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Regular Authority Meeting Friday, March 2, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. 120 South Riverside Plaza Chicago

AGENDA

- Call to Order and Roll Call
- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the December 8, 2006 Regular Meeting
- > Chairman's Remarks
- 2. Executive Director's Remarks
- 3. Budget Committee Report (Eugene E. Murphy Jr. Chair)
 - a. Report on January 24, 2007 Budget Committee Meeting
 - b. Budget Committee Meeting (1 item)
 - c. Fiscal Report
- ➤ Needs Assessment (Jessica Ashley)
- > Adjourn

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH A BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE WHOLE

December 8, 2006 120 S. Riverside Plaza, 21st Floor Chicago, Illinois

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Sorosky convened the regular meeting of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority and asked Jack Cutrone, the Authority's General Counsel, to call the roll.

In addition to the Chairman, other Authority members in attendance were:

Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Cook County Circuit Court
Phillip Cline, Superintendent Chicago Police Department
Mr. Brad Demuzio
Hon. Richard Devine, Cook County State's Attorney
Ms. Barbara Engel
Norbert Goetten, State Appellate Prosecutor
Theodore Gottfried, State Appellate Defender
Mr. John Toscas
Larry Trent, Director, Illinois State Police
Roger Walker, Director

Approval of the Minutes of the June 2, 2006 Authority Meeting

{Mr. Toscas made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 2006 with a correction to indicate accurately those Board members who were present at the meeting. Director Gottfried seconded the motion which was passed by unanimous voice vote.}

Executive Director's Remarks

Chairman Sorosky called upon Executive Director Levin to present her report.

Director Levin discussed the rebuilding process at the Authority and informed the Board that a candidate had been identified to become Associate Director or the Research and Analysis Unit. Director Levin complimented the R&A staff for their fine efforts in operating without supervisors in the R&A Unit. The Director noted that John Chojnacki had been serving as acting supervisor, but when he went on medical leave, the Director assumed that function. The Director also noted that Tracy Hahn, a former supervisor,

and Becky Block were providing supervision within the unit.

The Director highlighted some of the work done by R&A and specifically mentioned Kim Burke who had an idea to revamp the Trends & Issues, an occasional publication of the Authority.

The Director discussed some on-going Authority projects. In continuing the Authority evaluation and research efforts, the Authority is working in collaboration with DePaul University in studying re-integration of gang offenders into the community. The Auhtority continues to work on the Going-Home Program evaluation. Among Authority datasets that are being studied by outside researchers are the victim survey data, the probation outcome study, sexual abuse data and Infonet data. Other studies in progress are the nature of victimization and utilization resources, violent crimes and victim gender, the correlation between methamphetamine use and domestic violence, victim characteristics and incidence of reporting of crimes of violence to the police, an evaluation of the Safe Havens Domestic Violence program. The Safe Havens program was the result of a Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange grant and the Vioolence Against Women Act of 2000.

The Director had been hopeful of being able to present some data from the Needs Assessment Survey, but that is still being worked on, although some of the data was used in the Violence Against Women Plan which was part of the materials for the meeting. The Director hoped that a presentation of the results of the survey might be made at the next Authority Board meeting.

The Director advised that the Authority is continuing with the evaluation of the Sheridan Prison, in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Corrections and Loyola University. Other efforts include work in our CHRI Audit Center, an update of the Chicago Homicide dataset and the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study.

The Director also lauded Authority staff member Becky Block for her co-authorship of "Intimate Partner Older Women Homicide" submitted to the Women's Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect and her authorship of an article accepted for publication for the May, 2007 issue of the Journal of Women's Health and Urban Life.

Director Levin also complimented the efforts of staff members Jessica Ashley and Kim Burke on Balanced and Restorative Justice. The Authority has published seven BARJ guides for various elements of the justice community, has sponsored training workshops and provided materials for a recent Illinois State Bar Association BARJ seminar.

The Authority also is working on an assessment of prior victimization among adult female inmates of the Illinois Department of Corrections. All women entering the Department of Corrections through Dwight Correctional Center answer questions about prior victimization. A second aspect of the study will be a survey to determine whether women who had been victims accessed services. The Director noted that current data indicates that while a small percentage of female victims become offenders, a very high

percentage of female inmates had been victimized themselves.

Director Levin announced that staff member Ernst Melchior would be presenting regarding the Authority's methamphetamine database project.

The Director also stated that although the police information systems have been spun off to the Illinois Public Safety Agency Network, the Authority will continue to maintain Infonet and CLARIS, the methamphetamine database. Director Levin announced that Chris Scweda, who had been the Authority's webmaster, is heading up the revamped Information Systems Unit.

With respect to IIJIS, efforts continue of the IIJIS Summit, including those of Clerk Brown, vice-chair of the Outreach Committee and Public Defender Ed Burnett, chair of the funding committee. The IIJIS Board is expected to meet after the first of the year and be presented with some of the work on privacy policy done by Wil Nagel and Bob Boehmer.

The Director reported that the handout on Victim of Crime Act priorities is the result of three meetings of an ad hoc group of various elements of the criminal justice and victim services systems. The group was chaired by Clerk Jansen and vice-chaired by Ellen Mandeltort. The first two days of meetings dealt with the Violence Against Women Act plan and reexamined priorities and revised priorities where necessary. Under the Violence Against Women Act, Illinois was required to produce a plan in order to maintain VAWA funding. If the Board approves the two plans, the Budget Committee and staff will have guidance as to how VAWA and VOCA grant funds should be spent. The Director also noted that VAWA and VOCA funding have stayed at about the same levels while JAG, BYRNE, JAIBAG, RSAT and VOI/TIS have been cut or are ending.

Among priorities that were set or maintained were training, accountability, data collection, services. The committee also researched the original goals and objectives and revised those as necessary.

Ms. Engel spoke to emphasize that with respect to the goal of increasing salaries, none of the programs have received salary increases for a number of years.

Director Levin directed everyone's attention to the S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women Plan, compiled by staff member Maureen Brennan from notes of the meetings. Although there may be some editing of the plan, it sets out the recommendations of the ad hoc committee. The plan denotes four objectives for the next three federal fiscal years: expansion of services and the opening of satellite service provider offices in one or more counties; development and implementation of a plan to train police, prosecutors, judges, clerks, probation officers, victim service providers and health care providers; to assess and document the ways in which criminal justice practitioners respond to sexual assault and domestic violence to promote communication amongst criminal justice providers; and to enable the implementation of multidisciplinary teams including the adoption of state and national protocols.

In that context, Director Levin noted that the Authority has revised its domestic violence protocol and is in the process of sending it out for statewide comment.

{Ms. Engel made a motion to adopt the recommendations with respect to the Victims of Crime Act. The motion was seconded by Director Walker. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Ms. Engel also made a motion to adopt the Illinois multi-year S.T.O.P. Violence Against Women Plan. The motion was seconded by Mr. Toscas and passed by unanimous voice vote.}

Director Levin advised the Board that a grantee would be making a presentation at a Board meeting for the first time and that it was hoped that a grantee presentation would be a regular part of the Board's quarterly meetings.

Chairman Sorosky introduced Leslie Landis, the Director of the Mayor's Office on Domestic Violence for the City of Chicago.

Ms. Landis opened by explaining the CJIA has supported the city's Domestic Help Line for a number of years. The Help Line is an essential part of the network of service providers in the metropolitan area. The Help Line was evaluated pursuant to a grant by the National Institute of Justice in 2004 and was found to be a highly successful model for coordinating services to victims of domestic violence. The Help Line began in 1998 as a result of Authority funding and has continued with Authority grants and City of Chicago corporate funds. This toll-free, multilingual Help Line operates 24 hours per day and 365 days per year. The Help Line receives an average of 2,000 call per month.

The purpose of the Help Line is to inform victims of the options available to them and to move them and connect them with service providers, many of which, as Ms. Landis noted, are funded by the Authority. In addition to the valuable service of connecting victims with service providers, the Help Line also allows for the tracking of a great deal of statistical information. Ms. Landis explained that the Chicago Police Department is the single greatest referral source for the Help Line. The domestic violence service community, other health care workers and prosecutors also use the Help Line to link victims with other needed services.

At Ms. Engel's suggestion, Ms. Landis also explained how the Help Line links victims with service providers. The Help Line does more than just provide a number or other information to victims. The Help Line staff helps determine the individuals's needs and is able to suggest referrals. With the assistance of interpreters of 140 different languages, if needed, the Help Line places a three-party call to the service provider while the victim is still on the telephone. This has removed the frustrating experience for victims of having to call program after program in order to find a provider for the needed service. In order to accomplish this, the Help Line maintains a database of all service providers in metropolitan area.

During the evaluation process, approximately 400 victims were interviewed and they universally said that the Help Line had been useful. Even where immediate linkage to a service provider was not necessary, the interaction with the Help Line staff and obtaining information was empowering and helped them cut back on their isolation and assisted them in being able to make decisions. Ms. Landis also provided two examples of cases in which the Help Line was called on for assistance.

Ms. Engel observed that the City's Help Line was being looked at by other municipalities in Illinois and in other states as an extraordinarily well-designed model.

Chairman Sorosky noted that one of Governor Blagojevich's priorities has been the fight against methamphetamine, and the Chairman introduced another presenter for the meeting, Ernest Melchior, a CJIA staff member who has been working on an on-line database to allow for the reporting of clandestine methamphetamine laboratory seizures.

Mr. Melchior explained that he is a programmer in the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit and that he and Ding Hai Liu from the Authority's Information Systems Unit had been working on the project together. Mr. Melchior's Power Point presentation simulated what a user of the system, known as CLARIS, would experience in going into the database to enter data about a laboratory seizure. Mr. Melchior also noted that the Authority was able to make improvements based on user suggestions. CLARIS allows the user to submit information about the location where the seizure was made, the suspects who were encountered and the chemicals, if any, that were found. Mr. Melchior also demonstrated how the CLARIS system assists the officer in entering the data by preventing the entry of inappropriate data while explaining why the data is not appropriate, thus giving the officer a chance to correct the entry. In designing the system, Mr. Melchior and Mr. Hai tried to be both reasonable and flexible for ease of use. The database is designed so that for various questions, only if a particular item is entered will the user be asked additional questions about that item by means of drop-down boxes. If the answer to the question indicates that the additional information is not appropriate, then the user will not even see the drop-down boxes. The process is thus simplified.

Mr. Melchior also related that he had been permitted to attend a training session for meth lab responders conducted by the Attorney General's Office so that he could see and hear their concerns as they are in the process of seizing a lab. He also stated that the design strategy has been that if the officer might possibly need to enter information, the database allows them to do that.

Chariman Sorosky then called up Fred Trick acting CFO, to present fiscal information.

Mr. Trick directed the Board Members' attention to written materials which had been distributed, and noted that the Authority's expenditures are well under the appropriation due to some staff vacancies not having been filled as of yet. Mr. Trick reminded all of the Director's statements that OMB indicated that permission would be given to fill some of the vacancies in a short time. The fiscal staff will, of course, monitor expenses under

the General Revenue Fund as the year progresses. Mr. Trick further noted that because of the transfer of the police information systems to IPSAN, the only costs are those that will be passed along to IPSAN under an agreement including for rent and telecommunications charges. The Authority will bill IPSAN for those and expects that that IPSAN's Board will pay those costs.

Mr. Trick next directed the members' attention to another portion of the written materials dealing with federal funding sources. Mr. Trick noted that the Authority was right on target for the first quarter. Mr. Trick also pointed to the state matching funds that are required for the federal grants and noted that that figure is also on target. As to an item listed as miscellaneous, Mr. Trick indicated that is for the expenses of the Capital Punishment Reform Study Commission, the expenses for which are monitored by the Authority. As to the criminal justice information project fund with an appropriation of \$400,000, Mr. Trick related that funds have not yet begun to flow. Mr. Trick noted that the juvenile accountability block grant was in the amount of \$12,540,000 but that next fiscal year's figure will be lower.

Chairman Sorosky recognized John Stroger, now retired from the Authority Board, as a friend, a colleague and a credit to county government.

{The Chairman sought a motion to adjourn, which motion was made by Mr. Toscas, seconded by Mr. Goetten and passed by unanimous voice vote.}

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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Frederic J. Trick, Acting Chief Fiscal Officer

Date: March 2, 2007

Re: Authority Fiscal Reports

Attached are the FY 2007 fiscal reports covering the period: July 1, 2006 through December 31, 2006.

Exhibit #1 – Operations

As shown on Exhibit 1, the Authority has expended or obligated 21% of our total operations appropriation and 28% of our General Revenue operations appropriation respectively.

Exhibit #2 – Awards and Grants

As shown on Exhibit 2, the Authority has expended or obligated 54% of our General Revenue matching funds appropriation and 66% of our total appropriation.

I will be available at the Authority meeting to answer any questions you may have regarding these reports.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: John Chojnacki, Associate Director, Federal & State Grants Unit

Date: February 16, 2007

Re: Federal and State Grants Unit Report – March 2, 2007 Authority Meeting

The staff assigned to the Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU) performed the following activities during the period of November 1, 2006, to January 31, 2007. During this period, FSGU headcount remained at 18. New hires are pending at this time.

Grant Activities

During the reporting period FSGU staff monitored 305 grants, representing approximately \$114,425,623 in grant funds. Monitoring included the following:

- Reviewing (1,144) monthly or quarterly reports: (569) data and (575) fiscal;
- Initiating disbursement of funds requested by grantees;
- Conducting (20) site visits;
- Processing budget revisions and/or amendments to existing agreements;
- Reviewing requests for proposals (RFPs) drafted by grantees and proposed subcontracts between grantees and other service providers or vendors; and
- Providing technical assistance to grantees (approximately 3,532 times). This included telephonic, e-mail, and on site contacts with grantees that requested assistance regarding issues relating to their grant(s). Staff also received communications from non-grantees regarding types of grants available through the federal government, and/or how to complete forms for federal grants.

During this reporting period, FSGU staff processed 78 new agreements (grants), representing \$7,086,341 in grant funds. Processing of a new agreement includes:

- Negotiating the program narrative, budget, and budget narrative with the grantee;
- Processing the grant proposal for in-house legal, fiscal, and research and analysis reviews and comments;
- Making necessary changes and forwarding the agreement to the grantee for signature;
- Once returned, processing the agreement through the Office of General Counsel for the executive director's signature, and, when signed, returning a fully executed copy to the grantee as well as other contacts; and
- Initiating an obligation and disbursing any initial funds that are requested.

Administrative Activities

Meetings

During the reporting period, FSGU staff have planned for and/or staffed five meetings:

- One Budget Committee meeting was held on January 24, 2007.
- Staff planned for a Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition meeting that was held on February 1, 2007
- Staff conducted a Project Safe Neighborhoods budget meeting on December 14, 2006.
- The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (IMVTPC) conducted two meetings: 1) a regular council meeting was held on November 17, 2006, and 2) a Grant Review Committee meeting was held on January 17, 2007 in Springfield, Illinois.

Meeting preparation often involves coordination with other Authority units such as Research and Analysis and the Office of Administrative Services, and often includes logistics coordination and production, assembly, and mailing of materials.

Federal Program Applications

Between November of 2006 and January of 2007, applications were submitted to the federal government for awards from the following federal programs:

Program	Date Submitted
Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) FFY07	December 13, 2006
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) FFY07	January 5, 2007
National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP) FFY07	January 25, 2007

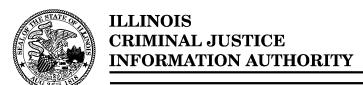
Training and Conferences

- One staff member attended a Bureau of Justice Administration conference in Columbus, Ohio on January 8-10, 2007.
- Eight staff members attended a sexual assault training at Loyola University in Chicago, Illinois on January 26, 2007.

Other Activities

• In support of the Authority's Strategic Plan, staff continues to prioritize projects and activities as well as develop strategies to best incorporate the Authority's Action Plan initiatives into unit operations.

- During the reporting period, FSGU continued to operate without a full staff. Executive staff is pursuing the hiring process with expectations of returning the unit to full strength. On an individual basis, staff members have continued to handle increased grant loads, train the new employees, and perform other responsibilities, pending the filling of vacant positions.
- Staff continually updates and upgrades Attachment A's, fact sheets (program/fund information sheets), funding charts, and other items on the Authority's Internet and Intranet sites.
- Staff is examining ways to improve the public's access via the Internet to information relating to programs that receive funds from the Authority and to information about the individual grantees. This is part of an on-going process aimed at making the Authority's activities more open and transparent to the general public.
- Staff is continuing to work and meet with the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit
 as well as other state and local agencies, such as the Administrative Office of the
 Illinois Courts, jail-based mental health services, community-based transitional
 services for female offenders, and juvenile reporting centers to advance common
 goals and projects.
- Staff has worked closely with Fiscal Management staff to close out the Violence Against Women Act FFY00, Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) FFY 2002 and FFY 2003, and Local Law Enforcement Block Grants (LLEBG) FFY 2003 federal awards.
- Staff is working closely with Fiscal Management staff to close out Anti-Drug Abuse Act (ADAA) FFY 1997 through FFY 2002, the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grants FFY 2002, and the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Act FFY 2000 federal awards.
- Staff continues to be involved in post-Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) Summit activities, including the Illinois BARJ initiative.
- As part of the Authority's on-going efforts to upgrade its information systems, Staff
 met with the Information Services Unit and the Research and Analysis Unit to discuss
 formatting of the Authority's new E-Grant computer system, which is intended to
 eventually replace the current Grant Management Information System.



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MEMORANDUM

To: Authority Members

From: Frederic J. Trick

Acting Chief Fiscal Officer

Date: March 2, 2007

Re: Summary of Office of Fiscal Management Activities

The following highlights the work by the Office of Fiscal Management since the last Authority meeting.

Reports

The following reports were prepared and submitted by the OFM staff:

- FY07 2nd quarter aged accounts receivable and payment application reports.
- Quarterly Federal Financial Status Reports (SF 269's) for direct and formula grant awards.
- Cost center reports for agency operations and federal grant cost centers.
- Monthly expense variance report preparation and analysis for the Office of Management and Budget.

IPSAN Transition

• The Authority has had two meetings with the Governor's Office of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and IPSAN (Aug 30th and Sep 20th respectively). OMB agreed that the Authority would release \$100,000 to IPSAN and a warrant was issued in November. At these meetings the IPSAN Chairman Gib Cady indicated that they were striving for a December 31st departure from the Authority premises along with taking over of the billing functions. To date that has not occurred and the Authority continues to bill IPSAN for communication lines, lease space, and the handling of the billing/accounting responsibilities.

On February 13th a conference call was made to IPSAN by the Authority requesting a progress update as to the eventual move and to discuss current outstanding bills in the aggregate amount of \$91,827.72. No payments have been received since the warrant was issued and all bills invoiced to IPSAN by the Authority have been sent with return receipt requested. Director Levin gave IPSAN a firm deadline of 30 days

for 25% of the amount owed be paid along with keeping all new billings current. Director Levin also stated that the Authority expects IPSAN to pay 25% each month thereafter, until all past due amounts are paid.

The Authority has also discussed with CMS to bill IPSAN directly for all communication lines currently used. That discussion is still ongoing as to proper accounting procedures to accomplish this.

Federal Grants

- Conducted preliminary budget reviews of approximately 113 interagency agreements.
- Processed 174 contract obligation documents (\$38,503,900) and 309 vouchers (\$15,799,500) for federal grants to state and local governments and not-for-profit agencies.

General Agency Obligation

- Completed the obligation, expenditure and cash reconciliations for six funds.
- Appropriations are in place for FY07 and spending is less than planned based on less staff as compared to planned levels.

Other Agency Issues

- Work has begun on the FY08 Illinois State Legislative (ISL's) book which is due in Springfield on March 9th.
- The Fiscal Department continues the responsibility for entering payroll in order to assist the Human Resources Department.
- Shared Services sessions continue in Springfield. The Grant Accounting session and the General Accounting sessions are scheduled for February and March.
- The FY 08 Budget for the Authority has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget. The Authority awaits the approval of both the operating budget and the headcount levels.



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To: Authority Members

From: Tracy Hahn, Senior Research Analyst

Research and Analysis Unit

Date:

Re: Research and Analysis Unit Report for the March 2007 Authority Meeting

This memorandum highlights some of the work performed by staff of the Research and Analysis Unit since the Authority's last quarterly meeting.

I. CURRENT PROJECTS

A. Program evaluation and research projects

The R&A Unit pursues an aggressive program evaluation and research agenda through an in-house ADAA-funded grant program. Evaluation and research efforts supported, conducted or monitored by R&A staff include:

1. Reintegration of Gang Offenders in the Community

In collaboration with DePaul University's Department of Sociology, the Illinois Department of Corrections, and the Attorney General's Gang Crime Prevention Center, a small-scale, pilot study of the reintegration process has been conducted. The study is largely qualitative, examining how gang and non-gang offenders go about reintegrating into their communities of origin. A final report is available on our website and a summary report is under final review.

2. <u>Illinois Going Home Program Evaluation</u>

The University of Chicago is conducting an implementation and preliminary impact evaluation of the Illinois Going Home Program. The program is a major offender reentry effort funded through a partnership of contributing federal agencies and in concert with a number of Chicago-area government, community and faith-based organizations. The evaluation will determine if the program was implemented as designed, how it worked in the field and the effectiveness of the program. Evaluators completed a one-year interim report in September. This report identified a number of recommendations for increasing enrollment that Going Home staff is currently implementing. The final report was received and revisions requests were submitted. We are awaiting the final copy.

3. Reports on the analysis of datasets maintained/available through the Authority

In addition to collaborative research projects using the Chicago Homicide Dataset or the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study, R&A staff has also collaborated with external researchers on projects that focus on the analysis of our in-house data. This data includes InfoNet, which is a database that maintains information from victim service providers and agencies, and data from the Illinois Crime Victimization Survey and the 2000 Probation Outcome Study.

- Analysis of Crime Victimization Data Violent Crime and Victim's Gender, by Dr. Callie Rennison of the University of Missouri St. Louis. This analysis addresses whether individual and family level correlates of nonfatal victimization differ by gender, whether these correlates differ by type of nonfatal violent crime and whether they differ depending on the victim and offender relationship. This report was received in September and is available on our website, and a Research at a Glance is also available on our site.
- Analysis of Drug Use, Treatment and Probationer Recidivism, by Dr. Beth Hueber of the
 University of Missouri at St. Louis. This project identified the characteristics of drug-involved
 probationers, the prevalence of participation in treatment and the effect of treatment on
 probation outcomes. The report is available on our website and a summary is under
 development.
- Analysis of Methamphetamine and Domestic Violence in Illinois under the direction of Dr. Gaylene Armstrong at Southern Illinois University. This project measures the impact of methamphetamine on domestic violence across Illinois counties. State and regional trends in meth use are detailed, as well as a descriptive assessment of statewide and regional trends in domestic violence. In addition, the study examines the effect of meth use indicators on variations in domestic violence, while controlling for other county level characteristics. This report is due in early 2007.
- Victim Characteristics and Reporting Violence to the Police (Illinois Crime Victimization Data) under the direction of Dr. Callie Rennison of the University of Missouri at St. Louis. This project examines how victim's characteristics influence the decision to contact the police following violence. The study is based on Illinois 2002 crime victimization survey data. This report was received in January are is currently under review.
- Comparing Risk Factors Associated with Violent and General Recidivism while on Probation and After Discharge Implications for Risk Management under the direction of Dr. Loretta Stalans and Dr. Paul Yarnold. This study will address several issues in the identification of risk factors that contribute to violent and non-violent recidivism after discharge from probation. In addition, the study will address what types of offenders show evidence of refraining from new crimes for a longer-term period after they have successful treatment completion. They study will also test whether family only and generalized aggressors have unique risk factors associated with recidivism. This report is due in winter 2007.

4. Safe Havens Domestic Violence Program evaluation project

Staff is evaluating the Chicago Safe Havens demonstration site, a project funded under the Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Grant Program. The Safe Havens Program was established by the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 to provide an opportunity for communities to support supervised visitation and safe exchange of children, by and between parents, in situations involving domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault, or stalking. The purpose of the supervised visitation program is to enable custodial parents to comply with court ordered visitation, without having to fear that they or their children will be re-victimized. Staff has received IRB approval and data collection has begun. Staff has identified the following priority areas of the evaluation: interviews with visitation center directors and staff (to determine changes in practice in policy and roles as collaborators), the issue of case termination (to determine why cases come to a close and what can be done in cases where visits should continue, but do not), observation forms used by staff at visitation centers during visits as well as other data collected in client files (Data from these forms, together with data collected through the 11 interviews that are completed can help determine how accurately these forms reflect what happens during visits. Other client information found in their files can help identify who is referred to visitation services from court, how rule violations are handled, and in terms of termination, whether or not clients fail to show up for services, if they terminate visits due to court order, etc.). All interviews have been completed. Data collection from the family file folders is finished in two of the three centers, and half of the data is collected in the third center. All family court judges in Chicago participated in a training session that focused on domestic violence in relation to custody and visitation rights. Staff distributed a pre-survey, a survey at the training itself, and a post-survey to determine whether or not the training had an affect on judges' beliefs or actions in the courtroom.

5. Criminal justice agencies Needs Assessment Survey project

Orbis Partners was assigned to conduct a criminal justice needs assessment in Illinois and the Authority has recently received the results of the survey in a draft report. The primary purpose of this study is to supply information that will demonstrate the needs of criminal justice organizations, and identify areas that need improvement. The information will also be used to guide decision-making regarding where to best allocate resources. The study's secondary purpose is to provide information that outlines if, and how, the needs of criminal justice organizations have changed over time by comparing the data collected as part of this study to the results of a needs assessment survey conducted in 1996.

Major components of the criminal justice system were surveyed on topics such as workload demands, training needs, staff retention, information systems and programming. The needs assessment involved the distribution of surveys to approximately 1,700 practitioners in the Illinois criminal justice system, and included court clerks, detention center administrators, judges, police chiefs, probation, public defenders, state's attorneys, and victim service providers. While the surveys for each agency contained some of the same sections, the surveys were also tailored to address those issues that pertain specifically to the component of

the system being surveyed. For example, the survey for detention centers offered questions regarding security issues, medical care and in-house programs; while the probation survey offered questions on assessment tools and supervision.

After multiple strategies were employed to encourage participation, a total of 602 questionnaires were returned for an overall response rate of 38.6%. Results indicate that law enforcement feel that domestic violence crimes, property crime and juvenile crime are the most significant contributors to their workload. Law enforcement also noted a need for resources and training related to methamphetamine investigations. Respondents from probation and court services indicated that in addition to supervision duties, pre-sentence investigations comprise a significant part of their workload, as do working with clients that present treatment and drug or alcohol use issues.

Drug cases comprised a significant portion of the workload for both public defenders and state's attorneys, as did domestic violence and juvenile crime cases. Additional or timelier crime lab processing was also noted as factor in the efficient movement of cases. The need for drug treatment, employment opportunities and youth prevention programs was noted by both the prosecution and defense sides, as well as victim service providers, as actions that may reduce drug use or violence.

Many of the respondents also noted the need for increased resources to combat identity theft, an increased need for bi-lingual personnel or language translation, and the need for better access to computerized information or information sharing systems. While the final results are still being studied, the responses and the final report have become an integral part of the JAG planning process. The report will be placed on our website in March 2007 and an overall summary is in development. A series of summaries describing results by criminal justice component are planned.

6. <u>Evaluation of IDOC's Sheridan Correctional Center Therapeutic Community</u> Program

Research & Analysis staff is continuing to support the operation of the Sheridan Correctional Center through a process and impact evaluation. Open since January 2004, Sheridan operates as a fully dedicated therapeutic community for inmates in need of substance abuse treatment. Sheridan is the largest treatment prison in the country. The evaluation of Sheridan is a collaborative effort between the Authority, Loyola University, and the Illinois Department of Corrections. Using methods approved by an Evaluation Advisory Committee, the process and impact evaluation involves extensive quantitative data collection and qualitative information from interviews with staff and participants. The evaluation will seek to measure changes in participant attitudes, beliefs and psychological functioning, in addition to participants' preparedness for release. The study will also examine the extent and nature of institutional violations and measures of recidivism after release. Employment and access to services will also be studied. A summary of the project was released in October 2004 as a *Program Evaluation Summary* report, and Authority staff has completed analyses assessing program impact after two years of operation. A second *Program Evaluation Summary* report was

completed in March 2006 reporting recidivism and post-release employment outcomes in addition to information contained in the first *Program Evaluation Summary* report. The Authority continues to assist the evaluation team in updating recidivism figures on a continuous basis. Research will continue throughout much of 2007. A third program evaluation summary is expected to be published near the beginning of 2007, as well as additional publications at a later date regarding the long-term impact of the program and the characteristics of participants that influence success in the program.

7. Evaluation of Redeploy Illinois sites

The evaluation of two Redeploy Illinois sites began in March 2005. The first site, in Macon County, provides a series of services and treatments in an effort to keep juveniles in the community and out of the Illinois Department of Corrections. The second site, in the Second Judicial Circuit, also employs treatment and includes Multi-Systemic Therapy, Functional Family Therapy and Aggression Replacement Training to keep youth in the community. Powered Performance, a Wheaton-based research and consulting firm, was awarded the contract to evaluate both Redeploy sites. The final report was received and is available on our website. The Macon County Redeploy *Program Evaluation Summary* is available and the summary for the 2nd circuit is nearly complete.

A request for proposals was issued in January 2006 for the evaluation of two new Redeploy Illinois sites in Peoria and St. Clair Counties. Southern Illinois University-Carbondale was awarded the contract in March 2006 to evaluate these sites. The evaluation report was received in July and is available on our website. Two program summaries have also been drafted.

8. <u>An evaluation of Illinois-Citizen Law Enforcement Analysis and Reporting (I-CLEAR)</u>

The evaluation of I-CLEAR has been awarded to Northwestern University. The evaluation will assess the statewide implementation of the CLEAR reporting system operating under the Chicago Police Department. I-CLEAR will offer a statewide criminal justice information system that is accessible to all of Illinois' criminal justice agencies. The two-year assessment began in May 2005. The interim report was received this past summer and the final report is due May 2007.

9.Lake County Transitional Services for Female Offenders (PTSD)

Loyola University, under the direction of Dr. Loretta Stalans, was awarded a grant to evaluate the Lake County probation program that provides specialized services to women probationers who exhibit post-traumatic stress disorder. The evaluation began in January 2006 and data collection and interviews are progressing. The final report will be submitted in May 2007.

10. Cook County Social Services, Transitional Services for Female Offenders

Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, under the direction of Dr. Gaylene Armstrong, was awarded a grant to evaluate the Cook County Social Service Department program that provides

specialized services to women probationers that are convicted of DUI. The final report was submitted in January and is under review.

11. Investigator Initiated Research

Projects funded under an Investigator-initiated RFP address research in our priority areas of interest. The following two proposals were selected for funding:

- Corrections to Community: The collective reentry experience of juvenile offenders.
 This study, under the direction of the University of Chicago, will examine a
 number of factors that play into the reentry experience of juveniles released from
 Illinois correctional facilities between 1996 and 2002. We are awaiting return of
 the contract.
- Analysis of Domestic Violence Service Data. Under the direction of Loyola University, this study will examine InfoNet service data to describe victim service use patters over time and describe the characteristics of victims and their service needs. The report was received in January and is under review.

An additional Investigator-initiated RFP was issued in July 2006 and we received a number of well-qualified proposals. Reviewers elected to fund the following:

- Assessing the Risk of Sexual and violent Recidivism and Identifying Differences in Risk Factor. This study is under the direction of Loyola University and will seek to inform the criminal justice system's probation and parole officers, treatment professionals, and judges as to the accuracy of assessment tools for predicting the risk of sexual or violent reoffending. Comparisons between offenders from the prison system and those on probation will be conducted. The 12-month project began January 2007.
- A Study of Co-occurring Conditions and Treatment Coordination of Jail Detainees. Conducted by the University of Illinois at Chicago, this study will select and interview 300 adult male and 150 adult female detainees in the psychiatric residential treatment units at the Cook County Department of Corrections jail facility. The project will seek to better understand the needs of this high-risk and resource-intensive population and provide a basis for developing better coordinated systems of care within the jail, community and transition to prison for those sentenced detainees. This 12-month project began in October 2006.

11. Capital Punishment Reform Study Committee

Staff assisted the Capital Punishment Reform Study Committee in the development of an RFP to secure a vendor for the development of a survey regarding capital punishment in Illinois. Loyola University was the selected Vendor and staff are working to finalize a contract.

B. Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Audit

The unit's Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Audit Center is an ADAA-funded in-house effort to continuously examine the accuracy, completeness and timeliness of this information, and to recommend strategies for improvement.

The 2006 CHRI Audit report was published on the Authority website in July. Auditors conducted site visits in 13 counties and collected arrest, submission, and charging data from each county. The findings indicate that the accuracy and timeliness of data in the repository has been greatly improved through the use of technology. A Research Bulletin summarizing the findings and recommendations is under review and will be published on the Authority's website.

The 2008 CHRI Audit methodology development is currently underway. The focus of this audit will be the accuracy, completeness and timeliness of court disposition information on the state's Computerized Criminal History (CCH) System.

CHRI Data Ad Hoc Connection. The CHRI data ad hoc connection is an electronic connection to criminal history record information housed by the Illinois State Police. Access to CHRI data allows ICJIA to query the data housed on the computerized criminal history database. Use of this data resource provides a rich data resource that may support fact based decision making as well continuous improvement of the data quality. Illinois is one of only a handful of states that has this technical ability to electronically access state criminal history record information for research purposes.

The CHRI Ad Hoc connection affords audit staff the ability to directly query the state police database for results that are current as of the previous day, and to download and store blocks of data for research purposes. A CHRI Ad Hoc Data Archive of all criminal history records from 1990-2005 has been created in formats that can be readily shared with researchers. This Archive currently holds close to a million records for each year. These data are stored in a secure environment and made available only for in-house research needs and to those researchers with user agreements. A Data Dictionary defining all available data elements and general user guidelines has been developed and reviewed by ISP staff.

Staff has worked cooperatively with the state police to develop and implement a research data request processing procedure and unified user agreement. The process incorporates verification of bona fide research and appropriate protection of confidential data. The unified user agreement facilitates accountability for the research use of criminal history data records. User agreements have been executed with researchers from University of Chicago, Georgetown University and Harvard University. Several others are pending approval.

Recidivism of Sex Offenders Released from the Illinois Department of Corrections. Audit center staff recently received a \$17,000 grant to participate in a multi-state research project examining the rate of recidivism of sex offenders released from prison. The grant is supported jointly by the U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics National Criminal History Improvement (NCHIP) funds and by the Justice Research and Statistical Association (JRSA). Illinois joins 10 other states in replicating research previously

conducted by BJS in 2003. This 9-month research project utilizes data collected from exit files of the Illinois Department of Corrections, and state and federal criminal history record information to measure the rate of re-offending (arrest and incarceration) of sex offenders in three years following release from prison.

A sample of approximately 600 sex offenders has been identified from a data file of year 2001 exits received from the Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC). The process of determining any out-of-state arrests for these individuals has begun. Criminal history record information will be pulled from the CHRI Ad Hoc Data Archive for analysis of in-state recidivism.

<u>Uniform Conviction Information Act (UCIA) Cost Survey.</u> The Authority is statutorily mandated to periodically assess if the maximum allowable fee charged for conviction information requests made by the private citizens adequately covers the costs incurred. Approximately 300 law enforcement agencies will be mailed a brief survey. Audit staff are currently devising a state-wide sampling strategy to target those agencies most likely to handle UCIA requests. Results of the survey and any recommendations for changes in the maximum allowable fee will be reported to the Authority Board.

<u>Juvenile Arrest Data.</u> Audit staff worked to provide juvenile arrest data from the CHRI Ad Hoc Data Archive for the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission 2004 Annual Report. This is currently the only source for statewide individual-level juvenile arrest data. A Research Bulletin focusing on the quality of juvenile arrest reporting and more detailed juvenile arrest trends from 2000-2005 is planned.

C. Chicago Homicide Dataset Update Project

The Chicago Homicide Dataset has been collected and maintained for many years in close cooperation with the Crime Analysis Unit, Detective Division, of the Chicago Police Department. The CHD is a comprehensive database containing information on every homicide that occurred in Chicago between 1965 and 2000. In August 2005, staff completed a long-standing effort to update the dataset through 2000, and staff has been working to clean and archive the complete 36-year dataset. With the help of Richard Block, staff completed the geocoding of the new data and checked the geocoding of the earlier data.

Staff continues to collaborate with selected researchers on projects involving use of the Chicago Homicide Dataset. A product of one of these collaborations, "Children's Risk of Homicide: Victimization Rates from Birth to Age 14, Chicago, 1965 to 1995" has just been published as an ICJIA Research Bulletin. In August 2006, we began a new collaboration with Charis Kubrin and Erin Fishburn of George Washington University on "The Role of Street Culture in Latino/Hispanic Homicide." Other CHD collaborations include the following:

- A paper with Kim Vogt (University of Wisconsin), "Trends and circumstances of Chicago homicides of young boys, ages infant to 14, 1965-2000," was presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings, in a session entitled Violence, Homicide and Gender.
- Staff is collaborating with Lynn Addington, Department of Justice, Law and Society, American University, on "Homicide location by victim characteristics and weapon," a comparison of NIBRS data and CHS data. We plan to write a Research Bulletin and submit an article to the journal *Homicide Studies*.

- "An evaluation of arson-associated homicide in Chicago," with Dallas Drake, a retired firefighter, was revised for re-submission Homicide Studies in August. A revised version, titled "When Arson is Fatal," will be submitted as an ICJIA Research Bulletin."
- ~ "Recent changes in young children's risk of homicide victimization," with Kim Vogt (University of Wisconsin). An update to: *Trends in Young Children's Risk of Homicide Victimization in Chicago*, 1965-1995.
- "Long-term trends in young children's risk of homicide victimization: Chicago, 1965-2000" with Kim Vogt (University of Wisconsin). Paper to be submitted to *Homicide Studies*.
- "Murder of newborns and infants in Chicago: Patterns and implications for prevention" with Kim Vogt (University of Wisconsin). To be submitted as a Research Bulletin
- "Patterns and contextual characteristics of fatal and nonfatal violence against the elderly," with Ronet Bachman, an expert on national elderly victim data, was presented at the American Society of Criminology in November. The editors of the Justice Research and Policy journal invited us to submit a paper to the journal for publication.
- "Homicide characteristics and developmental age: Victimizations of infants and children under age five in Chicago, 1965-2000" with Kim Vogt (University of Wisconsin). To be submitted to Homicide Studies.
- "Street gang-related homicides in Chicago, 1965 to 2004," with Tim Lavery and Megan Alderden of the Chicago Police Department, a work in progress.
- ~ "Killing little girls: homicides of girls aged infant to 14, Chicago 1965-1995," with Kim Vogt, University of Wisconsin. Research Bulletin in progress.
- "Murder of newborns and infants in Chicago: patterns and implications for prevention," with Kim Vogt, University of Wisconsin.
- "Homicides Committed by Children: Offenders under age 15 in Chicago, with Kim Vogt, University of Wisconsin, was presented at the American Society of Criminology in November.
- ~ "Concomitant Homicides: Others Who Die in Intimate Partner Confrontations," with Jen Rubin (Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence). Research Bulletin in progress.
- When an Elderly Person is Murdered: Circumstances of Homicides Against the Elderly in Chicago, 1965 to 2000" was presented at the Homicide Research Working Group meetings in June, and is being revised for the Proceedings of that meeting. A Research Bulletin and an article to submit to *Homicide Studies* are in progress.
- "Young Homicide Offenders in Chicago, Offenders Under Age 14, 1965-1995" with Kim Vogt (University of Wisconsin). Presented at the American Society of Criminology in November 2005. To be submitted as a *Research Bulletin*.

D. Externally-funded research and evaluation projects

R&A staff has been successful in the pursuit of external discretionary grants to support research and evaluation efforts. Several current projects are or were supported by such grants:

1. Chicago Women's Health Risk Study (CWHRS)

Funded by NIJ with substantial in-kind support from the Authority and other collaborating agencies, the Chicago Women's Health Risk Project is a continuing collaboration of medical, public health, and criminal justice agencies, and domestic violence experts to identify factors that indicate a significant danger of life-threatening injury or death in situations of intimate partner

violence. Collaborating agencies include the Chicago Department of Public Health, Erie Family Health Center, Cook County Hospital, Chicago Mayor's Office on Domestic Violence, Cook County Medical Examiner's Office, Chicago Police Department and the Authority. Project research included detailed interviews with abused women sampled as they entered a hospital, clinic, or health center for treatment, as well as interviews with people who knew victims of intimate partner homicide. By comparing data on abused women with similar data on women who have been killed by or who killed an intimate partner, the project helps agencies develop collaborative ways to identify and respond to potentially life-threatening intimate violence situations. A follow-up study looked at the effects of community capacity to determine whether the violence stopped or declined in the abused women's neighborhoods. The research provides vital information to beat officers, clinical staff, and other decision-makers in the field.

The goal of the CWHRS project is now to "get the word out" about important and potentially life-saving results, to the public and to practitioners and legislators who can use those results to help save lives. The CWHRS Forum, housed on the Authority's web site, currently has 90 members, most of them practitioners or researchers in the field, plus welcomes visits from people seeking information. A number of reports, journal articles and other publications have been developed from the research, most of them collaborations. Staff is frequently solicited for presentations and briefings on the research and project tools, and data continue to be requested for use by other researchers. "Risk factors for femicide-suicide in abusive relationships: Results from a multi-site case control study" (with Jane Koziol-McLain, Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand, Daniel Webster, Johns Hopkins, Judith McFarlane, Texas Women's University, Yvonne Ulrich, University of Washington School of Nursing, Nancy Glass, Oregon Health and Science University, Jacquelyn C. Campbell, Johns Hopkins) was published in *Violence and Victims* (June, 2006). We are now revising the paper to submit as a *Research Bulletin*.

Other current and recent collaborations based on CWHRS results include the following:

- A paper with Sara Naureckas and Eva Hernandez (CWHRS collaborators), "Risk of death for Latina/Hispanic women experiencing intimate partner violence," was presented at the American Society of Criminology meetings, in a session entitled Domestic Violence: Focus on Minorities and the Elderly. This paper will be submitted as an ICJIA *Research Bulletin*.
- Staff chaired a workshop on "Collaborative research between practitioners and researchers" at the American Society of Criminology meetings in November 2006. The Collaboration workshop grew out of the development of collaboration methods in the CWHRS, and the publishing of a Research Bulletin and a journal article on collaboration.
- The paper, "Intimate Partner Older Women Homicide," by Yvonne Campbell Ulrich, Jacquelyn C. Campbell, Carolyn Rebecca Block, Kathryn Laughon and Linda Teri, which was based on the CWHRS and on the eleven similar studies conducted in cities across the country, was submitted in October, 2006, to the *Journal of Elder Abuse and Neglect*.
- A paper with Esther Jenkins (CWHRS collaborator), "Risk of death for Black/African-American women experiencing intimate partner violence," is under preparation. A first analysis has been completed, and further analysis is awaiting the merge of lethal/non-lethal CWHRS data. This paper will be submitted as an ICJIA *Research Bulletin*.
- "Intimate partner violence and miscarriage: Examination of the role of physical and psychological abuse and PTSD" (with Leslie A. Morland, National Center for PTSD, Honolulu, Gregory A. Leskin, National Center for PTSD, Palo Alto, Jacquelyn C. Campbell, Johns Hopkins, and

- Matthew J. Friedman, National Center for PTSD and Dartmouth Medical School) was revised and re-submitted to the *Journal of Interpersonal Violence* in July, 2006.
- "Forced sex and leaving intimate relationships: Results of the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study," by Carolyn Rebecca Block and Walter DeKeseredy (University of Ontario) has been accepted for publication in the May, 2007 issue of the journal *Women's Health and Urban Life*. An earlier version, "Forced sex during and after exiting intimate relationships." was presented at the SSSP (Society for the Study of Social Problems) meetings in August 2006.
- ~ Darryl Brice, a graduate student at Loyola University Chicago, is writing a dissertation proposal on the SSN (Social Support Network) scale, using the CWHRS data.
- "Intimate partner violence during pregnancy: Outcomes for mother and child" (with Phyllis Sharps, Johns Hopkins, Kathryn Laughon, University of Virginia School of Nursing and Jacquelyn C. Campbell, Johns Hopkins). We have a draft completed, but are waiting on staff to complete the lethal/non-lethal merge of the CWHRS data.
- "Non-fatal strangulation is an important risk factor for attempted and completed femicide" (with Nancy Glass, Oregon Health and Science University, Kathryn Laughon, University of Virginia, Jacquelyn C. Campbell, Johns Hopkins, and Ginger Hanson, Oregon Health and Science University). Revised and re-submitted to the *Journal of Emergency Medicine* in July, 2006.
- "A comparison of African-American and Latina women's decisions about help-seeking for intimate partner violence" (with Heather Bourne, University of Massachusetts, Amherst). Submitted to *Psychology of Women Quarterly*.
- "Seeking help from the police: Battered women's decisions and experiences" (with Kim Davies, Augusta State University and Jacquelyn Campbell, Johns Hopkins), submitted to A Critical Journal of Crime, Law and Society.
- "The prevalence of PTSD among women experiencing intimate partner violence depends on seriousness, continuation and social support network" (with Gregory A. Leskin, National Center for PTSD, and Jacqueline Campbell, Johns Hopkins). Research Bulletin in progress.
- "Are stepchildren in the home a risk factor for intimate partner homicide?" (with Todd Shackelford, Florida Atlantic University). Paper in progress.
- "PTSD in battered African American Women" (with Esther Jenkins, Chicago State University). Paper in progress.
- "Risk of women becoming an offender in intimate partner homicide" (with Esther Jenkins, Chicago State University). Paper in progress.

2. Juvenile justice system and risk factor data: 2004Annual Report

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, R&A staff has completed work on the 2004 Annual Report. Staff has compiled county-level juvenile justice system and risk factor data into a single data report. Like the previous report, this version also summarizes recent trends in these data over time and discusses emerging juvenile justice system issues in Illinois, including Balanced and Restorative Justice, the Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, Disproportionate Minority Contact, and Redeploy Illinois. The comprehensive report, which contains over 200 pages of juvenile justice information, is slated for publication in February 2007 and staff will also publish a *Research at a Glance* focusing on system and risk factor trends in rural counties.

3. Evaluation of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts Evidence-Based Practices

In March of 2005, ICJIA research staff entered into a three-year cooperative agreement with the National Institute of Corrections (NIC) in the amount of \$194,232 to evaluate Illinois' Evidenced-Based Practices (EBP) Initiative. This project will assist local probation departments participating in the EBP Initiative by providing them with data and analysis that gauges performance before and during the implementation of evidence-based practices, and will establish a process and protocol for ongoing assessment of probation performance through an effective state and local partnership. The first wave of data collection has been completed in Lake, DuPage, Adams, Cook and Sangamon counties. Data collection continues in the 2nd Judicial Circuit. The second wave of data collection will begin in early 2007 at all sites. Partnership agreements have been executed for Sangamon and the 2nd Judicial Circuit.

4. Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth Research Grant

On September 18, 2006, the Authority was awarded a Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention grant to conduct research on the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth (award # 2006-JP-FX-K057). The overall goal of the research is to gain a better understanding of the commercial sexual exploitation of children and youth (CSEC). A final report will be completed in Summer 2007.

We will use three research methods: focus groups, interviews, and arrest records. The research will:

- 1) examine how law enforcement has responded to CSEC in the past through an analysis of arrests of minors and adults for CSEC-related offenses,
- 2) survey law enforcement through one-on-one in-depth interviews to study their perceptions of the extent and nature of CSEC, and
- 3) hold focus groups to document the perceptions of women who had experience in the sex trade as minors.

An agreement was developed with Dr. Laurie Schaffner at University of Illinois at Chicago to share law enforcement data and in turn receive her social service provider interview data. IRB meeting was held on January 29, 2007 and the research will be approved pending changes. A draft of a survey instrument was created to use with police officers.

Professionals from entities with experience in the area of CSEC serve as an advisory group to help Authority staff plan the focus group project. These entities are: Alternatives, Inc.; Chicago Crime Commission; Cook County Sheriff's Department; Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center; Fraternal Order of Police; Ms. Jody Raphael, DePaul College of Law; Illinois Law Enforcement Education Foundation; Midwest Immigrant Human Rights Coalition; Office of the Illinois Attorney General; Dr. Schaffner, PhD, University of Illinois-Chicago; and Young Women's Empowerment Project. Researchers had a meeting with the advisory board in November 2006.

The Authority will contract with Claudine O'Leary as a consultant on the project. Ms. O'Leary is the founder and former director of the non-profit organization in Chicago, Young Women's Empowerment Project (YWEP). She will review focus group questions, transcripts, and review the final report. The Authority will contact with YWEP, which creates leadership opportunities and peer based dialogue and education by and for teen girls in the sex trade and to recognize the leadership, resilience and understanding girls already have. YWEP will recruit participants and moderate the focus groups. Two focus groups were tentatively scheduled for March 22, 2007. A focus group recruitment flyer, consent form, and questions were created.

5. Commitments to the Juvenile Division of the Illinois Department of Corrections

This is a short-term research project describing the characteristics of youth who have been committed to Illinois Youth Centers in 2004. In January 2007, two research bulletins were completed on the topic, Entitled "Examing Trend and Data on Incarcerated Youth in Illinois" and Examing Incarceration Trends Among Minority Youth in Illinois." Both are posted on the ICJIA Web site.

6. <u>Assessment of prior victimization and access to services among adult female inmates in the Illinois Department of Corrections</u>

This project is designed as an assessment of the prevalence of prior victimization, primarily domestic violence and sexual assault/abuse, among adult female inmates within the Illinois Department of Corrections. Through an examination of existing data collected during the Reception and Classification process at the Dwight Correctional Center, the research team will determine the prevalence of these forms of prior victimization, examine those inmate characteristics correlated with prior victimization (i.e., demographic, socio-economic, criminal and substance abuse history, and mental health), and gauge the access to IDOC services among those with histories of victimization. Staff is awaiting the release of data from IDOC.

7. CLARIS Web-based Application for methamphetamine lab reporting

The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) has asked each state to identify a single agency to be responsible for collecting monthly information regarding meth lab seizure incidents. The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority has been identified as the agency to collect this information.

The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority applied for and received a U.S. Department of Justice grant to develop CLARIS, a web interface and database to allow Illinois law enforcement agency personnel to enter meth lab seizure data, access these data, and extract these data from customized queries. It was originally designed as a tool to supplement ISP and EPIC data by providing a mechanism to electronically "push," or share, the collected data with EPIC and also share these data with the Illinois State Police, the key feature and hidden by-product of the database. CLARIS allows us to ensure that the agencies using it submit required data both to EPIC and also supply any additional information required by ISP.

Staff continue to make progress toward the development of the web-based database application to collect clandestine methamphetamine laboratory seizure data, as it will result in a resource that is helpful not only to contributors of the data but also to all police agencies in Illinois, the State of Illinois and the federal government.

II. ONGOING ACTIVITIES

A. Briefings/Presentations

Since the last Authority meeting, R&A staff made presentations at, and/or attended the following professional meetings:

- Illinois Bar Association Mid-year Meeting, Planning Committee
- At the American Society of Criminology meetings in November, 2006, staff presented two papers, "Trends and circumstances of Chicago homicides of young boys, ages infant to 14, 1965-2000" (based on the Chicago Homicide Dataset), and "Risk of death for Latina/Hispanic women experiencing intimate partner violence" (based on the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study). Staff also organized and chaired two workshop sessions, "Collaborative Research between Practitioners and Researchers," and "Data Integrity Workshop."
- Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board.
- Illinois Balanced and Restorative Justice Initiative.
- AOIC's Evidence-Based Programming Initiative Statewide Policy Group.
- AOIC's Evidence-Based Programming Initiative Research Subcommittee.
- Office of the Attorney General:
 - -Methamphetamine Healthcare Advisory Committee research-working group
 - -Methamphetamine Precursor Working Group
- Southern Illinois Methamphetamine Awareness Conference.
- Illinois Methamphetamine Advisory Committee.
- Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and Grant Review Committee.
- Crime Analysts of Illinois Association.
- PROMISE, Partnership to Rescue Our Minors from Sexual Exploitation, Task Force
- Chicago Public Schools Peer Jury Advisory Board OK
- IDHS Rescue and Restore our Minors from Sexual Exploitation Steering Committee
- Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives grant sites meeting.
- Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives partners meeting.
- Midwestern Governors Association's Regional Methamphetamine Summit
- Citywide [Chicago] BARJ Committee.
- Illinois Integrated Justice Information Systems Executive Committee, and Planning and Policy Committee meetings

B. Criminal Justice Information Clearinghouse

The Authority serves as a statewide clearinghouse for statistics and other information about crime and the criminal justice system. Many requests continue to come from governmental agencies (37 percent) and private agencies (24 percent). Other requests came from private citizens, researchers, students, news media representatives, legislators, and prison inmates. Twenty-nine percent of the

requests originate in the Chicago metropolitan area. Forty-eight percent originate in other parts of the state. All other requests for information were received from outside Illinois, outside the United States, and unknown areas. R&A distributed over 3,866 Authority publications during the second quarter of SFY 07, not including those downloaded from our Website (259,341) [TABLE 1]. The volume of web users has continued to remain at high levels. For example, in January 2007, There were nearly 700,000 "hits" on our website and nearly 30,000 visitors (users that remained on the site for a period of time.) There were nearly 92,000 downloads of information or publications in January. The website continues to be a valuable resource for our constituents. Appendix A lists the publications that have been recently posted on the website since the last Authority Board meetings.

C. FSGU Support Efforts

Upon request, R&A staff review and comment on proposed program narratives submitted by potential grantees to FSGU. The focus of R&A comments are in the areas of proposed objectives, goals, and performance measures. FSGU staff also request R&A assistance in the development of data reports for proposed programs. R&A staff continued to work with FSGU staff responsible for the VAWA and JAIBG funds to develop data reports for grantees that include the federally mandated performance measures. This effort will allow federal agencies to improve their reporting of the performance of these grant programs at the state and federal level. R&A staff has also assumed responsibility for the computerization of some program performance data and, upon FSGU request, produced program status reports and/or profiles assessing performance over a given period of time. [Table 2 (attached) presents FSGU support statistics for the latest state fiscal year quarter.]

D. Technical Assistance

R&A staff is frequently asked to provide a variety of technical assistance on extra-agency research and evaluation, and program implementation projects. Since the last Authority meeting:

- Staff continued to provide limited assistance to several third-party research projects involving studies of individuals' criminal history records.
- Staff reviewed articles submitted for publication to professional journals, including *Homicide Studies, Feminist Criminology, The Sociological Quarterly, Criminology, Justice Quarterly, Social Service Review* and *Justice Research and Policy*.
- Staff provided technical assistance to the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts Illinois
 Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (IJDAI) regarding the collection of performance
 measurement data from IJDAI pilot sites.
- Staff continued to serve on an advisory board for the National Violent Injury Statistics System (NVISS), Harvard University, and Centers for Disease Control, consulting on how to make NVISS data accessible to a practical audience.
- Staff continued to participate with and support the Illinois Attorney General's Methamphetamine Healthcare Advisory Committee's Research Working Group.

- Staff was asked to participate on the Governor's Methamphetamine Task Force.
- Staff was asked to participate in a working group created by the Illinois Attorney General to explore the feasibility of developing a statewide, web-based application to collect and track data related to purchases of pseudoephedrine.
- Staff was asked to participate in a working group created by the Illinois Department of Human Services' Statewide Epidemiological Workgroup to explore the feasibility of developing a statewide methamphetamine data warehouse.
- Staff continued to participate with and support the Southern Illinois Methamphetamine Awareness Conference.
- Staff continued to serve on the Illinois Methamphetamine Advisory Panel, a joint project of the Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Attorney's Office, Illinois Attorney General's Office, Illinois State Police, Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board, Illinois Sheriff's Association, Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, and Illinois Drug Officer's Association to discuss the growing threat of Methamphetamine abuse in Illinois.
- Staff continued to serve on the Advisory Committee of the Illinois Violent Death Reporting System, a joint project of the City of Chicago Mayor's Office, the city's Department of Public Health, Illinois Department of Public Health, Chicago Police Department, and Cook County Medical Examiner's Office to develop better data regarding violent deaths in Illinois. Data collection has been completed for 2005 in the three participating counties. The next meeting of the Advisory Committee in December 6th.
- The SSN (Social Support Network scale, developed by the CWHRS project) has been accepted for inclusion in an archive of scales, the HaPI (Health and Psychosocial Instruments) database. Staff has been working with the Department of Human and Community Development at the University of Illinois, the Harvard Medical School, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, and the Department of Human and Community Development at University of Illinois, Urbana. A graduate student at Loyola University Chicago is writing a dissertation proposal on the SSN, using the CWHRS data.
- Staff continued to advise users of the Chicago Homicide Dataset and the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study dataset, both of which are archived in the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data.
- Staff continued to provide technical assistance to the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence, in their annual Homicide Report.
- Staff continue to serve on the multi-state advisory board for the National Institute of Justice supported research project entitled "Evaluation of Multijurisdictional Task Forces-Phase II," an evaluation being conducted by Abt and Associates, which includes the states of Colorado, Tennessee, and Georgia.

E. Balanced and Restorative Justice Trainings:

Staff continues to plan seminars to give juvenile justice practitioners, policymakers, counselors, and treatment providers the tools they need to incorporate the balanced and restorative justice (BARJ) philosophy and its practices into juvenile substance abuse treatment to maximize the potential for rehabilitation. Topics include: delivering restorative substance abuse treatment, using BARJ to maximize offender rehabilitation potential, helping juvenile meth offenders, imparting empathy with victim impact panels, and the benefits and implementation of juvenile drug courts.

Staff held a series of BARJ trainings this quarter: Victim Offender Mediation, October 2-6, and Peacemaking Circles, October 23-27. Family Group Conferencing was held November 13-16. The trainings took place at the Eastland Suites Hotel and Conference Center in Urbana, IL.

F. Deaths in Custody Reporting

The Deaths in Custody Reporting Act (DICRA) (P.L. 106-297, effective Oct. 13, 2000) requires states to compile and report quarterly to the U.S. Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) the number of deaths, and the circumstances surrounding the deaths, of people in local jails, state prisons, juvenile correctional facilities, and law enforcement custody. Until recently, the information requested by BJS was limited to deaths in local jails, state prisons, and state juvenile facilities. Collection of DICRA information has been expanded to include deaths that occur while a person is in police custody or in the process of arrest. Information on deaths that occur while a person is in police custody will supplement the annual data on prison inmate deaths that BJS already receives from the Illinois Department of Corrections as part of the National Prisoners Statistics Program and the National Corrections Reporting Program. R&A staff began in July 2004 collecting specific information requested by BJS for all deaths in Illinois that occur while the person is in police custody or in the process of arrest by local, county, and state law enforcement agencies regardless of cause of death. For reporting purposes, the data include the following:

- o Deaths occurring when an individual is in the physical custody, or under the physical restraint, of law enforcement officers, even if the person was not formally under arrest.
- o Deaths that occur by natural causes, while in the physical custody, or under the physical restraint, of law enforcement officers, even if the person was not formally under arrest.
- o Those killed by any use of force by law enforcement officers prior to booking
- o People who died at a crime/arrest scene or medical facility prior to booking.
- o Deaths occurring in transit to or from law enforcement facilities.
- o Deaths of those confined in lockups or booking centers (facilities from which arrestees are usually transferred within 72 hours and not held beyond arraignment).

Retrospective summary data on deaths in law enforcement custody during the period of January 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 were submitted to BJS in the fall of 2004. Since then, staff has been reporting quarterly data on death in law enforcement custody to the Bureau of Justice Statistics.

G. Web-based training curriculum (Breeze)

Staff continues to explore development of a web-based application that will serve as a medium to users to present interactive training curricula for criminal justice practitioners, social service professionals, and the general public.

III. NEW PROJECTS

Web-based Application for methamphetamine precursor purchase reporting

Staff is participating in an initiative convened by the Illinois Attorney General's office to develop a web-based application to allow the reporting of pseudoephedrine purchases from retail vendors across the state.

IV. GRANT PROPOSALS

R&A staff routinely pursues discretionary grants to support data collection, research, and evaluation activities. Frequently these projects involve collaborations with universities and/or other criminal justice agencies.

<u>Train the Trainer on Elder Abuse</u>. Staff is working with the Chicago Department on Aging and the Chicago Police Department to support their application for funding to increase training of police officers about elder abuse. ICJIA is offering our Breeze capabilities to assist with the sustainability of the project.

V. CONTINUING STAFF DEVELOPMENT and TRAINING

- Staff continues to conduct and/or take part in a variety of staff development and training programs and projects. These include: (a) observations/site visits to several key criminal justice agencies; (b) peer review process for project development and pre-publication; (c) partnerships with the academic community; (d) training classes including basic SPSS use and the use of mapping software. Most recently, staff attended an in-house training on InfoNet, the reporting and database system that a number of victim service agencies in Illinois utilize.
- Several R&A staff are actively pursuing advanced academic degrees in graduate programs and post-graduate programs. Some also serve as adjunct faculty in criminal justice and other social science programs.
- Internship program. Under the direct supervision of a senior staff member in the Research and Analysis Unit, interns have been hired to perform a variety of information functions relating to critical issues facing the Illinois criminal justice system. These might include, for example, assembling data for analysis and writing a summary of results, developing data collection instruments and collecting data, writing press releases or editing documents for publication, converting spreadsheet data to web-friendly formats, assisting with the development of on-line training, staffing committees, or other tasks as appropriate. There is no compensation for these positions, but interns may be able to use the experience as course credit. A summary of the participating interns is attached under Table 3.

Cc: Lori G. Levin Hank Anthony

Appendix A

Publications

Research Bulletins

Examining trends and data on incarcerated youth in Illinois (January, 2007)

Examining incarceration trends among minority youth in Illinois (January, 2007)

Audit shows improvement in record accuracy, timeliness, completeness (December, 2006)

Research Reports

Redeploy Illinois – An Evaluation of the St. Clair County and Peoria County Sites (January 2007)

Juvenile Justice System and Risk Factor Data: The 2004 Annual Report (February 2007)

TABLE 1. Information Request Handling Statistics State Fiscal Year

		State Fiscal	l Cai	CECOND	
ITEM	THIRD QUARTER 1/1-3/31/2006	FOURTH QUARTER 4/1-6/30/ 2006	FIRST QUARTER 7/1-9/30/ 2006	SECOND QUARTER 10/1-12/31/ 2006	FISCAL YEAR TO DATE
Information	259	256	186	257	926
requests handled:	237	230	100	231	920
Monthly average number of requests:	87	85	62	86	77
Pct of requests completed within two days:	85%	85%	88%	92%	90%
Geographic Origin of requesters:					
Chicago					
metropolitan area	26%	26%	26%	29%	27%
Other region of Illinois	39%	40%	44%	48%	41%
U.S. other than Illinois	17%	13%	10%	14%	14%
Outside the U.S.	2%	<1%	2%	3%	1%
Unknown	16%	20%	18%	4%	17%
Type of requester:	270/	T			
Government	27%	210/	200/	270/	200/
agency	250/	31%	28%	37%	28%
Private citizen	35%	36%	41%	20%	38%
Private agency	20%	18%	16%	24%	17%
Researcher	9%	4%	6%	7%	8%
Student	5%	9%	6%	8%	6%
Media	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Legislators	<1%	<1%	- 10/	-	1%
Inmates	<1%	<1%	1%	1%	1%
Unknown Method of request:	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone/fax	52%	44%	48%	26%	46%
Mail	2%	2%	3%	1%	3%
Email/Internet	45%	34%	37%	44%	41%
In-person	<1%	-	1%	2%	1%
ICJIA Website	12%	9%	11%	27%	10%
Publications disseminated:		•			
Mailed in response to requests	4,229	5,230	2,744	3,866	4,542
Downloaded from Website	145,059	262,347	123,661	259,341	159,181
Total	149,288	267,765	126,405	263,207	163,770

TABLE 2. FSGU Support Requested: Statistics

	PROGRAM	Second Quarter Oct- Dec. 2006		
Activities Requested by Federal and State Grants Unit		REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING
PROGRAM NARRATIVE	ADAA	2	2	0
REVIEW	JAIBG	-	-	-
	VOCA/VAWA	0	0	0
	MVTPC	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-
	Total	2	2	0
DATA REPORT DEVELOPMENT	ADAA	1	1	0
	JAIBG	-	-	-
	VOCA/VAWA	0	0	0
	MVTPC	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-
	Total	1	1	0
DATA REPORT ENTRY	ADAA	79	79	0
(Number of projects for which	JAIBG	-	-	-
monthly/quarterly data reports	VOCA/VAWA	Not applicable		
were computerized)	MVTPC	21	21	0
	Other: MEG/TF	20	20	0
	Total	120	120	0
PROJECT STATUS REPORT	ADAA	-	-	-
(Number of assessments completed)	JAIBG	-	-	-
	VOCA/VAWA	-	-	-
	MVTPC	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-
	Total		-	-
PROGRAM PROFILE	ADAA	-	-	-
(Number of profiles)	JAIBG	-	-	-
	VOCA/VAWA	0	-	2
	MVTPC	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-
	Total	0	0	0

Table. 3 Intern Summary: ICJIA Research and Analysis Unit updated 11/8/2006

Name	School/Major/Level	Date(s)/Project/Supervisor(s)/Evaluation
Takeisha M. Shanklin	BA Sociology/Criminology Northern IL Univ.; MA expected May 2006, Sociology/ Criminology Northern IL Univ.	6/16/2005 to 8/15/2005. Karen Levy McCanna and Bob Bauer. Worked on InfoNet and the IIJIS Summit. Did a paper for her internship; we requested a copy but she never supplied it.
Susan George	BA Social Ecology & CJ, UC Irvine; MS CJ, Calif. State Univ., Long Beach, May 2000. Work history in law. Goals: "Having been out of the workforce for a few years, I wanted to hone my research skills."	9/13/2005 to 12/1/2005. Phil Stevenson. Very positive exit interview. Met her goals. Most favorable: "Being allowed to work on a very interesting project and allowed access to a wide range of data and information. It was also great to be allowed to participate in the staff meetings and present a paper at the brown bag luncheon."
Sarah Miltimore	BS 1980 UI Champaign; MA 2000 Harris School of Public Policy; UC, PhD 1993 Northwestern. Researcher at Chapin Hall and Harris School since 7/2000. Goal: "I wanted to learn some of the technical aspects of data bases."	9/27/2005 to 3/8/2006. Karen Levy McCanna. Very positive exit interview. Exceeded her goals. "I now have a knowledge of the nuts and bolts of one system -CHRI - and this not only helps with the specifics of using rap sheets in research but also gives me a template for understanding other databases."
Edward T. McCann, Jr.	BA Dec. 2004 Chicago State Univ. MS in Criminal Justice expected July 2006, Chicago State University. Goal: "To apply what I've learned during my academic career and integrate it with direct experience in a criminal justice setting."	5/30/2006 to 7/27/2006. Sharyn Adams. Very positive exit interview. Exceeded his expectations. "I had the opportunity to learn things that a classroom cannot offer. I worked in the field and was hands-on with research data collection."
Christopher Bojar	BS Carnegie Mellon Univ. Dec 2002; current student at John Marshall, Information Technology & Privacy Law, expected Jan 2007	Interviewed May 16, 2006 with Jack Cutrone, hired as unpaid intern under Jack's direction.

	Senior at UI Urbana, major in sociology, planning	June 6, 2006 to August 8, 2006. Exceeded her
	on entering law school. Goal: "to learn more about	expectations. Best part: "Feeling that the work I am
	how research is done outside of a school setting, as	helping with will actually benefit the state of Illinois."
	well as how research is done in a government	Overall: "I thought this internship was great. The work
Erin Hogan	setting."	became slightly repetitive after awhile, but even then it
		was still more interesting than what a lot of other
		people I know do at their internships. Overall, I learned
		a lot about research and just criminal justice as a whole
		and this internship was very valuable."
	BS, psychology, Southern IL. Univ. Current	June 6, 2006 to August 23, 2006. Applied for and was
	master's student in Community Counseling at	hired for paid internship. "2" on "challenging"; 3 or 4
	Eastern IL Univ. Classes on justice and criminal	on everything else. Met expectations. "Learned to use a
	behavior. Current internship in juvenile detention.	new program used in research (Access). I was
Jessica Craig	Goal: "Real world application of statistical theory."	disappointed that I was unable to run analysis." Would
		like to improve: "An introduction explaining the
		research project and who the project was in
		collaboration with." "Better or more communication
		among all persons involved in the project."
	Undergrad at Northeastern; Justice Studies major;	Unpaid internship, August 31, 2006 to December 4,
Carrie George	has worked at a shelter entering InfoNet data.	2006. Supervisor Jennifer Hiselman. Has been working
	Goals: She is "drawn to research; looking for more	on InfoNet, primarily analyzing InfoNet data and
	structured research experience, which is weak at NE	writing up findings, also handling other InfoNet tasks
	Univ."	such as testing and revising the training manual.
	BS and current master's student at DePaul in	Interview August 9, 2006. Unpaid internship September
Courtney Doornbos	Sociology. Has interned at CC Juvenile Probation.	12, 2006 to November 15, 2006. The internship will
	Goals: "Practical experience in research; grad	serve as a portion of her graduation requirement.
	school credit; interest in research on probation,	Working on data collection and data entry for the
	recidivism, substance use/ abuse."	Evidence-Based Practices evaluation.

Melissa Halik	Sophomore at DePaul, Political Science major, Sociology minor. Wants a career as a forensic psychologist. Currently interning at the Chicago Crime Commission.	Interviewed 8/2/2006, and offered an internship. She was unable to begin immediately, and asked for the internship to be deferred to March, 2006. We agreed. She will work with Sharyn Adams on the Evidence-Based Practices evaluation.		
Melissa A. Ray	BA, Northern IL Univ., second-year grad student at UIC in CJ. Goal: "Gain useful experience for employment and resume." Interested in "urban crime, cultural variations on crime."	Interviewed 8/2/2006. Unpaid internship October 9, 2006 to December 2006. Working on data collection, data entry, and data cleaning for the Evidence-Based Practices evaluation.		
Wendy Lewin-Gladney	BA, Adrian College, Political Science and French; MA, Sociology, Northern Illinois University. Desires to gain hands-on experience relevant to her coursework.	Interview 10/24/06 for paid internship. Offered the position; begins November 16. Supervisor will be Sharyn Adams. Tasks will include data collection for the Evidence-Based Practices project, data entry and some report writing.		
Teresa Fic	Senior at Lewis University, major in psychology, minor in criminal justice. The internship will serve as a portion of her graduation requirement.	Interviewed 9/29/2006. Unpaid internship from October 10, 2006 to January 2007. Supervisor Christine Devitt. Assigned to Uniform Conviction Information Act (UCIA) mail survey. She will devise the law enforcement sample, tabulate results, conduct follow-up phone call, help write up findings for presentation to Authority Board.		



Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Christopher Schweda

Acting Associate Director, IT Unit

Date: February 26, 2007

Re: Information Systems Unit Report

The following highlights the work performed by Information Systems Unit since the last Authority meeting.

The InfoNet System

One hundred and eight domestic violence and sexual assault programs and 16 child advocacy centers currently access InfoNet from nearly 200 sites throughout the state. Since the Authority last met, the InfoNet team continued to improve the efficiency and performance of the system for current users. Some specific accomplishments during the past quarter follow.

Staff continued to provide technical assistance and training to InfoNet users. One new user training was conducted in Chicago on February 27th for sexual assault centers. Another training was conducted in Chicago on February 13th that focused on how to improve the integrity of data entered into the system. In addition, two User Advisory Group meetings were convened in Bloomington during the report period. Staff also provided a one-day workshop in Wheaton on January 18th designed to show sexual assault program supervisors and directors how to use InfoNet to track and report grant-specific information and how to utilize InfoNet data for caseload management, staff supervision, and program development.

The InfoNet team recently purchased and upgraded InfoNet with a new web server that has improved the overall performance of the system for users.

InfoNet staff implemented a new reporting utility for all users. This utility allows centers to extract client records that have unknown or missing intake information, thereby increasing users' capacity to maintain complete and accurate information.

Two researchers from Loyola University Chicago recently completed an in-depth analysis of more than eight years of InfoNet data collected by domestic violence programs. They submitted a draft report in February that is now under review by ICJIA staff, as well as staff from the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Illinois Department Human Services. This report yields patterns and trends identified

among clients served, services received, and client interactions with court and medical systems. This will assist local programs and state agencies with identifying service gaps and underserved populations.

Systems Support Quarterly Report

Systems support continues its technical support to the agency internal users along with the support of the agency local and wide area networks. Maintaining and updating the existing systems remains the top priority. Continuously, technical resources are being used to troubleshoot servers and computers hardware.

The agency purchased two new servers for CLARIS project. They are replacing the current old HP (Hewlett Packard) servers. Our ISU staff has already placed them on the racks in the computer room and researches a proper power supply unit to be purchased to connect the servers to our LAN (local area network). We also replaced our eight years old scanner with the newest HP model.

The Adobe Breeze (Connect) software had been updated with a newer version and installed on the web server.

We purchased antispyware software SpySweeper from Webroot Company. The Enterprise version runs from an application server to support all the agency workstations. We also have been revising and constricting permissions to folders and files on our network.

We can report a progress in our endeavor to lease from HP Company 46 new workstations for agency users. The contract has been approved and we expect shipment of the 46 workstations in the next several weeks. The new workstations should significantly enhance productivity for individual Authority users.

The Chri-Audit database server has increased significantly. It is stored and accessed on a new database server purchased for Chri-Audit program.

Also ISU staff provided the necessary information in the application and technical survey requested by ITBA (IT Board of Advisors) for IT requirements project of shared services phase II strategic plan.

IPSAN Transition Planning:

The Operations staff is actively working with Tech-Win Inc. on the transition of the ALERTS, ALECS and PIMS systems to the Illinois Public Safety Agency Network (IPSAN). This is an intricate process and very time consuming. A detailed inventory must be taken of all lines, circuits, licenses, hardware, software and the creation of a procedure is underway to systematically move everything to the IPSAN location.

ISU staff is working closely with IPSAN to identify the funding source for all IT equipment in order to determine whether the equipment stays at the Authority or goes with IPSAN as they transition out of the Authority's office space. Several meetings

between the Authority and IPSAN have already occurred and will continue to occur on a regular basis.

The Authority's Grant System

The ISU department continues to pilot a new Grant Management Information System. The Pennsylvania Crime Commission Division (PCCD) developed an SQL, browser based, Grant system with 4.5 million Federal dollars. The Authority has executed a Memorandum of Understanding to receive this product at no charge to the Authority. This new Egrant software product could be used as a statewide solution to Grant processing.

We are currently in the process of training individual staff members in the Grant Department and are examing the source code that we've received from Pennsylvania. ISU staff is working to develop a customized version of the system based on the source code.





Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Herbert Johnson

IIJIS Project Manager

Date: February 13, 2007

Re: Illinois Integrated Justice Information System Project Update

November 2006 through February 2007

Since the last report to Authority members, progress has been made in the following areas of the Illinois Integrated Justice Information Systems (IIJIS) Project:

Tactical planning efforts

• With the departure of Col. Ken Bouche from the Illinois State Police, Executive Director Lori G. Levin, chair of the Implementation Board has temporarily assumed the role of chair of the Planning & Policy Committee. Col. Michael R. Snyders, Illinois State Police Deputy Director for the Information & Technology Command has agreed to serve as a cochair for this committee. The Planning & Policy Committee met December 15, 2006 and is deliberating over the best strategy for the development of a Mid-Level Plan. The process begins with a review and update of the Strategic Plan. Additionally, the committee assessed the work being performed by its various subcommittees and approved the Privacy Policy Guidance Volume 1 for submission to the Implementation Board.

Outreach efforts

- On November 22nd & 23rd, members of the Outreach Committee and the IIJIS Project
 Manager staffed an exhibit booth at the conference of Illinois Association of County
 Officials. The conference provided an excellent opportunity to present the IIJIS initiative
 to county officials throughout the state the may have been unaware of the project. It also
 served as a vehicle for recruiting additional IIJIS Champions. These are individuals who
 can help promote the IIJIS initiative in their jurisdictions.
- The Summit Planning Subcommittee and its workgroups have been meeting to set plans into action for the upcoming spring 2007 Summit to be held in Springfield. The Finance Workgroup met on February 5th and developed a preliminary budget for the summit. This committee is seeking grant support from the Authority to assist with some of the summit funding needs. The Program Development Workgroup met February 6th and put together a draft program agenda for the summit. The full Summit Planning Committee met on

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February 8th, and presented these plans to the chair of the Outreach Committee, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Dorothy Brown. Clerk Brown added her input and suggestions and directed the subcommittees to continue their planning. Additionally, the presentations from the previous summit are available on the IIJIS website.

Coordinated funding efforts

- The IIJIS Funding Committee met on December 12, 2006 to finalize its short-, mid- and long-term goals and objectives. The Funding Committee also is seeking an active role in the upcoming summit, to assist counties and jurisdictions in their integration fundraising efforts.
- IIJIS has completed the final report due to the National Governor's Association for the grant received from them to support the development of the Privacy Policy Guidance.

Development and adoption of data exchange standards

• The Technical Committee met on December 5, 2006 to discuss and approve the presentation for the adoption of data exchange standards. The committee agreed to adopt the Global Justice XML Data Model (GJXDM) as the foundation for standardized data exchanges throughout Illinois. The committee also affirmed that the Illinois Electronic Fingerprint Submission Specification (EFSS) is the standard used by livescan vendors to correctly format the data record, attach the appropriately compressed fingerprints and connect to the Illinois Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) to properly transmit in the data packet. The EFSS extends the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Electronic Fingerprint Transmission Specification (EFTS) which contains standards such as basic data formatting, fingerprint compression standards and imaging standards for electronic mug shots. The (EFSS) is the standard for the state of Illinois.

Privacy policy development efforts

- *Privacy Policy Guidance, Volume 1* was approved by the Planning & Policy Committee at its December 15, 2006 meeting. It will be presented to the full Implementation Board at its next meeting.
- Privacy Policy Subcommittee has postponed its consideration of data quality issues surrounding integrated justice information systems in light of the Global Privacy and Information Quality Working Group's efforts to develop guidance materials in this area.
- In early January 2007, Mr. Wil Nagel, one of the primary staff assigned to the IIJIS initiative and specifically the Privacy Policy development left the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority for a new opportunity within state government.



Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Brian Brosnan

Date: February 13, 2007

Re: Summary of Human Resources Activities

The following highlights the work performed by Illinois Criminal Justice Information Human Resources Unit since the last Authority meeting.

Recruitment, Screening and Hiring

Electronic Personnel Action Requests (EPARs) are being processed to fill funded headcount vacancies. All information, with the initiation of the personnel requisition to the final candidate selection, is posted on the system. It allows for highly accurate and efficient hire tracking while eliminating the paper transfer.

- Ran background and fingerprint checks on all new employees & interns
- Worked bid lists for all posted bargaining unit positions
- Awaiting approval for several ePARS (approval to hire) regarding current vacancies
- Posted employment opportunity notifications via the ICJIA web site, CMS, and various other entities
- Formulating a recruitment plan for underutilized Affirmative Action categories. This is an agency initiative.

Employee Benefits

- Wrapping up the transfer of commuting savings program from WageWorks to Fringe Benefits Manage deductions for staff enrolled in this transportation benefit
- Provided staff with disability and family leave information. Processed all related medical/administrative paperwork
- Tracked ongoing leaves
- Processed several Deferred Compensation transactions
- Processed and distributed Savings Bonds for employees
- Assisting employees with questions regarding their SERS status and/or reciprocal benefits

Salaries & Compensation

- Assisted in continued bi-monthly payroll processing for 65 employees
- Issued time balance reports monthly to payroll and contractual employees
- Continued to check timesheets of federally funded employees for correct time certification reports
- Tracking balances of employees who do not qualify for overtime under FLSA and receive Equivalent Earned Time (EET) as of July 1, 2005.
- Assisted in the payment of temporary assignment pay due to the vacancies
- Implemented and started to disperse Merit Compensation increases starting January 1, 2007

Equal Employment Opportunities

- Met and was trained by representative from Dept. of Human Rights
- Submitted yearly EEO report for FY2006 and the second quarterly report for FY2007
- FY2007 Affirmative Action Plan was approved
- Training will be ongoing for Affirmative Action Planning for our agency in order to meet and attain our hiring goals

Staff Development & Training

- Supervisory/Management Staff completing Interview and Selection (RUTAN) Training
- Refresher courses were taken to recertify employees for RUTAN training
- Certified people in different computer classes
- Enrolled staff in sexual prevention training
- Continued to provide staff with development tools now available in library for use

Other Miscellaneous Projects

- Working with all unit directors to update organization charts to submit to CMS
- Working with unit directors to identify any classification issues
- Worked with CMS classifications to establish and clarify job descriptions
- Processed 3 and 6-month evaluations as well as annual evaluations for all staff

Reports

The following reports were prepared and submitted by HR staff:

• Second Quarterly EEO Report for FY2007

Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Hank Anthony

Date: February 26, 2007

Re: Office of Administrative Services (OAS) Report

The Office of Administrative Services continues to support the day-to-day operations of the Authority with: meeting/conference support (in and out of Authority space), travel arrangements (in-state and out-of-state travel), mail and supply operations, receptionist duties, security monitoring, vehicle maintenance and support, oversight of all telecommunications operations and requirements, oversight and processing of all procurements, establishing contracts for and oversight for the maintenance of all Authority equipment, database management, and resolution of office space concerns.

MEMORANDUM

To: Authority Members

From: John Chojnacki, Associate Director – Federal and State Grants Unit

Date: February 22, 2007

Subject: FFY03 Anti-Drug Abuse Act (ADAA) Plan Adjustment #13

This memo describes proposed adjustments to the FFY03 Anti-Drug Abuse Act (ADAA) Plan as illustrated in the attached Attachment A dated March 2, 2007.

RECOMMENDED DESIGNATION

Information Systems

Integrated Justice Initiatives: At the May 10, 2005 Budget Committee meeting, \$280,363 in ADAA FFY03 state-use funds were set aside for Integrated Justice Initiatives. To date, none of those funds have been expended. The Illinois Integrated Justice Information System (IIJIS) has identified an opportunity to hold a summit meeting in Springfield, Illinois in the spring of 2007. Staff recommends designating \$32,000 out of the \$280,363 ADAA FFY03 set-aside of state-use funds to IIJIS to cover expenses associated with holding the springtime summit. ADAA FFY03 funds expire on September 30, 2007, thus staff feels that this would be an appropriate use of these funds.

At this time, staff is exploring Integrated Justice projects that can be completed quickly for the remaining \$248,363 state-use funds in the set-aside. Staff recommends that the Budget Committee consider these funds for further Integrated Justice programming purposes at its next meeting, which staff anticipates will be in April.

Staff will be at the meeting to answer any questions.

ANTI-DRUG ABUSE ACT FFY03 PLAN

ATTACHMENT A - Revised 10/26/06

ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(2) Multi-Jurisdictional Task Forces

Program Title: Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Units	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
Project Title: Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Units			
Blackhawk Area Task Force	\$84,141		
Central IL Enforcement Group	\$167,787		
DuPage County MEG	\$182,031		
DuPage County MEG (Expansion) - 21 months	\$69,477		
East Central IL Task Force	\$123,963		
East Central IL Task Force (Expansion) - 21 months	\$2,750		
Joliet MANS	\$174,555		
Kankakee MEG	\$188,413		
Lake County MEG	\$339,011		
Lake County MEG (Expansion) - 21 months	\$76,500		
Southern IL Drug Task Force	\$251,551		
Southern Il Drug Task Force (Expansion) - 21 months	\$145,135		
Multi-County MEG	\$88,974		
Multi-County MEG (Expansion) - 21 months	\$93,471		
North Central Narcotic Task Force	\$174,540		
North Central Narcotic Task Force (Expansion) - 21 months	\$75,180		
Quad-Cities MEG	\$39,869		
Quad-Cities MEG (Expansion) - 21 months	\$253,187		
SLANT Task Force	\$148,874		
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force	\$102,341		
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force (Expansion) - 21 months	\$133,091		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$167,503		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force (Expansion) - 25 months	\$81,618		
Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Ill.	\$584,497		
Southern Illinois Enforcement Group	\$178,122		
Zone 3 / LaSalle Task Force	\$73,292		
Zone 3 / LaSalle Task Force (Expansion) 24 months	\$102,754	\$51,377	(\$51,377)
Vermilion County MEG	\$179,476		
Vermilion County MEG (Expansion) - 21 months	\$57,603		
West Central IL Task Force	\$165,362		
West Central IL Task Force (Expansion) - 21 months	\$110,597		
Zone 6 Task Force	\$80,132		
Zone 6 Task Force (Expansion) - 21 monhts	\$75,521		
Zone 3 / LaSalle Task Force (Expansion) 24 months	<i>\$0</i>	\$51,377	\$51,377
Program Title: Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Prosecution Program			
Project Title: Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Prosecution Program	#105.510		
DuPage County State's Attorney's Office	\$195,519		
Kane County State's Attorney's Office	\$179,959		
Lake County State's Attorney's Office	\$256,072		
McHenry County State's Attorney's Office	\$104,242		
Office of the State's Attorneys' Appellate Prosecutor	\$548,801		
St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office	\$132,191		
Will County State's Attorney's Office	\$165,660		

INITIAL AMENDED

\$1,274,992

AMOUNT DIFFERENCE

Project Title: Complex Drug Prosecutions

Cook County State's Attorney's Office

ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(4)
Community Crime Prevention

Program Title: Community Violence Prevention

Project Title: CeaseFire

Illinois Violence Prevention Authority \$600,000

Project Title: Crimes Against Seniors Program

Illinois State Police \$213,113

ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(7)(A) Improving Operational Effectiveness

Program Title: Specialized Training

Project Title: Law Enforcement Training

Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board \$0

Project Title: Judicial Training

Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts \$25,000

Project Title: Sex Offender Management Training

Illinois Department of Corrections \$60,000

Project Title: Meth Training

Illinois Attorney General's Office \$18,250

Project Title: Meth Summit

Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority \$2,057

Program Title: Risk Assessment

Project Title: Improve Juvenile Risk Assessment

Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts - 8 months \$0

Program Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety

Project Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety

Chicago Police Department \$150,000

Project Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety

TBD \$498,851

ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(8)
Drug and Violent Offender Prosecution

Program Title: Specialized Prosecution Initiatives

Project Title: Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project

Office of the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor - 24 months \$710,700

ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(10) Operational Effectiveness of the Court

Program Title: Specialized Defense Initiatives	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
Project Title: Defense Services			
Office of the State Appellate Defender - 9 months	\$142,000		
Office of the Macon County Public Defender	\$101,250		
Office of the Winnebago County Public Defender - 24 months	\$106,500		
Office of the Kankakee County Public Defender - 24 monhts	\$97,000		
Office of the Champaign County Public Defender - 24 months	\$89,614		
Office of the Will County Public Defender	\$35,250		
Office of the Lake County Public Defender	\$62,250		
Project Title: Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project	#225 (10		
Office of the State Appellate Defender	\$235,610		
Program Title: Specialized Defense Training			
Project Title: Statewide Public Defender Training			
Office of the State Appellate Defender - 9 months	\$30,000		
ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(1	11)		
Post Conviction Correctional Re	esources		
Program Title: Correctional Initiatives			
Project Title: Community-Based Residential Treatment for Adults			
Illinois Department of Corrections - 10 months	\$402,344		
Project Title: Young Offender Re-entry Program	4.50 0 .00		
Illinois Department of Corrections - 9 months	\$528,680		
Project Title: Community-based Transitional Services for Female Offender	rs		
Illinois Department of Corrections - 10 months	\$333,333		
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Program Title: Specialized Corrections Tranining			
Project Title: Corrections Hostage/Crisis Training			
Illinios Department of Corrections	\$0		
ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(1 Inmate Skills Developmen	,		
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Program Title: Vocational Training Facility Development			
Project Title: Pere Marquette Vocational Facility Development			
Illinois Department of Corrections	\$0		
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ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(15)(B) Information Systems

Program Title: Information Systems	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE	
<u>Project Title: Gang Information Exchange Database</u> Chicago Police Department - 24 months	\$1,339,000	111100111	2222	
Project Title: Videotaped Confessions and Eyewitness ID Training Illinois State Police	\$329,558			
Project Title: Integrated Justice Initiatives TBD Illinois Integrated Justice Information System	\$280,363 \$0	\$248,363 \$32,000	(\$32,000) \$32,000	
Program Title: Criminal History Records Improvement	**	+ - -, · · · ·	,, ,,,,,	
Project Title: Audit Plan Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	\$225,000			
Project Title: ISP eAFIS Upgrade Illinois State Police	\$88,325			
Project Title: ISP Mobile Data Computer Systems Illinois State Police	\$17,951			
Project Title: LiveScan Chicago Police Department	\$629,222			
ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(1 Innovative Programs	6)			
Program Title: Innovative Jail-based Initiatives				
Project Title: Jail-based Mental Health Services Illinois Department of Human Services	\$375,000			
ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(1) Evaluation Programs	9)			
Program Title: Evaluation				
Project Title: Drug Strategy Impact Evaluation Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority	\$1,265,000			
ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(2 Alternatives to Detention				
Program Title: Probation Initiatives				
Project Title: Juvenile Probation Programs Cook County Juvenile Probation - 6 months Rock Island County Probation - 14 months DeKalb County Juvenile Probation	\$0 \$54,075 \$0			
Project Title: Juvenile Reporting Centers Tazewell County Probation Department - 12 months First Judicial Circuit	\$70,000 \$105,000			

	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
Project Title: Innovative Probation Initiatives			
Will County - 24 months	\$140,000		
Christian County - 4th Judicial Circuit	\$144,375		
Tazewell County - 10th Judicial Circuit - 24 months	\$206,000		
Lee County - 24 months	\$103,310		
Kane Couty - 24 months	\$100,000		
Ford County - 24 months	\$92,400		
Project Title: Community-based Transitional Services for Female Offende Lake County Madison County Cook County Social Services Cook County Adult Probation	\$11,333 \$0 \$78,899 \$64,812		

ADAA PURPOSE 501 (b)(28) Child Abuse Prevention

Program Title: Educational Programs

Project Title: Child Lures Prevention School Program

Illinois State Police \$106,878

ADAA PURPOSE UNALLOCATED Unallocated Funds

Unallocated

Undesignated Local CHRI	\$0
Undesignated State CHRI	\$0
Undesignated Local	\$49,223
Undesignated State	\$15,026

ADAA PURPOSE 99 Administration Funds

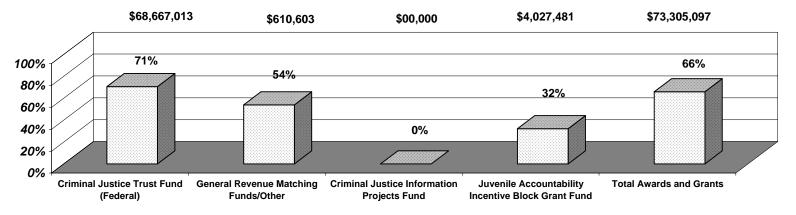
Administration

Administration Funds \$1,248,647

TOTAL \$19,209,953

Exhibit #2 - Awards & Grants Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority FY 2007 Expenditures/Obligations

July 1, 2006 - December 31, 2006



Federal Assistance Support State Agencies Locals/Non-Profit Orgs. Misc. Awards/Grants Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives Shared Services Total

% of Appropriation (less Reserve):

Federal Assistance Support State Agencies Locals/Non-Profit Orgs. Misc. Awards/Grants Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives Shared Services Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Total % of Appropriation (less Reserve):

Crin	Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)						Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund		
	Expenditures/			Expenditures/			Expenditures/		
Appropriation	Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Reserve	Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Obligations	Balance
\$5,800,00	\$1,353,519	\$4,446,481	\$810,000	\$0	\$510,721	\$299,279			
\$12,000,00	\$7,852,541	\$4,147,459							
\$37,000,00	\$23,154,113	\$13,845,887							
\$1,700,00	\$174,927	\$1,525,073	\$150,000	\$0	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
\$40,000,00	\$36,017,950	\$3,982,051							
\$700,00	\$113,963	\$586,037	\$170,700	\$0	\$24,882	\$145,818			
\$97,200,00	\$68,667,013	\$28,532,987	\$1,130,700	\$0	\$610,603	\$520,097	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
	71%	29%			54%	46%		0%	100%

Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund			Total				
	Expenditures/				Expenditures/		
Appropriation	Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Reserve	Obligations	Balance	
			\$6,610,000	\$0	\$1,864,240	\$4,745,760	
			\$12,000,000	\$0	\$7,852,541	\$4,147,459	
			\$37,000,000	\$0	\$23,154,113	\$13,845,887	
			\$2,250,000	\$0	\$249,927	\$2,000,073	
			\$40,000,000	\$0	\$36,017,950	\$3,982,051	
\$100,000	\$69,294	\$30,706	\$970,700	\$0	\$208,139	\$762,561	
\$12,440,000	\$3,958,187	\$8,481,813	\$12,440,000	\$0	\$3,958,187	\$8,481,813	
\$12,540,000	\$4,027,481	\$8,512,519	\$111,270,700	\$0	\$73,305,097	\$37,965,604	
	32%	68%			66%	34%	