

September 24, 2021

Alternate Response Town Hall



Welcome

Mayor Paul Deasy

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- We appreciate your taking the time to join us today
- The City would like to express appreciation for service providers and the great value their agencies add to the community
- We are hosting this Town Hall to share the City's progress on an Alternate Response Model and discuss next steps with a care center
- We are here to answer questions and listen to your feedback on what's important to accomplish with a care center and how a care center fits in with existing services

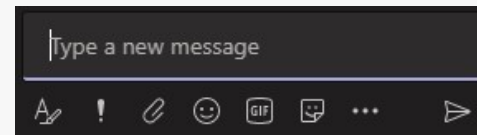
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- If you are attending virtually, please type a C for comment or Q for question in chat or raise your hand to share during the Town Hall today
 - Top right of the screen



- Type in text box and use arrow to send



- If in the audience, raise your hand and we will bring a microphone for you to speak, so all can hear

Where did the thought of an Alternate Response Program begin?

Chief Dan Musselman

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- ICF identified need in ICF/City Forum on homelessness, housing and wellness
- Criminal Justice Coordinating Council - 2019
 - Diversion Programs
 - Jail Diversion Program in Florida
- Presentations to City Council on Police Operations - 2020
 - Alternate Response Models

Purpose of an Alternate Response Model

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- Provide culturally sensitive care
- Engage those in need with the most appropriate service
- Keep individuals safe
- Diversion from emergency room and criminal justice system
- COVID has impacted the demand for services

Alcohol and Behavioral Health Related Calls

2019

- FPD 2,491 mental health related calls
- FPD 2,828 lowest priority alcohol related calls
- FPD spent 480 hours at hospital with 346 arrestees mostly due to substance use
- FFD 2,618 public intoxicant (man down responses)
- FFD 383 behavioral health type responses

2020

- FPD 2,896 mental health related calls
- FPD 3,318 lowest priority alcohol related calls
- FPD spent 649 hours at hospital with 1,021 arrestees mostly due to substance use
- FFD 2,438 public intoxicant (man down responses)
- FFD 426 behavioral health type responses

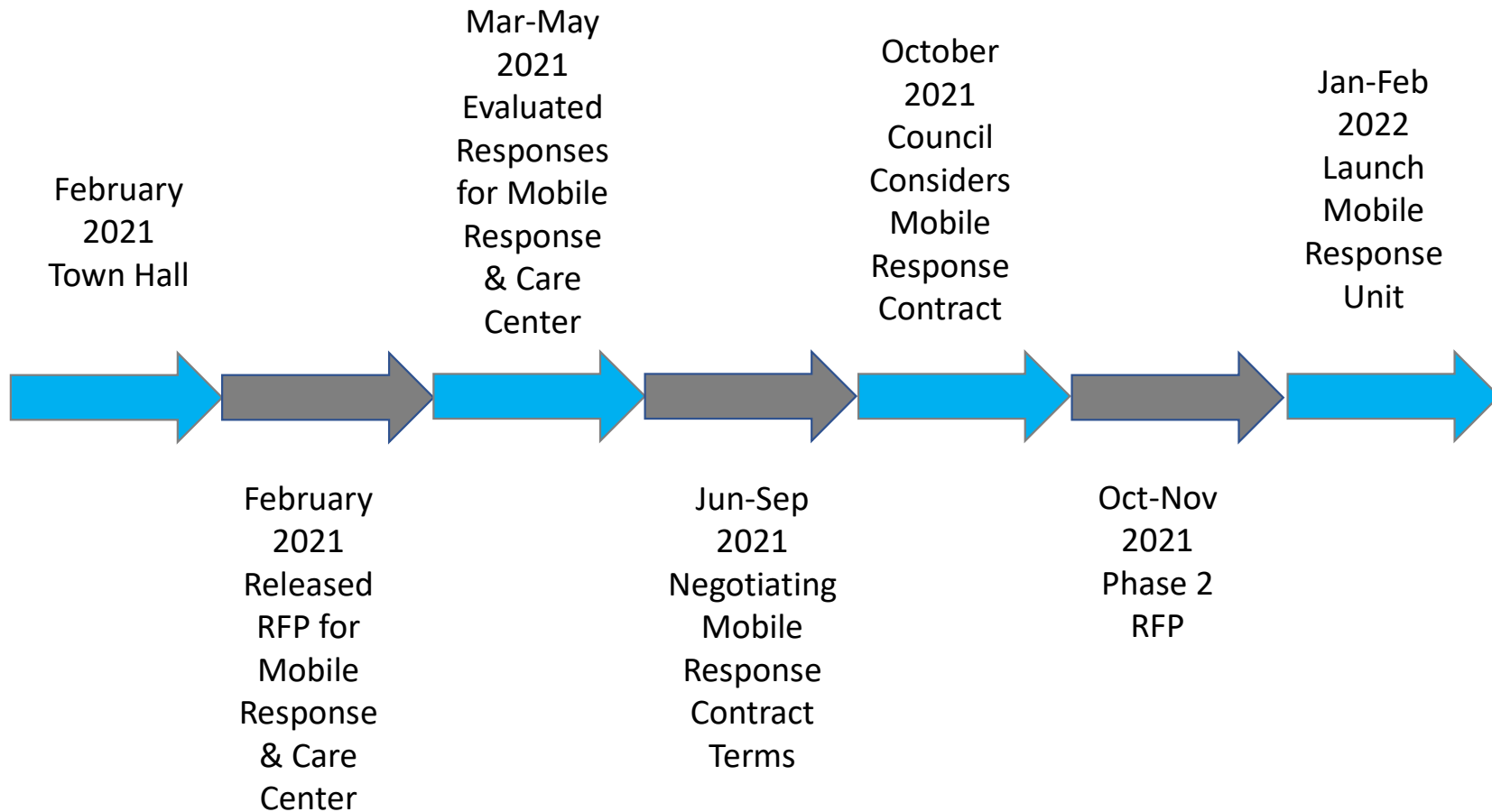
What models influenced the idea of an Alternate Response Model?

Shannon Anderson

- Friendship House
- Native American Connections
- CAHOOTS/White Bird Clinic

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Where are we now in 2021?



Where are we going?

- Phase 1
 - Open temporary facility
 - Complete RARE Assessment in partnership with NACA
 - Launch mobile response unit
 - Release Phase 2 RFP
- Phase 2
 - Identify additional capacity needs or gaps
 - Release Phase 3 RFP
- Phase 3
 - Open a care center to provide full scope of services

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Why consider an Alternate Response Model?

Chief Mark Gaillard

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- Build on community trust by providing a better public safety response
- Benefits citizens and those who may be vulnerable
- Emergency responders need more options to take people for appropriate services
- Tie behavioral health best practices with non-traditional medicine

Alternate Response Care Center

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- Location for gathering
- Food service
- Shower & Washroom areas
- Crisis stabilization
- Outpatient services
- Support services
- Substance use and behavioral health treatment
- Connection to services
 - Housing
 - Job assistance
 - Long-term care

Discussion

*Vice Mayor Becky Daggett
Councilmember Adam Shimoni*

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- Are these the best models for Flagstaff?
- What other important services are needed that may have been missed?
- Where may there be a duplication of services?
- Best ways to coordinate adding capacity to serve the community?

Thank you

Thank you for your participation today

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