



Governor's Re-entry Council, Steering Committee Minutes – Meeting # 37 – June 6, 2012

Steering Committee Members Attending: Mark Cadotte, Dan Thompson, Patrick Vance, Paula Bauer, Martin Burrows, Tim Moore, Paul Solomon, Greg Hamann

Guests: Renee Ann O'Malley, Amy Cook, Doug Cooper, Patty Katz, Dawnell Meyer, Megan Churchill, Lorin Dunlop

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| Welcome and Introductions | | |
| Review of Minutes from the May 2, 2012 Meeting | Copies of the draft minutes were distributed to members via e-mail. Changes will be made prior to posting on the Re-entry Council website. | |
| Announcements and Updates from Members | <p><u>Patrick Vance:</u></p> <p>Continuity of Care Work Group update: There is a pilot project in Marion County through Commissioner Janet Carlson's office. Ms. Carlson has been taking an active role with re-entry for Marion County. Partner agencies have been working with her and the Salem Free Clinic to establish a group of offenders with severe mental illness who will be placed under psychiatric care with the Salem Free clinic upon release from prison. A process is being developed to pre-qualify the inmates for the Marion/Polk Med-Assist program through a targeted reach-in process at OSP. Once pre-qualified, the inmate will receive an additional 90 days of medication through Med-Assist once their 30-day post-release supply of medications from DOC is exhausted; thereby, giving the offender 120 total days of medication. This also allows time to establish eligibility for other medical assistance services.</p> <p>The Marion County partnership is also working on a free dental program; however, dentists are reluctant to volunteer due to liability concerns. Working with the Salem Free clinic to develop this program and work through the barriers.</p> <p>DOC will soon pilot a with institution dentists to develop release profiles of the dental work completed on an inmate while incarcerated. This information will accompany dental records upon release, so their care can be continued once released.</p> <p>Linn and Benton County are looking to develop a voucher system for medical clinic. They would like to use the project with Marion County as a template to develop their program.</p> | |

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| | <p><u>Patty Katz:</u></p> <p>Ms. Katz is developing a gender-specific 'toolkit' for women releasing from prison. She will pilot the toolkit with a couple focus groups to evaluate what does and doesn't work. A final draft of the toolkit will be complete in a couple of months.</p> <p><u>Paul Solomon:</u></p> <p>Mr. Solomon attended the Second Chance Act Conference. He reported it was a good conference, there were approximately 800 attendees, and Oregon was well represented. The current administration shows genuine support for the Second Chance Grant money.</p> | |
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| Re-entry Transition Center, Multnomah County, Doug Cooper and Anne O'Malley | Mercy Corps NW, RTC/ROAR from Portland, Oregon. Please reference handout. |  ReentryTransitionCenterPresentation.pdf |
| Criminal Justice Commission, Lorin Dunlop | <p>Ms. Dunlop reported the Re-entry Center Grant program was a one-time opportunity. There was never the intention to offer it again. CJC is doing an evaluation and will be determining what to solicit legislature for. There has been a 40% cut to grant monies through CJC. There is hope that the re-entry center grant money will be requested through the legislature. This is yet to be determined.</p> <p>Action: Need to request the Re-entry Council to play a role with legislature in supporting the request for grant monies for the Re-entry Center grants.</p> | |
| Next Meeting | The next meeting will be held on August 1, 2012, 1:30 – 3:30 PM, at DMV Headquarters | |