

**PALM BEACH COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION
LAW ENFORCEMENT PLANNING COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Thursday, April 27, 2023 – 9:30 a.m.

Palm Springs Village Hall
226 Cypress Lane
Palm Springs, FL

Members Present

Chief Richard Jones, Ocean Ridge Public Safety Department-Chair
Chief Michele Miuccio, Boca Raton Police Department- Vice Chair
Chief Robert Mangold, Atlantis Police Department
Chief Sean Brammer, Florida Atlantic University Police Department (Represented by Hal Hutchins)
Chief Sean Scheller, Lantana Police Department (Represented by Paul Mitchell)
Chief Nicholas Caristo, Palm Beach Police Department (Represented by Agent Stanley)
Interim Chief Scott McClure (Represented by Eric Jones)
Lt. Anthony Mozealous, Bureau of Insurance Fraud (Represented by Captain Frank Brigante)
Chief Wes Smith, Lake Clarke Shores Police Department
Bill Fraser, Chief Investigator, State Attorney's Office 15th Judicial Circuit
Sheldon Burkett, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Drug Enforcement Administration
Brian Deer, Resident Agent in Charge, U.S. Secret Service
Chief Sarah Mooney, PBC School District Police Department
Chief Russ Mager, Delray Beach Police Department
Chief Michael Coleman, Riviera Beach Police Department
Eric Chan, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Members Absent

Chief Gus Medina, Tequesta Police Department
Chief Richard Jenkins, North Palm Beach Police Department
Chief Joe DeGiulio, Boynton Beach Police Department
Chief Ed Allen, Gulf Stream Police Department
Chief Carmen Mattox, Manalapan Police Department
Chief Craig Hartmann, Highland Beach Police Department
Chief Brian Smith, Juno Beach Police Department
Chief David England, Jupiter Police Department
Chief John Pruitt, Jupiter Inlet Colony Police Department
Honorable Sheriff Ric Bradshaw, PBC Sheriff's Office
Major Robert Chandler, Florida Highway Patrol
Chief Clint Shannon, Palm Beach Gardens Police Department
Chief Frank Adderley, West Palm Beach Police Department
Troy Walker, Special Agent in Charge, Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Eric Jester, Resident Agent in Charge, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Major Dustin Bonds, Florida Fish & Wildlife Commission
Major Robert Chandler, Troop L Commander, Florida Highway Patrol
Christopher Caldwell, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Chief Thomas A. Ceccarelli, Palm Springs Public Safety
Assistant Chief Deputy Dan Torchia, U.S. Marshals Service
Pete Garcia, Federal Security Director, Transportation Security Administration
Angel Belen, Patrol Agent in Charge, U.S. Border Patrol
Chief Robert Crawford, VA Health Administration
Mike Barbercheck, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,
Firearms & Explosives
Captain Carolyn Fanale, Florida Division of Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco

Advisory Members Present

Dr. Catherine Miller, Palm Beach County Chief Medical Examiner (Represented by Paul Petrino, Manager of Medical Examiner Operations)
Honorable Dave Aronberg, State Attorney, 15th Judicial Circuit
Shawn Fagan, CJSTC Field Services Specialist, Florida Department of Law Enforcement
Michelle Johns, Circuit Administrator, Florida Department of Corrections (Represented by Deputy Chief Derek Gibson)
Gregory Starling, Chief Probation Officer, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice
Jonathan Bridges, Chief Assistant, Attorney General's Office of Statewide Prosecution (Represented by Cynthia Irvin)

Advisory Members Absent

Vincent Morton, Director, Criminal Justice Institute of Palm Beach State College
Anthony LaCosta, Managing Assistant United States Attorney
Adam McMichael, Chief: Narcotics and Violent Crimes, United States Attorney's Office
Mark Osborne, Chief: Financial Crimes, US Attorney's Office

Guests

Craig Williams, Chief Assistant State Attorney, 15th Judicial Circuit State Attorney's Office
Zaneshia Caple, GGI Lewis Center Annex
Daniel Ramos, PBC CSD
Daniel Svec, Court Administration
Marc Hopin, Alpert Jewish Family Service
Cindy Wides Public Safety Coordinator and Director of Mental Health First Aid
Latronda Hayes, Public Safety PBC
Angelique Pickett, Intelligence-Led Policing Manager, Boca Raton Police Department
Captain Randy Foley, Chair, PBC School & Community Safety Committee and Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office
Daniel Villacci, Department of Children and Families
Captain Pete Behr, Village of Palm Springs Police Department
Louis Tomeo, Director - Court Operations, Criminal Court Services
Captain John Crane-Baker, Delray Beach Police Department
Assistant Chief Patrick McCutcheon, PBC School Police Department
Tom Mitchell, Lantana Police Department

Dana Fisher, Lake Clarke Shores Police Department
Major John Scanlan, Palm Beach Police Department
Aaron Choban, Ocean Ridge Police Department
Assistant Chief Darrell Hunter, Delray Beach Police Department
Major Spencer Rozier, Riviera Beach Police Department
Scott Penney, Chief Investigator of the Public Defender's Office
Daniel Navas, Lantana Police Department
Chief Assistant State Attorney Alan Johnson, 15th Judicial Circuit State Attorney's Office

CJC Staff Present

Regenia Herring, Executive Director
Katherine Shover, Manager of Criminal Justice Systems
Dawn Caveness-Davenport, Senior Criminal Justice Analyst

- I. **Welcome and Opening Comments** by *Chief Richard Jones, Chair*
- II. **Roll Call** by *Chief Michele Miuccio, Vice-chair*
- III. **Approval and/or Additions to the Agenda and No Minutes due to Closed Door meeting.**
- IV. **Presentation**
 - A. **Continuum of Care (CoC) Coordinated Entry System for homeless services in PBC** Daniel Ramos, Senior Program Manager for Palm Beach County (PBC) Division of Community Services (CSD) presented to the group and provided an overview of the Continuum of Care (COC) coordinated entry system for homeless services in PBC. He explained how essential street outreach services are to the coordinated entry system. He provided the definition and clarity of what is considered homeless. Mr. Ramos also explained that the main component for their encounters with clients is both in person and through their call center. The number to the call center is 1-833-CSD-WILL. He explained that the call center's purpose is to assist with homelessness and prevent homelessness with services such as rent and utility assistance. The CSD also has an Oscar system set up so folks in the community can apply for rental and utility assistance online. This system allows applicants to create a profile, upload documents, and get approved for services without having to visit the office. Mr. Ramos provided a map of the process of getting assistance for homeless individuals and prevention services by first calling the call center. After selecting a language, the call will be streamlined to ensure the potential client is linked to the necessary resources. He mentioned that seven out of the ten calls received were homeless prevention calls. He also talked about the Lewis Center and the new shelter called the Annex that is being built in the community and in Lake Worth that should have them out of the fairgrounds by the end of the summer or end of the year.
 - B. **72 hours beds held for Law Enforcement at the Lewis Center/Annex**-Zaneshia D.Caple Program Director of The Senator Philip D. Lewis Annex provided an overview of services. They currently have two beds dedicated for law enforcement calls for individuals with mental health and substance abuse disorders. The beds are

available for 48 hours but are only temporary. When an individual is brought to the Lewis Center, they try to identify whether there are friends or families in the US that they could possibly stay with. Once identified, they connect with family/friends, which is part of the diversion process in PBC. However, due to the low number of available beds, most individuals often return to the streets after leaving the center. In addition, due to a lack of resources, they are not able to take anyone in an acute crisis. Therefore, if an individual comes in with a mental health issue, they will try their best to get them connected to available services. They currently have transition beds available for law enforcement at the Ward Center on 45th Center and the Western shelter. If transitional beds are needed, contact the directors and inquire if they are available. Mrs. Caple provided her office number, 561-904-2432, to contact her if a transitional bed is needed.

C. Mental Health First Aid for Public Safety- *Maxine Sonnenschein, Development Officer, and Government Affairs, and Marc Hopin, CEO of Fred & Gladys Alpert Jewish Family Service of Palm Beach County* – provided information about the purpose of the Mental Health First Aid for Public Safety training. It is a research-based training intended to build skills on how to approach someone with a mental health disorder. She mentioned that successful engagement involves 80% Mental Health first aid training and the other 20% in CIT for law enforcement. Maxine Sonnenschein mentioned that the State attorney’s office already has 2 people in training. The Mental Health first aid training is at no cost and provides skills on real prevention. Anyone interested in more information about Mental Health First Aid training may visit the International Association of Chiefs of Police and One Mind campaign. Resource: <https://www.theiacp.org/projects/one-mind-campaign>

D. Gathering of Statistics-*Chief Richard Jones, Chair* – discussed the current data gathering, which is based on race-related statistics. They hope to expand it beyond race to include other categories such as education, income, and geography. If anyone has additional categories they would like to see included, follow up or reach out to the Chair of LEPC.

V. New Business

- A.** The next liaison for DV Coordinated Community Response Team is still undetermined.
- B.** The members congratulated Chief Michael Coleman on being appointed as the new Chief of the Riviera Beach Police Department.
- C.** The new Medical Examiner for Palm Beach County is Dr. Catherine Miller.

VI. Liaison Updates

- A. Sexual Assault Response Team:** *Chief Michele Miuccio* provided an update to the sexual assault tracking kit system, as it just went live. She advised that the evidence folks have gone through the training so they are able to track. The victims are able to track as well.
- B. Criminal Justice Institute:** *Director Vincent Morton* - was not present.
- C. Communications/Interoperability:** *Chief Robert Mangold* – There is nothing new at

this time.

D. School & Community Safety Subcommittee: *Captain Randy Foley* – provided an update on identifying gaps in mass shootings for prevention, intervention and reaction. They have been meeting once a week and have made a lot of strides in preventing mass shootings in PBC. They have also identified some huge gaps and will report on those at the next meeting.

E. State Attorney’s Office: *Honorable Dave Aronberg, State Attorney-* Provided an update on the recent bill that was passed to hold individuals accountable and/or charge them with a misdemeanor for broadcasting an image without the owner's consent. However, if a physical threat is made, they will be charged with a felony. *Craig Williams* – Presented an update with good news and bad news. Mr. Williams provided the bad news update, as there was no requirement to have a translation for the victim unless the case was going to trial in the past. However, now a translation is required whenever a request is made. If they get too much pushback on these translation requests, the SAO may go back to requiring a translator on all cases. Mr. Williams presented the good news: everyone is now on the same page with discovery. They now provide an Evidence.com link that expires after 30-90 days to those approved parties who are requesting records that are not redacted. The parties that provide the link for the records are able to track the activity with the documents being shared to ensure that only the parties intended to view the non-redacted version have access.

F. Palm Beach County Sheriff’s Office: *Chief Deputy Frank DeMario* - was not present.

G. Palm Beach County School District Police Department: *Chief Sarah Mooney* – thanked everyone who provided support for their campuses. She provided an update on Truancy Court, which has been reinstated. It will include wrap-around services to assist in getting the kids back in school. Graduations start on May 11, so there will be a lot of activity and visitors on campus. Summer school starts the second week of June. There will be 120 campuses that will have activities. She expressed her appreciation for the extra patrol that will be on their campuses during this time.

H. Recruitment and Retention: *Chief Brian Smith* – was not present

I. State and Federal Updates – no updates at this time.

VII. There were no Member Comments at this time

VIII. The following attachments are included in the meeting packets

A. SART and DV CCR Update

B. Staffing Survey

C. Homeless Service Presentation Package

IX. Next Meeting: August 24, 2023, 9:30 AM at Palm Springs Village Hall

X. Meeting Adjourned