

Whatcom County Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force

November 16, 2015 Task Force Meeting Agenda
Whatcom County Courthouse, Rooms 513/514, 9:00 – 11:00am
311 Grand Avenue, Bellingham, WA

AGENDA

1. Call to order by Co Chairs
 - State for the record the meeting date, time, location, and names of committee members present and absent
2. Committee member introductions
3. Presentation from Alyson Batchelder-Bestle with Compass Health re. challenges in care transitions from the jail to the community
4. Sheriff Elfo
5. Reports from Workgroups
 - Susan Gribben: Workgroup A – Reviewing Current Practices
 - Angela Anderson: Workgroup B – Developing Goals for New/Modified Programs
 - Workgroup C – Meeting TBD
6. Ken Mann
7. Document management and e-mail communications
8. Other Business
 - RCW 10.31.110
9. Reminders:
 - Jail Tour – 11/19/2015 @ 10am, Whatcom County Jail
 - Drug Court Graduation – 11/19/2015 @ 2:30pm, Whatcom County Courthouse, third floor.
10. Adjourn

Future Meeting Topics:

King County presentation re. LEAD program in their community

Restorative Community Coalition

Jackie Mitchell with Whatcom County Human Services re. Jail Behavioral Health Program data

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Task Force Membership

Angela Anderson, Senior Deputy, Whatcom County Public Defender's Office

Jill Bernstein, Citizen Representative, Co-Chair

Jeff Brubaker, Community Paramedic, Bellingham Fire Department

Anne Deacon, Human Services Manager, Whatcom County Health Department

Bill Elfo, Whatcom County Sheriff

Dave Finet, Executive Director, Opportunity Council

Julie Finkbonner, Lummi Nation, Tribal Representative

Stephen Gockley, Board Member, Whatcom Alliance for Health Advancement (WAHA)

Susan Gribbin, Consumer Representative

Daniel Hammill, Bellingham City Council Member

Alfred Heydrich, Superior Court Commissioner, Whatcom County Superior Court

Jack Hovenier, Consumer Representative, Co-Chair

Michael Knapp, Small Cities Caucus Representative, Chief, Ferndale Police Department

Betsy Kruse, Deputy Director, North Sound Mental Health Administration

Kelli Linville, Bellingham Mayor

Byron Manering, Executive Director, Brigid Collins Family Support Center

Ken Mann, Whatcom County Councilmember

Dave McEachran, Whatcom County Prosecuting Attorney

Moonwater, Executive Director, Whatcom Dispute Resolution Center

Irene Morgan, Citizen Representative

Darlene Peterson, Bellingham Municipal Court Administrator, City of Bellingham

Chris Phillips, Community Affairs and Strategic Communication Director, PeaceHealth St. Joseph Medical Center

Tyler Schroeder, Executive Special Projects Manager, Whatcom County Executive's Office

Vacant: FQHC Representative

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PHASE I REPORT

**Due
January 10, 2016**



1. Review current practices and resources.
 - o facilities
 - o programs
 - o funding sources
2. Benchmark the County's performance against national standards
3. Develop goals for new or modified programs & projected operational objectives
4. Determine licensing requirements and program components
5. Provide general information on expenditures and sustainable revenue projections

PHASE II REPORT

**Due no later than
November 1, 2016**



As service facilities are identified in Phase I:

1. Develop facility specifications
2. Identify possible facility options (either new or existing locations)
3. Analyze and recommend 1 or 2 options with projected short and medium term costs

PHASE III REPORT

**Due no later than
March 31, 2017**



Develop specific operational plans and budgets leading to implementation of appropriate crisis intervention, triage services and incarceration prevention and reduction programs. Include:

1. Details on schedules
2. Assignment of responsibilities
3. Projected outcomes anticipated
4. Possible cost allocations between the County and the cities
5. A basic business plan for each selected initiative