Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice

# Community Corrections Task Force MINUTES

July 22, 2022 / 11:00AM-12:00PM Virtual Meeting

#### ATTENDEES TASK FORCE MEMBERS

Glenn Tapia, *Task Force Chair*, Division of Probation Services Katie Ruske, OCC/Division of Criminal Justice

#### **STAFF**

Richard Stroker, CCJJ Consultant Jack Reed, Research Director, Division of Criminal Justice Laurence Lucero, CCJJ Staff, Division of Criminal Justice

<b>Agenda</b> Review of Agenda	This is the first meeting of the Community Corrections Task Force of the Colorado Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice. The goals of the meeting are to review the statutory mandates of the Task Force, review membership, establish timelines/dates of future meetings and the agenda for
	the full first Task Force meeting.

Issue/Topic	Discussion
Mandates, Membership, Timelines/Future meeting dates, & Inaugural Agenda	The mandates of the Community Corrections Task Force is to address the community corrections topics outlined in <i>House Bill 2022-1368</i> , specifically:
	a) to establish a Task Force to examine and make findings and recommendations to the Commission concerning whether it is appropriate to improve access to community corrections programs for persons convicted of misdemeanors;
	b) on or before July 1, 2023, the Task Force shall create a report of its findings and recommendations and submit them to the Commission; and
	c) during the 2024 Legislative Session, the Commission shall include, as part of its 2024 SMART Act hearing, the findings and recommendations gathered by the Task Force.
	Regarding the elements of study, the Task Force will address the community corrections topics also outlined in House Bill 2022-1368, namely:
	(a) an analysis of the population convicted of misdemeanors, including crimes of conviction and assessed risk by gender, age, race, and ethnicity;
	(b) the services provided by community corrections programs that may be beneficial to persons convicted of misdemeanors;

Issue/Topic	(c) which persons convicted of misdemeanors, based on their assessed risk,
Mandates, Membership, Timelines/Future meeting dates, &	would benefit from services provided by community corrections programs;
Inaugural Agenda (continued)	<ul> <li>(d) the ability to provide services to persons convicted of misdemeanors that align with their assessed risk using existing community corrections program resources;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(e) parameters for persons convicted of misdemeanors to access services at residential and nonresidential community corrections programs;</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>(f) what costs persons convicted of misdemeanors are responsible for at community corrections programs;</li> </ul>
	(g) what funding is necessary for community corrections programs to serve persons convicted of misdemeanors; and
	(h) what changes, including legislation, are necessary for community corrections programs to better serve persons convicted of misdemeanors.
	The membership of the Community Corrections Task Force is defined in statute ( <i>H.B. 2022-1368</i> ). Glenn Tapia was appointed as the Task Force Chair and the Vice Chair will be appointed soon. Jack Reed has communicated with Colorado stakeholders to invite them to participate in qualifying member positions on the Community Corrections Task Force. As the potential members have expressed interest in participating in the work and the membership nearly complete, Jack Reed will submit the list to Stan Hilkey and Abigail Tucker for appointments. The copy of the list of members was forwarded to Glenn Tapia and Katie Ruske.
	The group decided that the Task Force will meet monthly. The next Task Force meeting will be on Monday, August 22 from 10:30 am to 12 pm.
	Starting in September 2022 and when not conflicting with state holidays, the Task Force will meet on the Mondays preceding the Commission meetings (which occur on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month).
	Subsequent to the meeting, the following Task Force meeting dates were scheduled:
	9/12/22; 10/10/22; 11/7/22; 12/5/22; 1/9/23; 2/6/23; 3/6/23; 4/10/23; 5/8/23; and 6/5/23.
	The agenda for the next full Community Corrections Task Force meeting was discussed as follows: - Introductions
	<ul> <li>Overview of CCJJ (TF, timeline, duties and roles, voting process) (Jack Reed)</li> <li>House Bill 2022-1368</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Presentation of relevant data         <ul> <li>Analysis of population convicted of misdemeanors by crimes, risks, gender, age, race &amp; ethnicity (Glenn Tapia)</li> <li>Next steps</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Issue/Topic Mandates, Membership, Timelines/Future meeting dates, & Inaugural Agenda <i>(continued)</i>	<ul> <li>The group discussed future meeting goals, which will include feedback from</li> <li>Task Force members about the statutory mandates, the scope of work, current efforts from community corrections programs, the type of population appropriate for the programs, and violations. Glenn Tapia expressed that it is critical to define the targeted population defined in statute and believed that there are two categories: 1) people who committed a misdemeanor offense and serve their sentence in community corrections programs <i>as a condition of their probation</i>; 2) people who committed a misdemeanor offense and were <i>diverted</i> from the court in community corrections programs.</li> <li>Katie Ruske offered to gather information on the capacity and current availability of beds in community corrections programs for presentation at a future meeting.</li> </ul>
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Issue/Topic Adjournment	Conclusion
Richard Stroker, CCJJ Consultant	Richard reiterated the agreed upon meeting schedule with the next meeting to occur on August 22, 2022 at 10:30 am. Members of the Task Force will hear an overview of the Commission and information related to the population convicted of misdemeanors.
	With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 12pm.

## **Next Meeting**

### Mondays, August 22, 2022 / 10:30am-12:00 pm

Meeting information will be emailed to members and posted at, colorado.gov/ccjj/ccjj-meetings