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Local Government Justice Reinvestment Commission Agenda
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Attendance

- ~~Allegany, Captain Daniel Lasher~~
- ~~Anne Arundel, Administrator John Kelson~~
- ~~Baltimore City, VACANT~~
- Baltimore, Director Walt Pesterfield
- Calvert, Captain Timothy Fridman
- Caroline, Warden Charles Scott
- Carroll, Major Dennis Harmon
- ~~Cecil, Lieutenant William Jolly~~
- Charles, Director Ryan Ross
- Dorchester, Director Don Satterfield
- Frederick, Assistant Director Randy Martin
- ~~Garrett County, Captain Joe Wise~~
- ~~Harford, VACANT~~
- Howard, Director Margaret Chippendale
- ~~Kent, VACANT~~
- Montgomery, Director Ben Stevenson
- Prince George's, Deputy Director Rodney Brockenbrough (designee)
- Queen Anne's, Warden LaMonte Cooke
- ~~Somerset, Sheriff Ronnie Howard~~
- St. Mary's, Warden Mary Ann Thompson, Chair
- Talbot, Director Joseph Hughes
- Washington, Maylon Campher
- ~~Wicomico, Director Stephanie King~~
- Worcester, Assistant Warden Shytina Drummond

Minutes

- **Welcome and Opening Remarks - Warden Mary Ann Thompson, Chair, Local Government Commission**

- **Roll Call - Lindsey McCullough, Justice Reinvestment Coordinator, Governor's Office of Crime Prevention and Policy (GOCPP)**

- **GOCPP Updates - Lindsey McCullough**
    - **FY26 PIGF**
        - PIGF/PJRA awards are all underway. Q1 ends on September 30th, Q1 reports are due in October. Next meeting will include spending and performance updates.
    - **Pretrial Improvement Project**
        - JRA Oversight Board has created workgroups to address 6 different aspects of pretrial improvement.
        - Workgroups will commence soon and will provide an update at the JRA Oversight Board meeting on October 20th.
        - McCullough will send out GOCPP's pretrial report to the Commission if not already done so.
    - **SIM Summit Recap**
        - Tatiana Reyes, GOCPP, discusses the Sequential Intercept Mapping event held last week. They hosted over 200 participants, and they received ample engagement and feedback from stakeholders. Day 1 included stakeholder presentations and Day 2 included group conversations within each intercept. Based on feedback, they are exploring ways to expand the intercept rooms, allowing for more time and organization within the sessions. Also looking to enhance cross-intercept collaboration.
        - Chair Thompson notes that the work of the locals spans many intercepts. She was pleased to see so many wardens and judges in attendance. She notes that three main topics came up, which are very relevant to the work of the locals: housing, transportation, and inpatient treatment.
        - Chair Thompson asks about what happens with the recommendations formed at this event.
        - Reyes explains that a report will be produced that includes what was discussed and recommended in the group sessions. They also take this information into the jurisdictional mappings, workgroups, advisory committees, etc. Reyes and her team meet with counties to discuss their SIM priorities and help them push forward legislation.
        - Rachel Ames, GOCPP, adds that these group conversations can identify issues occurring in many jurisdictions and allow GOCPP to elevate these issues for intervention at the state level.
        - GOCPP has done SIM mappings for Cecil, Charles, Calvert, Carroll, St. Mary's, Montgomery, Allegany, Washington, and Frederick. Policy Research Associates has conducted one for Prince George's and for the

Mid-Shore region. Upcoming mappings include Howard, Baltimore County, Garrett, and a remapping for Cecil.

- **PIGF Subrecipient Presentation: Gatekeepers - Keith Roys, Executive Director, and Bill Gaertner, Founder**
    - *See slides for more information.*
    - Gatekeepers has been in business for 12 years, and they were very involved with the Justice Reinvestment Act when it was first passed. It was founded inside prison when Gaertner and Roys were incarcerated in Baltimore. Gatekeepers is heavily involved in Washington County, in all three of the facilities in the area.
    - In addition to the State, they work closely with the local detention center and day reporting center in Hagerstown.
    - Roys explains the Business of Living model, a bullseye shape that places the individual in the red center. The outer yellow ring represents the goals that individuals develop in the personal, occupational, educational, and spiritual areas of their life. The middle orange ring represents action—the resources one needs to reach their goals.
    - Gatekeepers have become experts in seeking out resources to share with their participants. Their curriculum is available both in workbook and digital formats. These are available to individuals still incarcerated, and Gatekeepers go into the facilities to prepare these individuals for release and successful reentry.
    - If needed, they will pick up an individual being released and help them determine where their basic needs are and how they can be met.
    - They opened a Baltimore field office earlier this year.
    - The Gatekeepers Resource Club meets every Saturday morning, averaging 80-100 participants each Saturday. This includes individuals in reentry and recovery as well as community resources: employers, housing providers, Medicaid specialists, Motor Vehicle Administration, churches, etc.
    - Here, participants make connections with these service providers, building relationships and receiving services that help them meet their goals.
    - PIGF is an incredibly beneficial and effective source of funding for this organization. These funds have allowed them to expand their available resources and services to positively impact their communities.
    - Roys lists additional programs/resources they share with their participants:
        - Smoking cessation program (partnership with the local health department)
        - AHEC West assists with Medicaid enrollment
        - MVA assists in obtaining a State ID or Drivers License
        - Mental and Behavioral Health Therapy
        - Expungement Clinics (partnership with Maryland Legal Aid and Washington County Circuit Court)

        - CASA, Inc. provides services to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, abuse, and rape.
        - Trinity Lutheran Church runs a food pantry and a clothing closet.
        - Hubcity Vineyard provides multiple spiritual services and free transportation to their events.
    - Roys shares that the Business of Living is available in almost every state, with 1,229 facilities providing access to this curriculum. It currently has 10,903 completions.
    - Their program is available on tablets through Edovo and ViaPath. It is also available as a PDF in the local detention center.
    - McCullough will share slides with the Commission.

- **Open Discussion**
    - Chair Thompson introduces new member Assistant Warden Shytina Drummond from the Worcester County Jail.

- **Next Steps and Closing Remarks - Chair Thompson**
    - Commission assists with determining PIGF priority areas each fiscal year. No members mention wanting to make changes.
    - Suggests the next survey be about alternatives to incarceration.
    - Asks about recommendations to the Oversight Board. No comment from members.
    - McCullough asks about timing for next year's meetings. Members suggest keeping it to Mondays at 11:00.