

Coconino County CJCC Technical Assistance Project

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Background of the Coconino County CJCC

- Established in 2005
- Brings together local stakeholders to collaborate on improving the criminal justice system
 - *Mission Statement: to promote the safety of the citizens of Coconino County, the efficient and just treatment of justice involved individuals, the protection and healing of victims, and to work toward the prevention of crime and the reduction of recidivism*
- Chair: Hon. Judge D. Slayton
- Vice-Chair: Hon. Judge T. Chotena

The Justice Management Institute



- Non-profit organization founded in 1995; based in Arlington, VA
- Specializes in research, education and technical assistance for criminal justice systems
- Completed more than 400 justice projects
- Founder of the National Network of Criminal Justice Coordinating Councils (NNCJCC)

Project Goal

For Coconino County to operate a high-functioning Criminal Justice Coordinating Council that fully utilizes best practices and produces beneficial outcomes for the justice system and county residents

Project Objectives

1. Assess and revise, with input of council members, the purpose and structure of the CJCC to ensure it aligns with best practices;
2. Identify shared priorities among CJCC members and produce a strategic plan with specific actions that the council will pursue over the next two years;
3. Coordinate the day-to-day operations of the CJCC and implementation of the strategic plan until new support staff is hired by the county; and
4. Assist the county in seeking and selecting a highly qualified applicant to serve as support staff for the CJCC.

Project Components

1. CJCC assessment
2. Strategic plan
3. Staff development
4. Short-term CJCC support

Estimated Project Timeline: 10 months

CJCC Assessment

Essential Elements Assessment Summary

<i>Element</i>	<i>Survey</i>	<i>Compliance</i>	<i>Factors Not Fully Present</i>
System-focused	6	🟢	Crisis management, interagency collaboration
Participation	6	🟢	Full participation, manageable roster
Leadership Structure	4	🟡	Designated vice-chair, keeping CJCC on track
Executive Committee	5	🔴	Guiding council and leadership, monitoring progress
Decision Making	6	🟢	Inclusion of underrepresented communities
Shared Responsibility	6	🟢	Sharing internal agency decisions, updating public
Data Driven	5	🟡	Producing and monitoring system data
Best Practices	6	🟢	Ensuring race and ethnicity equity
Structured Meetings	9	🟡	Subcommittee meetings, bylaws
Strategic Planning	5	🟢	Updating plan, tracking outcomes, sustainability
Subcommittees and Workgroups	5	🔴	Worked assigned to subcommittees & workgrps.
Support Staff	-	TBD	(Under development)

CJCC
Recommendations
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- 1) Focus on producing meaningful outcomes
- 2) Reduce the full CJCC membership to a manageable size
- 3) Re-configure the executive committee
- 4) Alternate meetings of the full CJCC and executive committee
- 5) Utilize subcommittees and workgroups more effectively
- 6) Form a standing committee specifically for the Native community

Recommendations #7-13

- 7) Establish a formal process for selecting a vice chairperson
- 8) Update the CJCC bylaws
- 9) Update and revise the strategic plan and implement the plan
- 10) Produce and monitor system data
- 11) Create a criminal justice director position funded by the county and city
- 12) Institute racial and ethnic impact statements
- 13) Keep the CJCC website updated

Recent Activities

CJCC Activities

1. Revised bylaws through workgroup
2. Identified subcommittees for the CJCC
3. Formed virtual hearings workgroup
4. Began work on a new strategic planning retreat
5. Will begin seeking a new coordinator

Questions and Comments

