



CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION 2004 ANNUAL REPORT



The Criminal Justice Commission acts as an advisory body to the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners on all criminal justice programs, policies and funding. It has 33 members and works through its committees and task forces.



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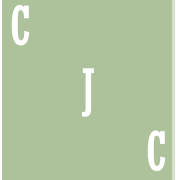
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A Message From The Chair



It was extremely gratifying to be Chair of the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) during the past year. I am pleased to present our 2004 Annual Report which highlights our activities throughout the year.

The CJC's overall mission is to provide an efficient, cost effective and timely criminal justice system to the citizens of Palm Beach County – and I can report that our activities during 2004 succeeded in forwarding that assignment.

During 2004, the CJC's committees and task forces contributed significantly to providing an efficient criminal justice system. The Law Enforcement Planning Council is working with Palm Beach Community College and Facilities Management to obtain a site for a countywide law enforcement training facility. This will be available to all law enforcement agencies in the county – a significant step forward in providing well-trained professional protection and will coordinate all applicable training with Fire Services. Through its 40-hour course, the Crisis Intervention Team program trained 111 law enforcement and health professionals to better respond to, assess and diffuse situations involving mentally ill offenders.

I am delighted to share that the work of the Law Enforcement Planning Council, Countywide Weed and Seed, Drug Court, and Truancy Interdiction Program will continue through cooperative funding partnerships. We are also working closely with the City of Belle Glade to develop its Weed and Seed initiative. The CJC's goal of making available a cost effective criminal justice system is well-represented by the advancing of these projects.

The Corrections Task Force/Public Safety Coordinating Council continued the CJC's objective of providing a timely criminal justice system. With the expertise of ISS and cooperation of the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Department, inmates are now able to meet with their public defenders through videoconference. This will save hours of travel and waiting time for both clients and public defenders, and decrease valuable jail staff time used moving inmates throughout the facility. In addition, new arrestees are now allowed phone access for local calls in the jail intake area, enabling some to bond out earlier. This measure saves time for the courts, lawyers and offenders and also allows for more appropriate use of jail space.

As you can imagine, successful undertakings of this type would not be possible without the able assistance of our 200 private and public sector volunteers – the members of the Criminal Justice Commission and our committees. My thanks go out to these dedicated people for enabling my year as Chair to move the CJC's mission forward. The Board of County Commissioners also deserves special thanks for creating and supporting the CJC, and for giving all of us the opportunity to serve the citizens of Palm Beach County.

Space does not allow me to list all of the CJC's accomplishments during 2004. I hope you will take the time to read the entire Annual Report and discover the scope of this worthwhile organization.

Sincerely,

Wendy S. Link

Wendy Sartory Link
Chair



CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION OFFICERS

CHAIR WENDY SARTORY LINK is President and Managing Partner of Ackerman, Link & Sartory, P.A. She concentrates her practice in the areas of commercial loan transactions, general corporate matters, real estate acquisitions and sales, leasing, workouts, real estate and asset-based financing, and title insurance. Ms. Link received her Bachelor's Degree with Distinction from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, and her Juris Doctorate from Duke University School of Law.



In addition to serving on the Criminal Justice Commission, Ms. Link serves on the Board of Directors of the Economic Council of Palm Beach County, President-Elect of the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches, 2002 SunFest President, The Education Foundation, The Forum Club, Leadership West Palm Beach and Leadership Palm Beach County. She was named by Fast Track Magazine as one of South Florida's 50 Most Successful Businesswomen, and has twice been listed as one of South Florida's Top Lawyers by the South Florida Legal Guide. She has been a CJC member since 1998. She is an active member of a variety of other community organizations. She resides in Palm Beach Gardens with her husband, Scott, and their twin sons, Christopher and Michael.

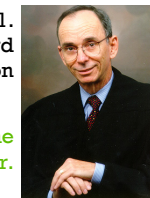


VICE CHAIRMAN LEO E. NOBLE, past Chair of the Economic Council of Palm Beach County Inc., is the owner and founder of Noble Consulting, Inc. Mr. Noble is the retired chairman of the Board of Lawson, Noble and Webb, Inc., a South Florida consulting engineering firm founded in 1981. Through Lawson-Noble, he was extensively involved in a wide variety of public, private and transportation related design and construction projects, which extended through Florida and the Caribbean Basin.

In addition to his leadership position on the Economic Council, he also is chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee of the Palm Beach County Metropolitan Planning Organization and chaired the Technical Advisory Group to oversee the implementation of school concurrency in Palm Beach County.

His past public service includes membership on the Boards of Directors of the Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber of Commerce of the Palm Beaches, SunFest of Palm Beach County, the Law Enforcement Assistance Foundation and Palm Beach County's Environmentally Sensitive Lands Acquisition Selection Committee. Mr. Noble also is a former chairman of the County's Policy Development Task Force, which was charged with rewriting Palm Beach County's Comprehensive Plan. He has been a CJC member since 1997.

SECRETARY EDWARD FINE assumed the duties of Chief Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit on July 1, 2001. Judge Fine was born in Michigan and raised in Hollywood, Florida, where he graduated from South Broward High School in 1964. He graduated from Vanderbilt University in 1968 with a degree in Business Administration and from the University of Florida Law School in 1971 with a Juris Doctor degree.



Upon graduation, Judge Fine served as an Assistant Public Defender in Palm Beach County, where he became the Chief Assistant Public Defender. In 1974, he entered private practice in West Palm Beach as a trial lawyer. He was an associate and eventual partner with Campbell, Colbath, Kapner and Fine.

Judge Fine was appointed as a judge of the Palm Beach County Court by Governor Askew in July, 1978. As a Palm Beach County Judge, he presided in traffic court, civil and small claims court and criminal court. In 1986 Judge Fine was appointed by Governor Graham to the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit Court. He has presided in the Circuit Court Criminal, Juvenile, Family and Civil Divisions. He has served as Administrative Judge of the County Court, the Circuit Court Criminal and Civil Divisions, and the South Palm Beach County Courthouse. He has been a CJC member since July 2001.



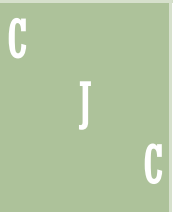
TREASURER JAMES BARR is a seasoned executive with over thirty years of professional, financial and managerial experience. Major strengths in planning, organization and supervision in addition to contract and project negotiations.

Mr. Barr is the president of Palm Beach Transportation, the largest ground transportation company in Palm Beach County. His impressive past professional positions have been as the Vice President Commercial Lending of Harris Bank, Executive Vice President/Chief Financial Officer of The Fremont Company, Vice President and Managing Executive of Northern Trust Bank of Florida and President of Boca Bank.

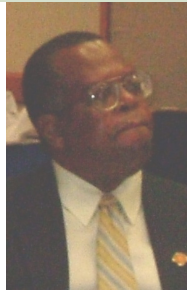
Mr. Barr has served in the military as a Lieutenant in the United States Navy. He received his MBA from the University of California, Berkeley. Mr. Barr has also been involved in many community organizations. He is currently the Director of the Economic Council of Palm Beach County and has been the Chairman of the Greater Boca Raton Chamber of Commerce, the Boca Raton Academy Trustees and the Palm Beach County Convention and Visitors Bureau. He has also served on other organizations such as the Boca Raton Rotary Club, the Citizens Advisory Committee of the Metropolitan Planning Organization and Spanish River High School Advisory Council.



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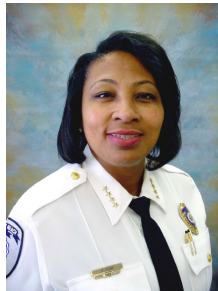
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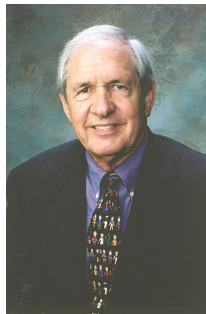
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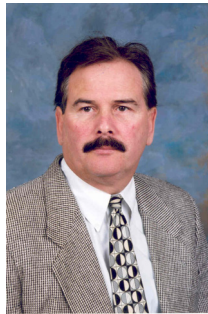
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Clerk of the Court





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Ex-Officio Member*



Gerald Richman
Priscilla Taylor



MISSION

The Criminal Justice Commission is established to study all aspects of the criminal justice and crime prevention systems within the federal, state, county, municipal and private agencies within the county. This purpose shall include the study of the health and human services and educational systems, among others, as they pertain to criminal justice or crime prevention.

HISTORY

In August 1988, the Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) was established by County Ordinance 88-16. It is composed of 21 criminal justice agency heads and 12 representatives from the business community.

The CJC was created to develop crime prevention initiatives and to affect the crime rate and its accompanying rising cost to the County. County officials and business leaders built a unique partnership when they created the CJC. The theory of government and business working as a team to solve the problems of a community was not the norm. The CJC is a statewide model for criminal justice cooperation and coordination.

Initially, the CJC commissioned a comprehensive study of the entire criminal justice system in Palm Beach County. This 1990 study resulted in almost 100 recommendations for improving the cost-effectiveness and efficiency of the system. The CJC created eight task forces, including the Criminal Justice Information System, Corrections, Drug/Alcohol Abuse Prevention, Crime Prevention, Court System, Human Services, Juvenile Justice/Education, and Law Enforcement to assess the recommendations and develop implementation plans. The basic committee structure has evolved into its present form of over 15 committees and task forces, with the focus concentrating on all aspects of crime prevention, law enforcement, courts and corrections.

Today, the Criminal Justice Commission is respected as the forum for review of any policy, procedure, program, grant, legislation, or issue that impacts the criminal justice system in the County. Through its committee process and the dedication of professionals from a wide range of disciplines, the CJC continues to provide a necessary service to the citizens of Palm Beach County.

Successes of 2004

The CJC engaged in many worthwhile efforts over the past year that are too numerous to mention in this document. Suffice it to say, each of these endeavors involved great effort on the part of our members and staff. The following are highlights of what was accomplished in 2004:

Byrne Grant Committee

This year, the Byrne Grant Committee distributed more than \$637,180 to 11 agencies. Also, \$258,252 in Local Law Enforcement Block Grants (LLEBG) were distributed to two projects. Additional LLEBG funds of \$353,850 were used for two projects.

Community Justice Service Center (CJSC)

In August, our Community Court celebrated its fifth year anniversary and changed its name to the Community Justice Service Center (CJSC) which reflects its expanded mission.

This year the CJSC processed 2,151 new cases. Offenders completed 22,384 hours of community service to revitalize the community. The CJSC also responded to the need of 9,280 walk-ins who voluntarily came into the Center seeking an array of social service needs.

Crisis Intervention Team Program (CIT)

The CIT is a program to train law enforcement officers to more respond appropriately and deal effectively when coming into contact with mentally ill offenders. Four classes graduated a total of 111 police officers from over 15 law enforcement agencies in Palm Beach County.

Corrections Task Force

The Corrections Task Force was instrumental in providing free local telephone access for new arrestees and videoconferencing capabilities for inmates. The Task Force is working with the PBC Sheriff's Office to obtain access to its new database to better inform the BCC with regard to the jail population.

Court System Task Force

The Court System Task Force was asked to conduct a study on the impact of additional law enforcement officers on the criminal justice system. The study concluded that an increase in population, coupled with an increase in the law enforcement officer allocations, resulted in an increase in the number of arrests made. Assessing the implication of this study has been made a priority for 2005.

Criminal Justice Education Task Force

Over 60 citizens attended one of two 11-week Criminal Justice Academies this year. The Criminal Justice Academy was the first program featured in "Palm Beaches Extra" on Channel 20.

Domestic Security Committee

The Domestic Security Committee developed a countywide anti-terrorism standard operating procedure for all law enforcement agencies in Palm Beach County to address acts of domestic terrorism. The same committee also compiled and distributed a Current Anti-Terrorism Resource Inventory to all law enforcement agencies.



Ex-Offender Re-entry Program

One hundred eighty-five new applications have been received and 95 have been deemed "eligible" for services. All 95 entered the program. This year, a total of eighteen clients have successfully completed Project R.E.A.P. and 34 have successfully been employed thru the Project.

Funding Allocation and Evaluation Committee

This Committee secured a \$1 million annual funding commitment from the BCC to provide stability for CJC programs that may be in jeopardy due to cuts in federal grant allocations. The BCC agreed the funding commitment would be recurring and any unused funds may be carried over to the following year.

Gun Safety Initiative

The Task Force distributed over 200 gun locks and 2,000 gun safety videos at the Palm Beach County Fair and the National Night Out Against Crime event. On "Locks to Cops Day," 2,000 gun locks and 2,000 personal gun safety records pamphlets were distributed to local law enforcement agencies to disperse to their residents.

Law Enforcement Planning Council (LEPC)

The LEPC is moving forward in obtaining a law enforcement training facility that will be used by all law enforcement agencies in the county. In keeping with its mandate to improve coordination and cooperation among law enforcement agencies in Palm Beach County, the LEPC reviewed, revised and renewed the current Palm Beach County Mutual Aid Agreement, which permits voluntary cooperation and assistance of a routine law enforcement nature across jurisdictional lines, as well as providing for the rendering of assistance in a law enforcement emergency.

Legislative Issues Committee

This committee educated local legislators on the potential effect of HB155, which is a bill that addresses Firearm Records. As a result, the bill was substantially amended in favor of law enforcement.

Visual Planning Technology (VPT)

The BCC approved \$499,900 for the development and deployment of a system to integrate disparate judiciary and law enforcement information systems. This will include the VPT pilot project which will take approximately six months to implement..

Weed and Seed Program

The Weed and Seed Steering Committee has successfully supported and advised four active sites. The Evaluation Subcommittee developed a uniform outcome reporting system which will highlight the sites' successes individually and countywide.



PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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Tony Masilotti
Chairman
District 6



In 1988, the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners created the Criminal Justice Commission to develop innovative processes for coordinating criminal justice issues. Although county government is responsible for a large portion of criminal justice system costs in Florida, the local government has little authority in determining these costs.

The Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners reasoned that the most effective way to control costs is through a more collaborative criminal justice system and has been supportive of the CJC since its inception. In addition, per the Bylaws, a Commissioner serves as an active CJC member.



Warren Newell
District 3



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Vice Chairperson
District 7



Mary McCarty
District 4



Karen T. Marcus
District 1



Burt Aaronson
District 5



Jeff Koons
District 2



A Message From County Administration

*Dear Chairman Masilotti and
Members, Board of County Commissioners:*

The Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) was created by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) in 1988 to study and advise the BCC on all issues related to the health and safety of Palm Beach County residents.

The CJC is composed of 21 public agency executives and 12 private sector business and educational leaders. The CJC accomplishes its Mission by utilizing the talents and expertise of these 33 individuals and their diverse backgrounds to research and collaborate on emerging criminal justice issues in Palm Beach County.

We congratulate the CJC for its many accomplishments this past year. Naming a few would include the Crisis Intervention Team training being provided to law enforcement officers in Palm Beach County. The CIT program trains officers how to deal more effectively with mentally ill offenders. The Criminal Justice Education Task Force graduated 60 citizens from the two 11-week Citizen's Criminal Justice Academies designed to educate citizens on how the justice system functions in Palm Beach County. The Gun Safety program promotes responsible gun ownership by distributing thousands of free gun locks and gun safety videos to help protect our children from injury and or death from unlocked firearms.

We thank all 33 CJC members and over 200 additional individuals serving on the CJC task forces and committees. It is through their dedication and commitment to improving the quality of life for all residents that programs such as these are implemented. The collaboration of public and private sector partnerships has resulted in a unique and effective approach to addressing health and public safety needs in Palm Beach County.

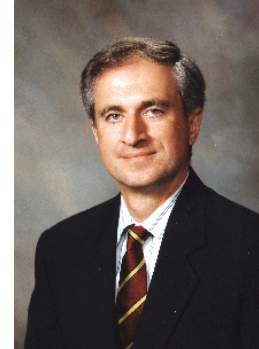
Sincerely,

Robert Weisman

Robert Weisman
County Administrator

Vince Bonvento

Vince Bonvento
Assistant County Administrator



Robert Weisman
County
Administrator



Vince Bonvento
Assistant
County
Administrator





FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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2004 ended on a very difficult note with weather conditions that disrupted and affected many of us in different ways. In spite of this, I am proud of the accomplishments we were able to achieve with your continued support and involvement. The CJC is truly a collaborative effort involving both public and private sector individuals dedicated to improving the local justice system, thereby improving the quality of life for all citizens of Palm Beach County.

As we review the list of accomplishments under the leadership of Chair Wendy Link, I realize they are too numerous to mention. I will single out but a few for recognition.

The Byrne Grant Committee once again performed admirably by reviewing funding proposals and distributing more than \$637,000 to 11 separate agencies. In addition, Local Law Enforcement Block Grants, whose federal allocation to Palm Beach County was cut by more than half, still disbursed over \$250,000 to fund two projects.

Community Court celebrated its fifth complete year of operation and officially changed its name to Community Justice Service Center. Research continues on the possible expansion of a Community Justice Service Center to a second location in a CCRT area located in the unincorporated area of the county.

In 2004, the CJC is also pleased to have introduced the Crisis Intervention Team training to law enforcement officers throughout the county, through which officers are learning how to more effectively deal with mentally ill offenders. It has been estimated that as many as 17% of the offenders entering the justice system have a mental disorder that requires specialized handling. We salute the many mental health professionals who contribute their time to provide this valuable training to law enforcement.

The Domestic Security Committee, made up of local law enforcement professionals, developed a countywide anti-terrorism standard operating procedure for all law enforcement agencies in Palm Beach County to address acts of domestic terrorism. The same committee also compiled and distributed a current Anti-Terrorism Resource Inventory to all law enforcement agencies.

Programs initiated by the CJC require start-up funding until a permanent home for them is identified. The Funding Allocation and Evaluation Committee was able to provide program security for a number of existing programs and staff and for the future by obtaining a \$1,000,000 annual funding commitment from the Board of County Commissioners.

In addition to these, other equally significant accomplishments are listed in this annual report. It has been estimated that over 200 dedicated individuals volunteer their time and efforts annually to the CJC. It is the culmination of these efforts that results in the many successes of the CJC. I wish to take this opportunity to thank these unnamed individuals for the many hours they have invested in projects that improve the criminal justice system in Palm Beach County.

Sincerely,

L. Diana Cunningham

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION STAFF

L. Diana Cunningham



Ms. Cunningham has been the CJC's Executive Director since December 1990. She has a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice and over 30 years experience in direct services, administration, planning and policy development. She was the founding director of the Alachua County, Florida, Department of Court Services; she developed the County Court Probation, Community Service and Pretrial Service programs for Polk County, Florida; and she was the founding director of the Department

of Youth Services for the Navajo Nation.. She has development numerous programs and federal initiatives including three Weed and Seed sites, a Community Court and a Drug Court.



Candee Carigma
Criminal Justice Analyst



Lillian Chappelle
Court Reporter



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Court Case Advisor



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Senior Secretary
CJSC



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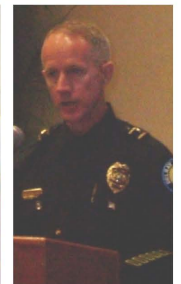


Becky Walker
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THE CJC AND ITS COMMITTEES AT WORK

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THE CJC AND ITS COMMITTEES AT WORK





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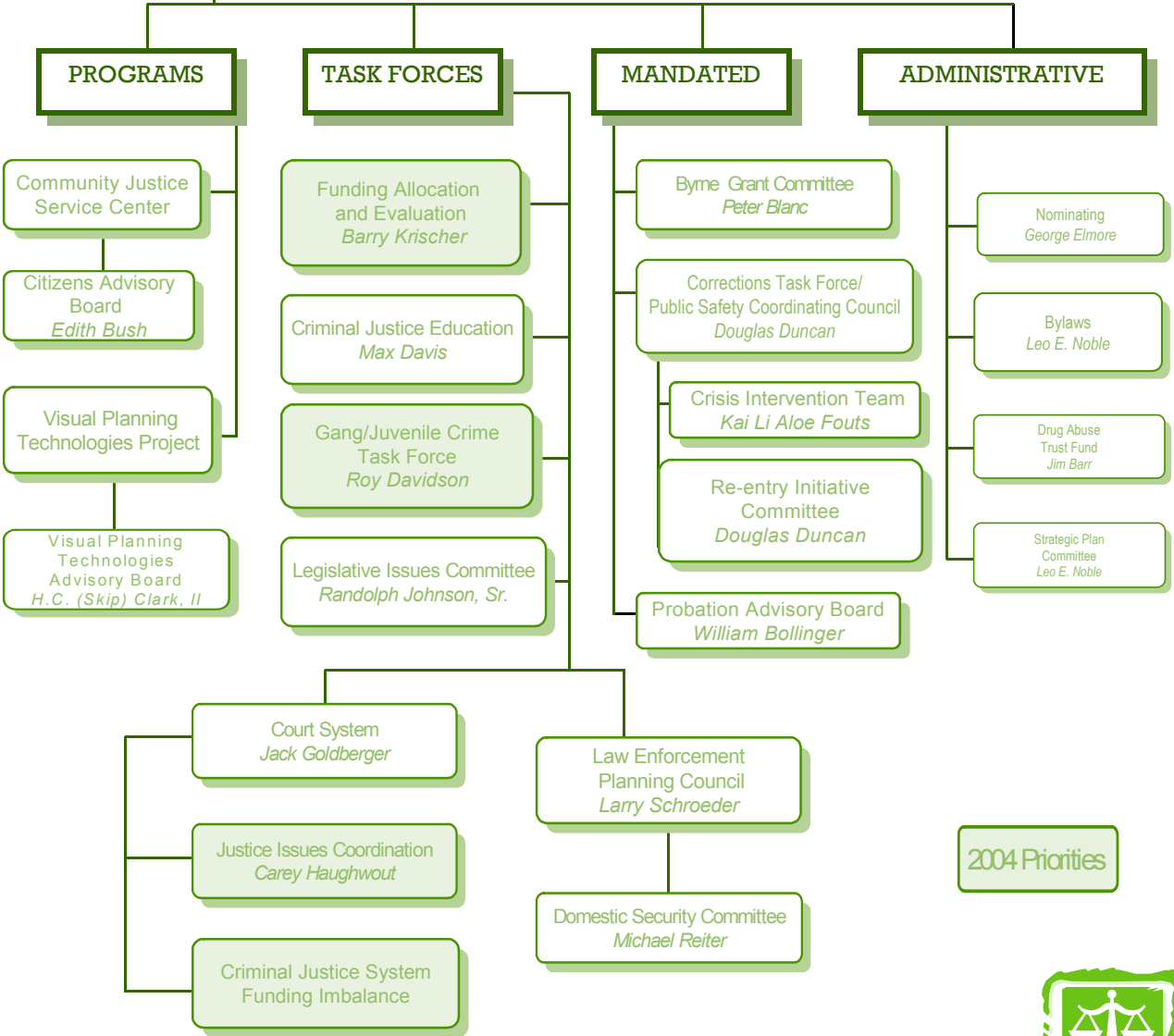
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2004 Priorities



THE CJC'S PURPOSE AREAS

Four primary purpose areas have been identified that encompass the CJC's mission to serve as a catalyst to bring together criminal justice and related agencies in partnership—

Crime Prevention



Law Enforcement



Courts



Corrections



CRIME PREVENTION

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Community Justice Service Center

*Citizen's Advisory Board
Chair, Edith Bush*



Purpose

Serves the residents of the West Palm Beach Weed and Seed area by addressing low-level misdemeanor quality of life crimes and providing on-site social services. The Citizen's Advisory Board offers input and is an integral part of the Center's operation.

Members

Rev. Randy Boone,
Salvation Army Northwest Community Center

Vanessa Bracey, *Resident*

Captain Gary Carroll,
West Palm Beach Police Department

Officer Lori Colombino,
West Palm Beach Police Department

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Pleasant City Multi-Cultural Center

Craig Spatara, *Safe Haven Coordinator*

Coni Williams, *Front Porch Florida*

Luvenia Washington,
Riviera Beach Drug Coalition

2004 Accomplishments

- 2,150 new cases set
- 4,271 hours of Community Service completed by offenders
- 89% compliance rate on Community Service sanctions
- Over 9,000 non-offender resident walk-ins with multi-social service needs, averaging 770 non-offender walk-ins monthly who are assisted with multiple services
- Social Services include linkage, referral and/or on-site services for HIV/AIDS education and health promotion, homelessness services, GED, computer and typing classes, employment, Acupuncture, family reunification, emergency food, housing, clothing, and transportation
- 434 offenders assisted with substance/alcohol abuse evaluation and treatment
- 241 residents assisted with employment services
- 125 first time juvenile offenders assisted through the Juvenile First Offender Program
- Conducted four Citizen Advisory Board Meetings consisting of local business owners, local law enforcement service providers and residents addressing community issues





Chairman, Max Davis

Criminal Justice Education

Purpose

To educate citizens about CJC issues, programs, and accomplishments and to provide educational forums whereby citizens can learn more about the criminal justice system and how it operates



2004 Accomplishments

- Two 11-week Academies informed over 60 citizens about various aspects of the criminal justice system in Palm Beach County. The 2004 winter session was based at the main Courthouse in West Palm Beach, and the 2004 fall session was based at the South County Courthouse in Delray Beach.
- **Members of the CJC met individually with Palm Beach County Commissioners and Administration to discuss Revision 7 of Article V of the Florida Constitution and its anticipated impact on the local criminal justice system.**
- In March, State Attorney Barry Krischer and Citizen's Academy student Raul Zeballos discussed the Academy on the first edition of "Palm Beaches Extra". The program was aired in March and April on PBC-TV 20.



Members

Dale Armstrong
*Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms
& Explosives*

Roy Davidson
BallenIsles Development Company

Honorable Edward H. Fine
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Honorable Carey Haughwout
Public Defender

Randy Johnson, Sr.
Communications by Johnson, Inc.

Wendy Sartory Link
CJC Chair

Richard Lubin
Lubin, Volker & Olea, P.A.

Priscilla Taylor
P. Taylor Insurance Associates



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Drug Abuse Trust Fund Committee



Chairman, Jim Barr

Purpose

To administer the Drug Abuse Trust Fund and make funding recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners through the Criminal Justice Commission

Members

H.C. Clark, II
Chiefs of Police Association

Honorable Edward Fine
Chief Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit

Honorable Barry Krischer
State Attorney

Honorable Carey Haughwout
Public Defender

Wendy Sartory Link
CJC Chair

Valerie Rolle
Florida Department of Corrections



2004 Accomplishments

The DATF Committee allocated funding for the following substance abuse treatment programs for FY2005:

\$456,192 - Drug Court Treatment for program operating costs

\$79,000 - Ex-Offender Re-Entry Treatment

\$100,000 - Community Justice Services Center Program for social and clinical services including substance abuse treatment

\$108,531 - A one-time, non-recurring funding allocation to the Comprehensive Alcohol Rehabilitation Residential Assessment Program for start-up costs to establish a homeless residential treatment program



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Chairman, Barry Krischer

Funding Allocation & Evaluation

Purpose

To review programs, purposes, and outcomes and advise the CJC on funding needs for its recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners

2004 Accomplishments

- ◆ Monitored anticipated fiscal impact of Article V/ Revision 7 on local criminal justice system initiatives.
- ◆ Met with substance abuse and mental health funders to determine if funding could be obtained to support substance abuse and mental health treatment for CJC programs.
- ◆ Participated in June 2 and July 14 BCC budget workshops to determine BCC program funding priorities.
- ◆ Secured a \$1 million annual recurring funding commitment from the BCC for CJC programs -
 - Law Enforcement Planning Council
 - Countywide Weed and Seed Coordinator
 - Drug Court Clerical Specialist
 - Countywide Truancy Interdiction Program Coordinator
 - Belle Glade Weed and Seed Initiative
 - Byrne Grant Local Match
- ◆ Reviewed and approved \$120,000 to fund Weed and Seed operations for Belle Glade from the \$1 million BCC funding commitment.
- ◆ Reviewed and approved a funding request from the Comprehensive Alcohol Rehabilitation Program (CARP) for a one-time, non-recurring allocation of \$108,531 to support the Homeless/Substance Abuse Residential Program administered by CARP.

After securing FY05 funding for CJC programs, the Committee was sunset on October 8, 2004. An Evaluation Committee was created to review program evaluations conducted by staff.



Members

James Barr
Palm Beach Transportation

Sharon Bock
*Palm Beach County
Clerk of Court's Office*

Roy Davidson
BallenIsles Development

Jorge Dominicis
The GEO Group

George T. Elmore
Hardrives of Delray, Inc.

Edward Fine
Chief Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit

Carey Haughwout
Public Defender

Feirmon Johnson
Florida Department of Juvenile Justice

Randolph K. Johnson, Sr.
Communications by Johnson

David Kalinich
Florida Atlantic University

Wendy Sartory Link,
Ackerman, Link & Sartory, P.A.

Thomas Lynch
Palm Beach County School Board

Warren Newell
Board of County Commissioners

Leo E. Noble
Economic Council

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Grant Administration Byrne Grant Committee



Chairman, Hon. Peter Blanc

Purpose

To review grant proposals from Palm Beach County local governments for the Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Assistance Formula Grant Program and to provide a funding allocation recommendation to the Criminal Justice Commission

Members

Robert Blomquist
League of Cities

H.C. Clark, II
Chiefs of Police Association

Nancy Dixon
PBC Victim Services

Carey Haughwout
Public Defender's Office

David Kerr
Florida Department of Children & Families

Fairman Johnson
Florida Department of Juvenile Justice

Warren Newell
Board of County Commissioners

Valerie Rolle
Florida Department of Corrections

Ken Selvig
State Attorney's Office

Alton Taylor
Drug Abuse Foundation

William Tremer
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office



2004 Accomplishments

- Released local Request For Proposal on March 15th
- Received 15 "Notice of Intent" to apply forms
- Received funding allocation announcement from Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) on April 16th for **\$726,880**
- Received 14 proposals totaling **\$1,816,619**
- Held committee meeting on April 21st to review proposals for recommendation to the CJC
- Sent 11 applications to FDLE on May 20th totaling **\$992,649 (\$726,880 Federal and \$265,769 Match)**
- Projects met all program goals and objectives



Projects Selected For Funding

- Automated Fingerprint Identification System
- Forensic Accounting
- Visual Planning Technologies
- Drug Court Treatment
- Community Court Community Treatment
- Violence Against Women
- Family Restart
- New Hope
- Weed and Seed Coordinator
- Crime Analysis Program Administration



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Gun Safety Initiative



Chairman, Warren Newell

Purpose

To promote gun safety initiatives and distribute gun safety locks throughout Palm Beach County

2004 Accomplishments

- Over 200 gun locks and 2,000 Gun Safety videos were distributed to the residents of Palm Beach County at the South Florida Fair and through local law enforcement agencies for their National Night Out Against Crime activities.
- Over 2,000 Personal Firearm Safety Pamphlets were distributed to residents in Palm Beach County. They were created by the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives for lawful firearm owners to record their personal firearms information on this pamphlet, so in the event their firearms are ever stolen they will have a full description to provide to police. These pamphlets were created to assist law enforcement in returning recovered stolen firearms to their lawful owners.
- Held “Locks To Cops” event through which 2,000 gunlocks and 2,000 Personal Firearm Records were distributed to local law enforcement for use by residents they encounter during their patrol.

Locks To Cops — 2004



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Legislative Issues



Chairman, Randolph K. Johnson, Sr.

Purpose

To review, track, inform, and make recommendations to the Criminal Justice Commission and the public on potential legislation that affects the criminal justice system

Members

Edward Bieluch
Sheriff, Palm Beach County

Sharon Bock
Office of the Clerk of the Court

H.C. Skip Clark II
Chief, Juno Beach Police Department

Max Davis
*Economic Council of Palm Beach
County*

Edward H. Fine
Chief Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit

Adam Hasner
*Florida House of Representatives
87th District*

Carey Haughwout
Public Defender

David Kerr
Florida Department of Juvenile Justice

Barry Krischer
State Attorney



2004 Accomplishments

- Educated local legislators on the potential effect of HB155 with regards to Firearm Records on law enforcement. The bill was substantially amended in favor of law enforcement
- **Corresponded with the State Legislators on eight (8) pieces of proposed legislation advising them on the effects on the criminal justice system and the position of the Criminal Justice Commission:**
 1. Firearm Records
 2. Teen Court
 3. Drug Court
 4. Municipal Ordinance Fees
 5. Habitual Misdemeanor Offenders
 6. Electronic Monitoring/Pretrial
 7. Cost shift from State to County for Juvenile Pre-Trial Detention
 8. Relating to Possession/firearms/Felon/Delinquent
- **Adopted Resolutions on the following:**
 - Adequately Funding Florida Court's System
 - Securely Supervising Defendants
 - Funding Florida Teen Courts



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Truancy Interdiction Program

Purpose

To coordinate the five Truancy Interdiction Program Centers to foster: consistency in operation of all TIP Centers; the development of resources to meet the needs of the truants and their families; the cooperation and collaboration between law enforcement agencies, the school system, other community agencies; and to ensure the major goals of the program are promoted

2004 Accomplishments

- Garnered support for and received a grant from the Department of Juvenile Justice to provide case managers at three TIP centers; which will provide services to 200 truants and their families in the 04/05 school year
- Provided case management services to 52 children in the 03/04 school year



- Facilitated the utilization of the same database by all five TIP Centers enabling the data to be collated and analyzed more efficiently and consistently
- 2,434 truants were processed through the TIP Centers in the 03/04 school year, all programs showed an increase, the most significant increase in the Belle Glade Center
- 23 law enforcement agencies utilized the TIP Centers, involving students from 115 different schools
- Training for law enforcement has been developed
- Organized monthly meetings for staff from all five TIP Centers to exchange information and develop strategies to improve the program



Major Program Goals

- Reduce crime through reduction of truancy
- Place the truants back in an educational environment
- Assess the needs of the truant and their families and arrange services to meet the needs
- Reduce truancy, disciplinary referrals, and recidivism in the Juvenile Justice system through case management and other services



- Unified data system implemented countywide



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Weed and Seed Steering Committee



Chairman, Andrew Lourie

Purpose

To mobilize resources, foster relationships, influence policies, practices, and outcomes, and promote Weed and Seed for the youth, families and communities of Palm Beach County

Members

Dale Armstrong,
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives
Edward Bieluch, Palm Beach County Sheriff
Delsa Bush, West Palm Beach Police
Pat Cannan, Workforce Development Board
Gary Carroll, West Palm Beach Police
Pastor Lionel Cook, Sutton Chapel
L. Diana Cunningham, Criminal Justice Commission
Frank Davelli, Drug Enforcement Administration
Albert Dowdell, Belle Glade Police
Mike Driscoll, Florida Dept. of Law Enforcement
John Green, Riviera Beach Community Development
Commissioner Addie L. Greene,
Palm Beach County
Michael Greene, Health Care District
Remar Harvin, PBC Housing
& Community Development
Carey Haughwout, Public Defender
Annetta Jenkins, LISCS
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Barry Krischer, State Attorney
Jennifer Loyless, Public Defender's Office
Faith Martin, Community Court
James Martz, State Attorney's Office
Atrnie Moore-Williams, Glades Community
Development Corporation
Robert Musco, Delray Beach Police
Ethel Reid, Resident
Ed Rich, Palm Beach County Community Services
Bill Sanders, Resident
Larry Schroeder, Delray Beach Police
Scott Scrivner, PBC Police Athletic League
Denise Smith, Resident
Luvenia Washington, Resident
Clarence Williams, Riviera Beach Police Dept.

2004 Accomplishments

- Supported four Neighborhood Steering Committees in the development, implementation, and evaluation of each site's strategy — representing 136 residents/members and 13,668 hours
- Sponsored the PBC 7-day Drug Education For Youth (DEFY) camp, graduating 60 youth representing the three senior sites
- Supported four full time site coordinators
- Used local Weed and Seed sites as a platform to promote Project Safe Neighborhood, the President's #1 strategy to reduce gun crime
- Obtained local funding and support to start up in Belle Glade, while seeking sustainability funding for the three senior sites



Delray, Riviera, & West Palm Beach Sites

- Supported 1,702 drug arrests, a 22% increase
- 99.5% of the 1,106 youth participating in Safe Haven programs remained crime-free
- 94% of youth in a Weed and Seed after school/tutorial program improved at least one reading grade level
- Three Community Prosecutors filed 136 cases with an average sentence of 47 months; 66 cases were adopted federally
- Rehabilitated 46 homes and granted 22 first-time home buyer loans



LAW ENFORCEMENT



Chairman, Chief Larry Schroeder

Law Enforcement Planning Council

Purpose

To improve coordination and cooperation among law enforcement agencies as well as other criminal justice entities; to research and evaluate national trends in law enforcement issues for local implementation

2004 Accomplishments

Countywide law enforcement training facility

- Through the Board of County Commissioners, Criminal Justice Commission and Palm Beach County Facilities Management Department, obtained a site at the 20-mile bend for a new facility

Countywide Pursuit Policy

- Adopted recommendations for the agencies to utilize in the formulation of their own vehicle Pursuit Policy.

Hurricane Aftermath Review

- Conducted a Hurricane Aftermath Work Group which issued a detailed report regarding problems and best practices in responding to the 2004 hurricanes.

Countywide Crime Gun Tracing Policy

- A Memorandum of Understanding was adopted by LEPC to ensure that all agencies will submit any recovered crime gun to the PBSO for their submission into the NIBIN (National Integrated Ballistic Identification Network) System.

Recruitment/Retention of Law Enforcement Officers

- Conducted quarterly surveys of law enforcement agencies' vacancies

New Chief Transition Committee

- Formed a "New Chief Transition Committee" to assist new chiefs with acclimating to their new post. A Chief's Resource Manual was prepared by the committee for the chiefs' use.



Members

Vice Chair, Chief H. C. (Skip) Clark, II,
Juno Beach
Chief Robert Mangold, *Atlantis*
Chief Albert Dowdell, *Belle Glade*
Chief Andrew Scott, *Boca Raton*
Chief Marshall Gage, *Boynton Beach*
Chief Dolores Danser, *Florida Atlantic University*
Chief Greg Smith, *Greenacres*
Chief Garrett Ward, *Gulf Stream*
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Highland Beach
Chief Richard J. Westgate, *Jupiter*
Chief Joseph Benevento, *Jupiter Inlet Colony*
Chief Wes Smith, *Lake Clarke Shores*
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Chief Rick Lincoln, *Lantana*
Chief Clay Walker, *Manalapan*
Chief Rodney Thomas, *Mangonia Park*
Chief Earl Johnson, *North Palm Beach*
Chief Edward G. Hillery, *Ocean Ridge*
Chief Rafael Duran, *Pahokee*
Chief Stephen Stepp, *Palm Beach Gardens*
Chief Michael S. Reiter, *Palm Beach Sheriff Edward Bieluch, Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office*
Chief Roger Willie, *Palm Beach Shores*
Chief Jay Pickens, *Palm Springs*
Chief Clarence Williams III, *Riviera Beach*
Chief Ed Stepnowski, *Royal Palm Beach*
Chief James Kelly, *School District*
Acting Chief Michael Morris, *South Bay*
Chief Roger Crane, *South Palm Beach*
Chief Stephen Allison, *Tequesta*
Chief Delsa Bush, *West Palm Beach*



LAW ENFORCEMENT

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Domestic Security

Chairman, Chief Michael Reiter



Purpose

To develop a coordinated strategy for use by Palm Beach County local law enforcement from federal, state, and local levels to prevent and mitigate terrorism and to increase terrorism-related intelligence sharing among these agencies

Members

Michael Driscoll
Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Rick Lincoln
Lantana Police Department

Jeff Favitta
Federal Bureau of Investigations

Miguel Guzman
Florida Highway Patrol

John Rondone
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office

Tony Ross
State Attorney's Office

Andrew Scott
Boca Raton Police Department

Bill Testa
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office

Clay Walker
Manalapan Police Department



2004 Accomplishments

- Coordinated and hosted Expanding the Counter-Terrorism Intelligence Base Among the Middle Eastern and Muslim Community in Palm Beach County. Speakers discussed ways to increase intelligence gathering with 34 law enforcement personnel representing 20 agencies.
- Formed a 2004 Presidential Election Security Task Force to develop a strategy and plan for local security during the 2004 Presidential elections.
- Updated and distributed a 2004 Anti-Terrorism Resource Inventory to all local law enforcement agencies.
- Thirty-four agencies participated in a Communications Interoperability Drill to utilize existing mutual aid communications resources and discover the capabilities of agencies to establish electronic voice communications at a location within Palm Beach County.
- Initiated weekly communications tests of the Public Safety Answering Point's (PSAP) equipment and procedures.
- Held a training session for 30 participants on using the Emergency Deployable Interoperable Communications System (EDICS) and Mutual Aid Communications (MAC) units for law enforcement personnel and technicians.
- Supported Region 7 information sharing initiative with letters of support from the Committee.
- Coordinated information sharing among local law enforcement.





Chairman, Chief H.C. "Skip" Clark, II

Visual Planning Technologies

Purpose

To create a countywide criminal justice data sharing network which will facilitate the sharing of criminal justice information at all levels of law enforcement (local, state, federal). The long-term goal of the project is to increase the efficiency of law enforcement.

2004 Accomplishments

- SEARCH, the National Consortium for Justice Information and Statistics, conducted a 3-day site visit and issued a Technical Assistance Report with comments and recommendations.
- Project staff assisted the Sheriff's Office, Department of Corrections, and the School District police to improve the tracking of sexual predators.
- Workgroup sessions with representatives from 12 law enforcement agencies are identifying the specific needs of road patrol and investigative users.
- Staff has maintained liaison with other data sharing projects in Florida, as well as various Homeland Security entities.
- The Board of County Commissioners funded the JIS VPT pilot project in the amount of \$499,900.
- The implementation of the pilot project to link six agencies began in December and is projected to be fully operational by mid-2005.



Steering Committee Members

- Robin Ackerman, *Atlantis*
- Dale Armstrong, *ATF*
- Joe Benevento, *Jupiter Inlet Colony*
- Ernie Carr, *Palm Beach Gardens*
- Rodger Crane, *South Palm Beach*
- Bob Daniels, *Boca Raton*
- Rafael Duran, *Pahokee*
- Jeff Favitta, *FBI*
- Lisa Flannagan, *Medical Examiner*
- Bruce Frumoff, *PBC Sheriff's Office*
- Danny Jones, *Riviera Beach*
- Charles Orlando, *Greenacres*
- Brett Patterson, *West Palm Beach*
- David Pervenecki, *Royal Palm Beach*
- Robert Purser, *FHP*
- Valerie Rolle, *Department of Corrections*
- Tony Ross, *State Attorney's Office*
- Andy Rundle, *Lantana*
- Gary Sallenbach, *Palm Beach*
- Richard Schuler, *Fire Marshall's Office*
- Debbie Simpson, *School District*
- Ed Smith, *Delray Beach*
- Charles Stevens, *Lake Worth*
- Clay Walker, *Manalapan*
- Richard Westgate, *Jupiter*
- Robert Wheelihan, *Belle Glade*



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Municipal Public Safety Communications Consortium



Chairman, Chief Robert Mangold

Purpose

To provide a countywide interoperable radio network for all the municipal law enforcement agencies of Palm Beach County

Members

Boynton Beach
Wilfred Hawkins

Greenacres
Wadie Atallah

Juno Beach
Chief H. C. (Skip) Clark, II
Secretary

Jupiter
Chief Richard Westgate

Lantana
Captain Andy Rundle

Lake Worth
William Smith, *Treasurer*

North Palm Beach
Earl Johnson

Palm Beach
Chief Michael Reiter

Palm Beach Gardens
Commander Ernie Carr

West Palm Beach
Michael Cambisios

2004 Status and Accomplishments

- The Municipal Public Safety Communications Consortium (MPSCC) now has 11 member municipalities.
- The radio system will be implemented in two phases. The Cities of West Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens and Palm Beach will be in phase one.
 - Financing negotiations for phase one have been ongoing. The final agreement necessary for the financing is now being reviewed by the city attorneys for the phase one cities.
 - The MPSCC is preparing for final contract negotiations to begin with MACOM as soon as a financing plan is approved.
- Work on the system is expected to begin in mid-2005 and the system is anticipated to be operational countywide in 2006.



George Elmore
CJC Liaison



COURTS



Chairman, Jack Goldberger

Court System Task Force

Purpose

To identify methods that improve the efficiency of the court process; and to provide oversight for the Community Court, Drug Court and the Ex-Offender Reentry Programs

2004 Accomplishments

CJC Priority Issue One

- A yearlong investigation and report was finished by the task force to address CJC priority One: The impact of additional law enforcement officers on the criminal justice system. Recommendations include:
 - ⇒ Educate the Legislature about the need to adequately fund criminal justice agencies
 - ⇒ Inform the BCC and the League of Cities about the problem
 - ⇒ Continue to investigate options to traditional case processing, such as treatment courts, bar review, criminal mediation and day reporting centers

Criminal Mediation

- Continued study of the potential for criminal mediation in Palm Beach County, 15th Judicial Circuit



Other Activities:

- Asked the legislature for approval of new judges

Members

- Ted Booras
State Attorney's Office
- Honorable Jonathan Gerber
County Court Judge
- Cherry Grant
Public Defender's Office
- Karen Heidtman
Office of the Clerk of the Court
- Captain Chris Kneisley
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office
- Honorable Debra Moses Stephens
County Court Judge
- Honorable Richard L. Oftedal
Circuit Court Judge
- Captain Alan Ortman
West Palm Beach Police Department

In contrast to the steady increase in arrests (filings), jail population and law enforcement officers, the court system has had **NO** increases.

| | <u>2001</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Filings | 74,382 | 77,139 | 80,414 |
| Circuit Criminal Judges | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| County Criminal Judges | 10 | 10 | 10 |
| DOC Probation Officers | 112 | 105 | 106 |
| Clerk of Court's criminal | 218 | 218 | 218 |
| State Attorney's Office | 103 | 98 | 103 |
| Public Defender's Office | 187 | 187 | 187 |
| Supervised OR caseworkers | 6 | 6 | 6 |

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Corrections Task Force/ Public Safety Coordinating Council

Chairman, Douglas Duncan



Purpose

To assess the population status of all correctional facilities and formulate recommendations that ensure the capacities of such facilities are not exceeded. These recommendations include assessments of the availability of pretrial intervention or probation, work-release, substance abuse programs, gain-time schedules, bail bond schedules, and the confinement status of the inmates housed within each facility.

Members

Honorable Nelson E. Bailey,
15th Judicial Circuit

Ted Booras, *State Attorney's Office*

Robert Bozzone,
*Comprehensive Alcoholism Rehabilitation
Program*

Honorable Jack Cook, *15th Judicial Circuit*

Karen Fagan, *Assistant Public Defender*

Brian Harper, *PRIDE Integrated Services*

Ken Montgomery, *Workforce Alliance*

Commissioner Warren Newell,
PBC Board of County Commissioners

Colonel George Ottmer,
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office

Valerie Rolle, *Department of Corrections*

Karen Heidtman, *Clerk of Courts Office*

Alton Taylor,
Drug Abuse Foundation of PBC

Charlie Trotta,
PBC Pretrial Services Agency

2004 Accomplishments

- Collaborated with the PBC Sheriff's Office to provide free local phone access for new arrestees in the intake area of the jail
- Continued study of Day Reporting and Bail Review feasibility for Palm Beach County



- Working with the PBC Sheriff's Office to provide videoconferencing capabilities for inmates and attorneys
- Provided the 40-hour Crisis Intervention Team Training to over 138 law enforcement officers and to 23 dispatchers to enable them to more effectively deal with mentally ill offenders
- Continued work with Jail Counselor Barry Fondiller to reduce transportation delays to other state facilities
- Advocated on behalf of the CTF/PSCC on pending legislation that may impact jail population locally
- Monitor jail population to make maximum use of jail bed space



CORRECTIONS



Chairman, Hon. William Bollinger

Probation Advisory Board

Purpose

To monitor the County professional services contract with Pride Integrated Services, Inc. for the delivery of misdemeanor probation services to the 15th Judicial Circuit

2004 Accomplishments

- Audited 384 random terminated probation case files (7.8%)
- Found Pride in compliance with all contractual obligation for Palm Beach County
- Continued review of violation of probation rates and causes
- Reviewed Pride caseloads, client success and contract compliance on a quarterly basis

Members

Ted Booras
State Attorney's Office

Steven A. Cohen
Private Defense Attorney

Justine Patterson
Florida Department of Corrections

Virginia Cataldo
U.S. Probation

John Rivera
Assistant Public Defender

Valerie Rolle
Florida Department of Corrections

Karen Heidtman
Office of the Clerk of the Court

TYPICAL PROFILE - MISDEMEANOR OFFENDER ON PROBATION

Male
Caucasian
Age 18-25
Single
Less Than 12th Grade Education
No Prior Convictions
Employed
Drugs/Alcohol Involved

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Of
Pride Misdemeanor Probation Services



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Ex-Offender Reentry Initiative



Chairman, Douglas Duncan

Purpose

To reduce crime and thus reduce recidivism rates by assisting offenders in successfully reintegrating back into society at the end of their incarceration

Members

Grace Diez Arguelles,
State Attorney's Office DOVE Unit
Sharon Bock,
Office of the Clerk of the Court
Katherine Burns,
Department of Corrections
Georgiana Devine,
PBC Community Services Department
Nancy Dixon, PBC Victim Services
Edward Fine,
Chief Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit
Articia Futch,
Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office
Donna Harris, 45th Street Mental Health
Carey Haughwout,
Public Defender, 15th Judicial Circuit
Karen Heidtman, Clerk of Courts Office
Michele Jacobs, C.A.R.P.
Jennifer Loyless, Public Defender's Office
Pam Middleton,
Drug Abuse Treatment Association
Allan Ortman,
West Palm Beach Police Department
Valerie Rolle,
Florida Department of Corrections
Chuck Shaw, PBC County School District
Darlene Silvernail,
Forest Hill Counseling Center
Jose Sosa,
Housing & Community Development
Joe Speicher, South County Mental Health
Alton Taylor,
Drug Abuse Foundation of PBC, Inc.
Priscilla Taylor,
P. Taylor Insurance Associates
Charlie Trotta, Court Administration

2004 Accomplishments

- Heard from successful graduate Mr. Robertino Jones about his experience with Project R.E.A.P. Success (Rebuilding, Empowering, Achieving, Prospering)
- Served a caseload of over 400 individuals
- Thru August of 2004 have received 166 new applicants in the jail
- Staff from Project R.E.A.P. presented at the Second Annual Institute for the Alliance for Human Services in Miami, FL
- Thru August of 2004 have had 30 new job hires of clients
- Maintained a 2% re-arrest rate



2005 ANNUAL MEETING



*Chairman-Elect Leo E. Noble
Chair Wendy Sartory Link*

CJC'S PRIORITIES FOR 2005

Purpose

To determine the Criminal Justice Commission's priority issues and programs for the upcoming year

Criminal Justice Commission members met on November 15, 2004 to discuss the Commission's accomplishments of 2004 and to determine those current and/or emerging issues to be designated as the CJC's priorities for 2005. In addition to the CJC's many ongoing programs, members decided to focus on

YOUTH VIOLENCE

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM FUNDING
IMBALANCE**

**EXPANSION INTO COUNTYWIDE
COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION TEAM
(CCRT) AREAS**

PUBLIC RELATIONS



*State Attorney Barry Krischer
Gerald Richman*



*Max Davis
Chief Judge Edward Fine*



*Rosalyn Baker, DOC
Jeff Favitta, FBI*

