




Homeless Mentally Ill Indigent Recidivism



Board of Supervisors
Response to the Grand Jury

Grand Jury Report Themes

- ▶ Target population = Homeless Persons who are Indigent with Mental Illness and Jail Recidivism
- ▶ Few opportunities for sustained treatment
- ▶ Role of ADMHS and Sheriff's Departments
 - ▶ Sheriff = MH assessment, case management, transitioning to out-patient care
 - ▶ ADMHS = Organize, monitor out-patient care to end the cycle
- ▶ Community, Judicial, Funding options



Findings

Grand Jury Findings

- ▶ Response costs \$12M/year
- ▶ Heroux Report estimated saving from ongoing treatment
- ▶ No cost estimate of Homeless Persons who are Indigent with Mental Illness and Jail Recidivism
- ▶ Lack of treatment beds
- ▶ Other counties exceed State requirements
- ▶ Treatment Courts are effective
- ▶ 50 agencies provide support
- ▶ No coordinating entity currently

Proposed Response

- ▶ Agree
- ▶ Agree
- ▶ Agree
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- ▶ Agree
- ▶ Agree



Recommendations

Grand Jury Recommendation

- ▶ Compare incarceration costs to cost of comprehensive services
- ▶ Hold Prison Health Services (PHS) accountable for MH screening
- ▶ Hold PHS accountable for continuum of services
- ▶ Hold PHS accountable for providing a foundation for a crime-free life

Proposed Response

- ▶ Further analysis
- ▶ Implemented
- ▶ Implemented
- ▶ Implemented



Recommendations

Grand Jury Recommendation

- ▶ Audit jail MH care practices
- ▶ Price out-patient treatment center
- ▶ Price out converting jail beds to treatment beds
- ▶ Fund MH Treatment Court expansion
- ▶ Direct ADMHS to lead all service efforts
- ▶ Direct ADMHS to develop outcomes
- ▶ Evaluate leadership in addressing the issue

Proposed Response

- ▶ Not to be implemented
 - ▶ Not to be implemented
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 - ▶ Not to be implemented
 - ▶ Not to be implemented
 - ▶ Implementation soon
 - ▶ Already implemented
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Recommendation Actions

- ▶ Consider and adopt responses in Attachment A
- ▶ Authorize the Chair to sign letter in Attachment A and forward the letter to the Presiding Judge with copy to the Foreperson of the Grand Jury

