing program data to show who VOCA programs serve and the services they receive for the VOCA annual report.
- Comparing funding trends with crime trends to determine gaps and the need for services statewide for the VAWA implementation plan.
- Assisting the Associate Director of Research in the development of a presentation on the Illinois SAC/SAA partnership for the JRSA national conference, held in October.

D. Technical Assistance

- As planning an implementation for Adult Redeploy Illinois sites have progressed, staff has provided technical support to participating counties to assist with target population identification.
- Staff continues to analyze and provide data to various State juvenile justice initiatives.
- Staff participated in extensive technical assistance to the Adult Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board and staff of IDOC, DHS, and Metropolis 2020 regarding implementation issues with this new program to be initiated as part of the Crime Reduction Act of 2009.
- Staff provided research support for the Sentencing Policy Advisory Council.
- Staff released a CLARIS update that allows the tracking of ISP use of NPLEX (meth purchase tracking software) in their meth lab reduction efforts. The release also makes some technical changes to the method of reporting incidents to EPIC. Another release is in progress to make repository lab bust entry easier for the officers.

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).

Cases occurring in 2010 are in the process of being identified and assessed for eligibility, which will continue throughout the year. Forms are being sent to law enforcement as cases shortly after cases are identified. BJS has officially closed all cases in Illinois for 2009. 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 was designed to facilitate reporting from law enforcement agencies. A permanent graphical link has been added to the ICJIA homepage sidebar that allows users easier access to a new web page regarding how to report a death that would be eligible for reporting. The page consists of three main sections (general information, information for law enforcement agencies, information for coroners/medical examiners) that each contain more detailed information. Forms provided by the Department of Justice are available for users to fill out and return to the Authority. The website can be accessed here: www.icjia.state.il.us. A short survey targeting coroners and their knowledge and willingness to participate in the reporting process is being developed.

F. Web-based applications

1. Nefsis Video Conferencing

Nefsis is an internet based video conferencing service that is used to create information and general presentations, online training materials, web conferencing, learning modules, and user desktop sharing applications.

Staff is currently developing other INFONET User Training using this software.

Staff is currently developing other Research and Analysis Unit and other agency on-line applications.

2. 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 created and launched a SurveyGizmo survey to gain input from participants of the Strategy 2010 Summit Re: Smarter Solutions for Crime Reduction: the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority Strategic Planning Initiative, the current surveyed can be viewed at the following website:

http://www.icjia.state.il.us/public/strategy2010/survey/Strategy_2010_survey.htm.

3. CJ Dispatch

CJ Dispatch is an e-mailing that we send out to subscribers to announce and highlight ICJIA publications, Request for Proposals for grants that ICJIA administrates, and other newsworthy items. There are currently 2,947 subscribers.

Staff is currently researching a service to provide us with a better method to send out CJ Dispatches to subscribers which would enable subscribers to edit their individual subscriber

profiles, seeking the ability to forward the CJ Dispatches to other interested parties which would enable them to subscribe to receive these e-mails, seeking to give the subscriber the ability to receive HTML-based e-mails or textbased e-mails, and seeking the ability to track subscriber activity on whether they receive the e-mail and if they read it. Staff is also looking into updating our current template with the assistance of the web based software the vendor will provide us with. We have currently beta testing MailChimp an e-mail marketing service as a viable option.

4. Website Enhancements

Staff is currently working on updating various sections and pages of the ICJIA Public Website.

Staff has created and launched the *Smarter Solutions for Crime Reduction: The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority Strategic Planning Initiative Summit* Website. This website provides details about the ICJIA September 22-23, 2010 Summit an invitation-only, two-day summit in Schiller Park, IL to share local-level strategies with justice and human services professionals for possible replication in Illinois jurisdictions and to identify strategies to inform ICJIAs research, policy, and funding agenda. Visit the Smarter Solutions for Crime Reduction Initiative website

<http://www.icjia.org/strategy2010>.

Staff also created and launched the following interactive data website, *Overview Achieving Maximum Impact: County Prevalence of Justice and Health and Human Services Involvement for the Smarter Solutions for Crime Reduction: The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority Strategic Planning Initiative Summit* website.

The Authority recognizes that the drain on resources is experienced most heavily on counties, and maximum impact across the State can only be achieved by addressing local health and justice challenges. To this end, the Authority identified the top quarter (27 counties) of counties with the highest "prevalence" of justice and health and human services involvement. Using available data, the Authority examined nine core indicators in each of the 102 Illinois counties, including:

- Violent Crime Offenses
- Property Crime Offenses
- Drug Crime Arrests
- Percent Indicating Poor Health
- Department of Human Services, Division of Mental Health State Hospital Admissions for "Unfit to Stand Trial"
- Domestic Crime Offenses
- Felony Crime Filing
- Department of Human Services, Division of Substance Abuse Treatment Admissions
- Illinois Department of Corrections Court Commitments

Based on an aggregate score of all nine indicators, twenty-seven counties emerged as being most impacted by crime and related health and human services involvement. View full table for all 27 High Impact Counties and Statewide county comparisons visit the following website at:

<http://www.icjia.org/public/strategy2010/countymap.cfm>

Staff has created and launched the *Adult Redeployed Illinois Website*. The purpose of the Adult Redeploy website is to provide applicants preparing an Adult Redeploy Illinois Local Plan access

to county-level criminal justice data relevant to their planning process. A county profile of demographic factors, criminal justice system indicators, and information on program eligible populations. Staff also created an easy access to county-level data elements that will be useful for preparing the Standard Plan for the Adult Redeploy Illinois Program. There is an interactive County map that displays data which includes county demographics, criminal justice system indicators, and a detailed breakdown of Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) admissions information for suggested "program eligible" individuals, as interpreted by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority. It should be noted that these data are provided for planning purposes only. Visit the Adult Redeployed Illinois data website at: website <http://www.icjia.org/redeploy>

Staff has created and launched the *Sentencing Policy Advisory Council Website*. The Sentencing Policy Advisory Council (SPAC), created by Illinois Public Act 96-0711, draws on criminal justice information collected by other agencies to explore sentencing issues and practices and how they impact the criminal justice system as a whole. SPAC is charged with objectively informing sentencing and corrections policy decisions. To perform this function, the SPAC is responsible for collecting and analyzing data, conducting correctional population projections based on simulation models, and producing fiscal impact statements for the legislature. In addition, SPAC is charged with ensuring that effective evidence-based practices are used in policy decisions and within the criminal justice system. SPAC will report in writing annually to the General Assembly, the Governor and the Supreme Court. Visit the Sentencing Policy Advisory Council website at <http://www.icjia.state.il.us/public/index.cfm?metasection=spac>.

Staff has created and launched the *College Campus Safety Resource Center Website*. The purpose of this website is to showcase the availability of the first in a series of reports on college crime and safety issues, *Issues in Illinois College Campus Safety: History and Development of Campus Safety Planning*. Other reports on the topic of college crime and safety issues are also highlighted. Visit the College Campus Safety Resource website at <http://www.icjia.state.il.us/public/index.cfm?metaSection=Publications&metapage=campuscrimehome>.

Staff is currently developing the *Illinois Statistical Analysis Center (SAC) Website*. The Illinois Statistical Analysis Center will serve as criminal justice data collection and analysis center for the Research and Analysis Unit the research arm of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA). The website is currently under development/construction at <http://www.icjia.org/sac>.

Staff has also created and launched the *Illinois County Queries Website*. The Illinois County Queries Data Center is an interactive enabled website clearinghouse of criminal justice statistics about Illinois counties. These statistics can be used to go research broad issues facing the criminal justice system or to simply examine crime problems in the 102 county regional areas of Illinois. This webpage will be an upgrade to the CJ DataNet and will the part of the Illinois Statistical Analysis Center (SAC) Website. Visit the website at: http://www.icjia.org/public/sac/cq_test2.cfm

Staff is currently developing a new redesign of the Illinois Integrated Justice Information System (IIJIS) Website to enhance web access to further the mission of the IIJIS Implementation Board. IIJIS 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.

Staff also will be developing a new redesign of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority main public website and associate websites (Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council website, InfoNet website, and the Capital Punishment Reform Study Committee website).

G. Authority's Institutional Review Board (IRB)

Staff received Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval August 25 to begin work on an evaluation of the River Valley Detention Center mental health assessment and treatment services. The IRB also approved changes to the IRB Approval Application, Renewal Request, and Amendment Application. These new forms were developed by staff. The purpose of these revisions and modifications is to provide a clearer and more streamlined process for IRB review. The two revised forms are the initial IRB application and the renewal application. The new form is for amendments to the original IRB approval.

Initial IRB application

The initial IRB application was revised to clarify some form questions, combine others, and streamline the components for easier reading. The proposed form utilizes components from existing university IRB applications and these components were modified to fit the needs of the Authority. The proposed form was also vetted to ensure it followed protocols outlined in the *Code of Federal Regulations* regarding research involving human subjects.

IRB renewal application

The renewal application was modified to mirror the proposed changes to the initial application. It begins with a brief project summary and then requests answers to: amendments made, subject recruitment and retention, special populations, and written consent.

IRB amendment application

The IRB amendment application is a newly created form. This form covers any substantive changes to the approved research that might affect previously approved components, including changing investigators or project staff, or project start or end dates. This form emulates the proposed initial application form and is split into nine sections: investigator changes; protocol changes; consent procedures; consent documents; project sites and study participants; changes in confidentiality, privacy or security; funding or sponsorship; start or end dates; or changes not otherwise specified. A final section asks all requests for amendments to complete a risk/benefits assessment.

IV. GRANT PROPOSALS

R&A staff routinely pursues discretionary grants to support data collection, research, and evaluation activities:

- A proposal to BJS regarding an SJS grant to further enhance the Authority's website, in the amount of \$68,000, was awarded in August 2010.

V. CONTINUING STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

- Staff attended free on-line training sessions to learn ARC-GIS software for the creation of statistical maps.
- Staff attended a Webinar hosted by NCJA on Evidenced based practices.
- Staff toured Stateville Prison, as part of the Sentencing Policy Analysis Council (SPAC) initiative.

VI. AWARDS

Two Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority publications were honored with awards from the Justice Research and Statistics Association (JRSA). The Authority received Phillip Hoke Awards for Excellence in Analysis in the area of Statistical/Management for its *Juvenile Justice System & Risk Factor Data 2007 Annual Report*, written by Research Analyst Lindsay Bostwick, and in the area of Research/Policy Analysis for *Victimization and Help-Seeking Behaviors Among Female Prisoners in Illinois*, a report by Senior Research Analyst Jessica Reichert, and research analysts Sharyn Adams and Lindsay Bostwick. The Hoke Award recognizes outstanding efforts to apply empirical analysis to criminal justice policymaking in the states. JRSA is a national organization of state criminal justice planning and research agencies.

VII. INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Under the direct supervision of a senior staff member in the Research and Analysis Unit, interns are hired to perform a variety of information functions relating to critical issues facing the Illinois criminal justice system. There is no compensation for these positions, but interns may be able to use the experience as course credit.

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Appendix A – Most recent publications

RESEARCH REPORTS

Research Report: Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Victimization among Adult Female Inmates in the Illinois Department of Corrections (11/10)

Research Report: A Study of Co-occurring Health Conditions and Treatment Coordination for Adult Jail Detainees in Residential Psychiatric Treatment (9/2010)

Research Report: Policies and Procedures of the Illinois Juvenile Justice System (8/2010)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE STATSTICAL FACT SHEETS

Violent Offense Trends Fact Sheet

Property Offense Trends Fact Sheet

Index Offense Trends Fact Sheet

Violent Arrest Trends Fact Sheet

Property Arrest Trends Fact Sheet

Index Arrest Trends Fact Sheet

Drug Arrest Trends Fact Sheet

Drug Treatment Admissions Trends Fact Sheet

Elder Abuse Trends Fact Sheet

Domestic Violence Trends Fact Sheet

Criminal Case Filings Trends Fact Sheet

Adult Probation Trends Fact Sheet

Appendix B – Information Request Handling Statistics

July 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010

ITEM	REQUESTS/Pct
Number of information requests handled:	57
Monthly average number of requests:	19
Geographic origin of requesters:	
Chicago metropolitan area	23%
Other region of Illinois	32%
U.S. other than Illinois	18%
Outside the U.S.	0%
Unknown	28%
Type of requester:	
Government agency	19%
Private agency	16%
Researcher	2%
Student	9%
Citizen	53%
Media	2%
Legislators	0%
Inmates	0%
Method of request:	
Telephone/fax	40%
Mail	0%
Email/Internet	40%
In-person	2%
ICJIA Website	18%

Appendix C
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August 1, 2010 through October 31, 2010
Google Analytics

Months	Visitors			Page Views			
	Total Visits	New Visitors	Returning Visitors	All Visit Page Views	Page Views New Visits	Page Views Return Visits	Average Page Views
Aug-10	9,414	7,475	1,939	19,951	14,757	5,194	2.12
Sep-10	9,033	7,311	1,722	18,624	14,616	4,008	2.06
Oct-10	9,516	7,834	1,682	19,898	15,560	4,338	2.09
TOTAL	27,963	22,620	1,781	58,473	44,933	13,540	2.09
MONTHLY AVERAGE	9,321	7,540	1,781	19,491	14,978	4,513	2.09