



Data Analysis and Research Committee

Thursday, November 18, 2021, 8:30am via Zoom

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Attendees: Mandy Potapenko, Tom Reed, Constance Kostelac, Ken Streit, Stephanie Garbo, Derrick Lashua, Betsy Mueller, Chantell Jewell, Erin Perkins, Charles Vear, Sara Dewitt, Jarvell Williams, Christiana Robinson, Alyssa Doman

- 1) **Call Meeting to Order** – Mandy Potapenko and Connie Kostelac called the meeting to order at 8:34am. It was noted that Lynne Zidek (DA’s Office) and Nick DeSiato (MPD) sent their regrets.
- 2) **Racial Disparity Analyses – Environmental Scan** – Jarvell Williams, Racial Equity Coordinator and Trinity Fellow assigned to the CJC, has been researching racial equity analyses and plans as part of an environmental scan to identify laudable analyses Milwaukee County could utilize to develop measures and performance indicators for its own justice system analysis. Among the jurisdictions researched Hennepin County, Cook County, and Seattle were featured as locations with informative reports. It was suggested that information consolidation be one of the next steps in the process considering the vast amount of data available. Mandy will work with Jarvell to refine the report, highlight a few sites for others to review, and distribute the report to committee members.
- 3) **Updates on Jail and HOC Dashboards** – Derrick Lashua, jail population analyst with MCSO, provided a demonstration of the HOC dashboards in their current draft state. A tab has been added for arrest details and the landing page starts with key demographic information. The demographic information page now also includes military service and diploma/GED attainment. Additional filters and searchable criteria are continuing to be added to the dashboard. Superintendent Jewell and committee members thanked Derrick for his laudable work.
- 4) **CJC Executive Committee Dashboard Update** - Connie Kostelac provided an update and demonstration of the Executive Committee dashboard. Two links are active (law enforcement and pretrial), and a third is almost ready. The Wisconsin Policy Forum created jail dashboard that will likely be linked to the front end, without having to change everything and bring consistency between the different pieces of the dashboard. Pretrial information is pre-aggregated and will be updated once per month. Pretrial safety and release rates, GPW and OWI admission and discharges have been organized and added to the dashboard. There are currently no filters for date range but that is an option that can be added to see trends better over a shorter period. The committee provided feedback and thanked Connie for her and her team’s work on moving the dashboard forward.
- 5) **COVID-19 and Public Safety Data Project** - Connie Kostelac also walked through the proposed scope of work for the COVID and Public Safety Analysis. This analysis was requested by the EBDM Committee and will examine the policies enacted in response to COVID-19 and their outcomes in data. The committee discussed several metrics, including appearance rates, supervision compliance, and rearrest.
- 6) **Any other research or reports worthy of noting** – Mandy Potapenko reminded committee members of the expanded scope of this committee. Mandy would like members to bring forward reports and/or topics of interest at future meetings. Mandy noted that the Sentencing Project’s Report, “The Color of Justice,” cites that the state of Wisconsin has the highest disparities within the state prison population in the Country. Several organizations reached out regarding the report and wanted to see additional discussion in Milwaukee.
- 7) **CJC Website Updates** – Several state and local agencies are putting together dashboards. The CJC website will soon have an additional tab to link the various CJC dashboards, reports, and important organizations that work closely with the CJC. Anyone with dashboards or reports they would like to see added should contact Mandy Potapenko.

8) Any other items or business – None noted.

9) Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 10:01am. The committee agreed to forgo meeting in December due to the holidays. The committee will resume meeting in January 2022, on the 4th Thursday of the month, at 8:30am. Zoom information will remain the same and a calendar invitation will be sent to committee members. If important information arises before the next meeting (January 27, 2022) a special session may be called for those who are able to attend.