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Regular Authority Meeting
Friday, March 6, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.
300 W. Adams
Chicago

AGENDA

- Call to Order and Roll Call
- 1. Approval of the Minutes of December 5, 2008 Regular Meeting
- Chairman's Remarks
- 2. Executive Director's Remarks
- 3. Budget Committee Report (*Eugene E. Murphy Jr. Chair*)
 - a. Report on February 19, 2009 Budget Committee Meeting
 - b. Budget Committee Meeting
 - c. Fiscal Report
- Jail Data Link (*Dr. Anderson Freeman, Kathy Knee, Dr. David Grunenfelder*)
- Adjourn

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY

December 5, 2008, 9:10 a.m.

300 West Adams Street
Chicago, Illinois

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairman Sheldon 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 Chairman Sorosky, other Authority Members in attendance were:

State's Attorney Anita Alvarez
Chief David Bradford
Clerk Dorothy Brown
Sheriff Thomas Dart
Ms. Barbara Engel
Ms. Cynthia Hora
Mr. Eugene E. Murphy, Jr.
Director Michael J. Pelletier
Ms. Mariyana Spyropoulos
Mr. John Z. Toscas
Director Larry G. Trent

Approval of Minutes of September 5, 2008 Regular Meeting

With a quorum in place, Chairman Sorosky asked for a motion to adopt the minutes of the last Authority Meeting.

{Mr. Toscas moved that the minutes of the September 5, 2008 Authority Meeting be adopted. Ms. Spyropoulos seconded the motion and it was adopted by unanimous voice vote.}

Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Sorosky welcomed Board Members, particularly new Board Members State's Attorney Anita Alvarez, and the Attorney General's Designee Cynthia Hora. He added that Ellen Mandeltort, Ms. Hora's predecessor, became a judge, and recalled knowing her and State's Attorney Alvarez when they were young lawyers. He then asked that resolutions of commendation for Richard Devine, Norbert Goetten and Ellen Mandeltort as outgoing Board Members be approved.

{Mr. Toscas moved that the resolutions be adopted, with Ms. Engel seconding the motion, which was approved unanimously by voice vote.}

Executive Director's Remarks

Chairman Sorosky then called upon Executive Director Lori G. Levin for her remarks. Ms. Levin stated that she has been in her position for five years and that as in the past, rather than repeat items in the Board materials, she would highlight some issues.

She said that although she has mentioned the return of Ted Miller previously, on a personal basis she wanted to say once more how happy she was that he is in good health and able to rejoin the Authority again as the Authority's Chief Fiscal Officer. Director Levin remarked that while the budget process can be challenging, and it is unknown exactly what is going to happen with the Authority's General Revenue, the budget preparation has been the easiest in a number of years with Mr. Miller's assistance. She welcomed Mr. Miller back and thanked him.

Director Levin then discussed several other personnel matters. She reported that Brian Brosnan, the Authority's Associate Director for Human Resources, left to enter private industry. She said that some candidates have been interviewed, with an individual close to being selected and that she hopes the position will be filled the beginning of the new year. Next, she mentioned that Kim Burke, who played a major role in the preparation of the 2008 Trends and Issues publication, is going on leave to do student teaching. She said that Ms. Burke will be missed and that it is hoped she will return as one of the Authority's juvenile justice staff.

Lastly, Director Levin again commended Ron Litwin for his outstanding work as Acting Chief Fiscal Officer, actually performing three jobs for over a year and a half. She said she wanted the Board to know that to recognize his significant contributions, Mr. Litwin was selected the Authority's Employee of the Year. Director Levin explained that normally employees are given awards quarterly, but because the Authority could not have managed without him, Mr. Litwin was selected for the year to show the Authority's appreciation.

Next, the Director gave a short funding history. She reiterated that in the past the Authority's budget had been over a hundred million dollars. She added that as reported at the last several board meetings, the federal funding situation has been grim but that there is hope with the new administration, it will be somewhat better. The Director then recapped the Justice Assistance Grants. She referred to the Byrne JAG funds or what were the Byrne anti-drug abuse funds that the Authority administered four or five years ago that totaled over \$20 million. She said the money went down to \$14.4 million, then to \$8.5 million, and the Authority was able to limit grantee cuts to 25 percent because of always operating in arrears. She added that the amount increased to \$12.4 million, leaving the Authority with some cushion.

She remarked that the Authority staff does not ask the Board to designate all of the grant money received in order to cover possible reductions such as the two-thirds cut in Byrne funds last year. She explained that essentially Congress had passed out an increase from \$550 million nationally, with the Senate voting \$660 million without earmarks, and the House voting \$600 million. The Director stated that the budget passed out at \$174 million for Byrne, after President Bush threatened a government shut down if Congress did not make certain cuts. She added that this amount translated into a little less than \$4 million for the Authority, but with the help of Domingo Herraiz, Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Authority received \$4.3 million.

She stated that no cuts were anticipated due to the Authority's budgeting in arrears, but funds were decreasing because the Authority was basically still operating under the \$8.5 million. Director Levin added that only \$1 million of the extra \$4 million was used to compensate for cuts in the victim assistance programs; thus, again no major reductions were anticipated.

She then reported that through the National Criminal Justice Association there has been extensive lobbying to restore Byrne funding, along with letters that Board Members and she have written to the Illinois congressional delegation; however, with no success. But noting some good news, she said that the restoration of Byrne funding is now being considered in the stimulus bill and that President-Elect Obama's transition team is very familiar with Byrne JAG. She recounted a positive conversation she had recently with former Assistant Attorney General Laurie Robinson, who had been in charge of the Office of Justice Programs and is part of the transition team. Director Levin remarked that when she was in law school in Washington, D.C., she met Ms. Robinson and has maintained contact with her ever since.

She stated that Ms. Robinson reached out to Elizabeth Pyke, the lobbyist for the National Criminal Justice Association, to discuss issues related to Byrne JAG. The Director also recounted a conversation she had with another individual working very closely with the President-Elect on criminal justice issues. She said the person was very interested in learning more about the decline in JAG funds from \$20 million to \$4.3, as well as the VOCA situation, and that information was being sent to him.

She added that VAWA is also an issue, but noted that since Vice-President Elect Biden wrote the Violence Against Women Act, she felt he would promote that cause. She stated that Ms. Robinson, who was less conversant about VOCA, recommended that the Authority provide some documentation on that topic. With respect to JAG funding, the Director pointed out that in Illinois it is used not only for law enforcement efforts as in other states, but also to support initiatives such as reentry projects, the Authority's research unit that addresses disproportionate minority contact, and juvenile justice programs.

She also related that at one point the Authority hoped to use Byrne JAG money for the Safety Net Works juvenile justice crime prevention program. Thus, she suggested that JAG Byrne be presented to the President-Elect as a model illustrating that Byrne JAG funding is not only crucial to law enforcement but also crucial for general criminal justice purposes, making it more broad-based. The Director stated that she is cautiously optimistic and continued to say that she will be getting in touch with as many contacts as possible who are familiar with the Authority and who know her.

After asking for questions or other ideas, the Director moved on. She reported that the Authority is in the process of planning for the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant funds and said that she will be consulting with the Chair about providing more funding in that regard. In addition, she indicated that InfoNet, the Authority's victims' assistance information system, which tracks services for many of the domestic violence agencies, children's advocacy centers, and sexual assault programs, as well as for DHS, is exploring whether service can be expanded to serve other states because it is considered a model for the nation. She said that a feasibility study is underway to make that determination.

With respect to research, she again mentioned the Safety Net Works initiative. She explained it basically includes sites throughout the state where the governor is allocating resources for juvenile crime prevention programs, primarily in the Cook County area, with one in Rockford and one downstate. The Director then mentioned Go To 2040, another of the Authority's major efforts, which represents the public safety planning by Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) and the Chicago Community Trust for the seven county northeastern Illinois area. She stated that there would be a presentation later and that the Board's input and ideas will be solicited.

The Director next covered several other upcoming activities including updates to Trends and Issues, a survey by the Illinois Integrated Justice Information System on information needs, and the next phase of addressing IIJIS privacy policy. She said that she will be meeting with State's Attorney Alvarez, and perhaps Sheriff Dart along with other individuals to help move IIJIS forward next year.

In conclusion, she asked if anyone had questions. With no response, Chairman Sorosky thanked her and introduced Eugene E. Murphy, Jr., Chairman of the Authority's Budget Committee for his report.

Budget Committee Report by Eugene E. Murphy Jr., Chairman

Mr. Murphy thanked Chairman Sorosky and said that he was happy and proud to report that the Authority has had unprecedented participation in its budget proceedings this year. He reiterated that about two years ago, all agreed to not just hold quarterly or semiannual Budget committee meetings, but to have them throughout the year. He said the Authority had the most number of meetings in the Authority's history this year. Mr. Murphy commented that by doing so, the Authority was able to get ahead of issues such as

funding cuts and address how to deal with them rather than react. He said that the Authority's mantra, doing more with less, was met.

He also reported that the Authority has had an historically unprecedented low amount of lapsed funds. He attributed this situation in large measure to the oversight of grantees by the Authority Director and her staff to hold these entities accountable. He said that the Director and her staff have been very effective in basically educating groups who are participating in Authority programs to keep current and to be responsible for the funds that they have received.

Mr. Murphy continued to say that while the newly-elected President is from Illinois, nothing should be taken for granted with respect to federal and state money and that competition for funds will still be a factor. He then indicated that, unless there were objections, he would like to continue having frequent meetings to keep aware of issues and avoid problems before they occur. Mr. Murphy concluded by stating that he thinks being flexible and having more meetings has been profitable for the Authority because it has lost less and gained more than any other similar group in Illinois.

Chairman Sorosky thanked Mr. Murphy and asked for any questions or comments. With no response, the Chairman called on Ted Miller for a fiscal report, and said that he echoed Director Levin's comments that the Authority was truly grateful for Mr. Miller's return.

Fiscal Report by Ted Miller, Chief Fiscal Officer

Saying that it was a pleasure to be back at the Authority, Mr. Miller remarked that as Budget Director for the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority for several years, he encountered different challenges and hoped that he could bring some of what he learned back to the Authority. He called attention to Exhibit 1 and 2 in the Board materials. Under Exhibit 1, he referred to General Revenue Fund operations and said that the Authority spent 15 percent of its appropriations so far mostly in salaries, retirement, and FICA expenditures. He added that historically the Authority does not start spending its General Revenue money in commodities, EDP and other items until the second or third quarter of the year.

He then moved to Exhibit 2. Covering the Criminal Justice Trust Fund, he stated that to date, 21 percent was spent to administer funds for the Authority and pay its grantees. Mr. Miller said this amount was basically in line with past expenditures at this point. Next, he discussed the General Revenue Matching Funds. He explained that 34 percent was spent because OMB had a problem with the line item last year, which the Authority corrected and had to spend some money to make up for the problem for a number of grants.

Addressing the Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund, he said no expenditures have been made at this point, and while there may be some spending later in the year, that was not anticipated. The last item he detailed was the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block

Grant Fund stating that only 9 percent was spent thus far, but that amount would increase as the year moves ahead.

In concluding his remarks, Mr. Miller reported that when he returned to the Authority, OMB requested a FY10 budget. He continued to say that OMB generally in October gives parameters for insurance, for retirement and for cuts. He said OMB's cut in General Revenue funds, like it has been every year, is 3 percent, which he indicated should not be a problem. Mr. Miller then explained the budget preparation process. He said the Authority budget, broken down by line item, is put on the on-line system to OMB, which prepares a budget bill.

He stated that in February or March, the Authority will testify at budget hearings and whenever the bill passes in April, May, June or July, the Authority will learn its budget amount. Mr. Miller mentioned that at this time, no problems are anticipated; however, he added that things can happen in Springfield that are completely out of the Authority's control, but hopefully the Authority will not experience difficulties.

Mr. Miller asked for questions or comments. Not receiving any, Chairman Sorosky thanked him for his remarks and then called on Mark Myrent for a presentation on the Go To 2040 Project.

Presentation by Mark Myrent, Dr. Dennis Rosenbaum of University of Illinois at Chicago and Dr. James Lewis of Chicago Community Trust on the Go To 2040 Project

Mark Myrent introduced the long-range planning project called Go To 2040. He explained that it is co-sponsored by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) and the Chicago Community Trust, targeting the seven county region surrounding Chicago: Cook County, the collar counties and Kendall County. He further explained that the Authority is partnering with the University of Illinois at Chicago to serve as the lead agency for the area of public safety, with parallel groups addressing other domains of public life, such as public health, transportation and food supply.

Mr. Myrent then called upon Dr. James Lewis, senior program officer for the Chicago Community Trust, for a more detailed overview of the project. Dr. Lewis stated that three years ago the Chicago Area Transportation Study and the Northeast Planning Commission were joined by state legislation into a single planning body, called the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), for the seven-county region. He said that one of its charges is to create a strategic 30-year plan for the Chicago area, which is to be put before the CMAP board in 2010. Dr. Lewis added that CMAP by its charter has designated committees that have various levels of oversight around transportation, the environment, economic development, and housing and also was charged with developing a regional indicator system, or data warehouse, to track progress toward the 30-year goals.

Dr. Lewis went on to say that the Chicago Community Trust also was interested in developing a regional indicator system. He said that since other areas were not precluded from consideration in this long-range planning initiative, the Trust approached CMAP about collaborating and adding human services topics to the discussion. Dr. Lewis remarked that subsequently planning groups working in the fields of education, health, community or human relations, arts and culture, hunger and public safety were created. He said a core agency has been commissioned in each of those areas to produce a planning document that essentially will include needs assessments for the fields, sets of goals for the future, and strategies for how the goals can actually be implemented.

Further, he said that administrative changes that might have to be made, agencies that might have to act, and everything else that would be required to carry out the plan also would be addressed. Dr. Lewis then stated that a strategic plan that incorporates all the topic areas will be adopted by the CMAP Board, becoming its official plan. He said it also would be a roadmap for how the Trust will decide on future grants, which may become a model for other foundations.

At this point Mr. Myrent explained that an Advisory Council for Crime and Justice, representing different interests and expertise in criminal justice, had assembled on October 3, 2008 to begin discussing emerging issues in the field. He then presented a PowerPoint presentation about current demographic and crime trends in the region, along with future demographic projections and possible issues that will affect the region by the year 2040. Next, he asked Dr. Dennis Rosenbaum to facilitate a discussion with the Authority Board members and gather further input into the planning process.

Dr. Rosenbaum introduced himself as a professor of criminal justice, criminology, and psychology at the University of Illinois at Chicago, and the Director of Research for Law and Justice. He asked the Board members to think beyond money and time constraints, beyond local politics, to look ahead to a safer society in 2040. He said this would include two general areas: one, the criminal justice system and what needs to be done to achieve a better administration of justice, especially in terms of efficiency, effectiveness and equity; the other, thinking 30 years ahead in terms of crime prevention.

Cynthia Hora stated that she would like to see victims addressed more in the process and that they be recognized as part of the criminal justice system. She added that the competing social needs of victims and offenders should be considered as well as the enforcement of victims' rights, making sure that they are treated with fairness, dignity and respect and that their constitutional statutory rights are honored.

Chairman Sorosky remarked that one of the problems with victims' rights is that historically there has been no institutionalized system to assert them. He continued to say that the Attorney General's Office is working diligently to try to institutionalize victims' rights, and that perhaps the Authority could become involved in formulating some type of established system whereby such action can be taken.

Ms. Hora stated she previously worked for the Alaska Office of Victims' Rights where attorneys could go into criminal court and assert the victim's rights alongside the prosecutor and defense and that there are other models around the country.

Ms. Engel then commented that in Illinois there has been victims' advocacy for the past 30 years regarding sexual assault, domestic violence, and more recently child advocacy, but that such activity is not as formalized and has not been funded commensurate with the need, adding that the Authority's original funding empowered such efforts. Ms. Engel reiterated the need to ensure that victims have a chance for visibility and justice in the system, especially as emphasized within the philosophy of Balanced and Restorative Justice in the juvenile justice system.

Ms. Engel continued to say that community-based alternatives to the formal criminal justice system for young people should be developed, both holding them accountable and also supporting their growth, to prevent a future path into prison. She stated that there is considerable interest both in Illinois and internationally regarding this approach. She also questioned whether creating a stronger and more representative criminal justice system was the only answer and stated that the Advisory Committee ought to be thinking about issues that are vastly different than just creating a better integrated system.

In agreement, Director Levin related how the participants in discussions at the first 2040 meeting reflected thinking in nontraditional terms and encouraged the Board members to "think outside the box" in this discussion.

Clerk Brown stated that she was thinking along the lines of Ms. Engel, but perhaps even further to develop systems in the community that might prevent people from committing crimes in the first place, including looking at the educational system, and other underpinnings. She added that the criminal justice system needs to be more connected to other spheres, such as mental health issues that may cause people to commit crimes. She suggested that effecting change elsewhere may have a positive impact on the criminal justice system.

The ensuing discussion included Director Trent mentioning the expanding role of technology in law enforcement, and Dr. Rosenbaum in agreement, adding that the use of increased surveillance needs to be balanced with privacy concerns.

Ms. Engel then stated that the group should look at findings of reputable studies that address creating safety in communities, and supporting ways for communities to be accountable to one another rather than relying on law enforcement to act as the disciplinarian. She suggested that not enough attention is being paid to certain bases of knowledge because of the way the criminal justice system is currently structured, which does not necessarily include an understanding of determinants to criminal behavior. Mr. Myrent remarked that the theme of community engagement has been brought up in the course of the Go To 2040 project, and requested assistance from the group to make staff aware of successful community engagement initiatives.

Ms. Engel then said that more work is needed to learn how offenders' behavior can be changed. She continued to say that for a small percentage of offenders, incarceration may be the only solution in terms of public safety, but for others, treatment could be effective and early family intervention with small children would be an ideal crime prevention strategy. Chairman Sorosky suggested that staff contact research organizations in other states to benefit from their research on these issues.

Other comments included Mr. Myrent stating that the Advisory Council had talked about going beyond educating policy makers to educating the public as well. He cited as an example the harmful effects of incarceration and the pragmatic aspects of community-based options which could be both more effective and more economical.

Dr. Lewis added that the human relations areas being addressed by the other Go To 2040 planning groups involving education, culture and arts, housing, and food supply are new to traditional regional planning. He stated that the Board discussion made it clear that the project needs to plan for a feedback network in these non-traditional CMAP areas.

Dr. Rosenbaum stated that Go To 2040 requires setting new goals and objectives and then developing measurable objectives and monitoring systems. As an example, he indicated that there is no ongoing monitoring system to measure victims' satisfaction with the criminal justice system, except for occasional one-time surveys. He added that it is unknown if doing something different to change offenders' behavior will affect victims' satisfaction and willingness to work with the system.

Ms. Engel stated there is a greater awareness that mental health and criminal justice are unfortunately more connected, and that there are barriers between social workers and police even though the same people may be in both systems.

Other issues included Ms. Spyropoulos asking if there were going to be a global dimension to this plan, in terms of how global crime such as identify theft and trafficking of people will affect trends locally. In response, Dr. Rosenbaum said that there is a definite sense that thinking needs to go beyond Illinois in order to protect Illinois, as the State Police would attest.

Dr. Lewis stated that the planning process for the crime and justice area will be the strongest, staying focused on undertakings that the people in the seven-county area can accomplish and also where it integrates the work of the other planning groups. As an example, he cited the group on economic development, which will be cognizant of how the nation and world marketplace are changing.

Ms. Engel said that the process should involve the business community, since an important part of creating a safer culture is making sure that people have a real way to make a living. She added that this is especially important once individuals have been released from prison, so that they do not turn to a street economy. She remarked that business leaders need to understand the power they have to contribute significantly to

creating an avenue for productive lives. Ms. Engel said that this awareness should extend to both local shopkeepers and multinational corporations.

Dr. Rosenbaum then observed that from the discussion it appeared that there needs to be a symbiotic relationship inside and outside criminal justice, and that the whole society plays a role in deviant and criminal behavior. Ms. Engel added an inquiry as to whether society is ignoring it, condoning it, depending on it, or stopping it.

Dr. Rosenbaum went on to say that the Authority Board covered a wide range of topics, from basic prevention and early childhood intervention to dealing with ex-offenders and reentry. He added that Illinois is very progressive in terms of criminal justice compared to much of the country, and that the Authority can be credited for a major part in bringing about that status over the last several years. He stated, for example, that the Authority has played a significant role in re-entry issues, in restorative justice and other key initiatives, including being on the cutting edge of technology.

Mr. Myrent concluded the presentation by pointing out that staff is developing summaries and pertinent literature which will be available on a newly created project website. Director Levin and Chairman Sorosky thanked the presenters, with the Chairman also thanking Barbara Engel for her meaningful participation in the discussion. At that point, Chairman Sorosky asked if there were any other old business, new business or comments. Receiving no response, he announced the dates for the 2009 Board meetings: Friday, March 6; Friday, June 5; Friday, September 11, and Friday December 4. He then called for a motion to adjourn.

Motion to Adjourn

{Ms. Engel's motion to adjourn was seconded by Ms. Spyropoulos and passed by unanimous voice vote.}



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Memorandum

To: Budget Committee Members
From: John C. Chojnacki, Associate Director, Federal & State Grants Unit
Date: February 27, 2009
Re: Violence Against Women Act Sexual Assault Services Formula Grant Program (SASP)

The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority has been designated as the state administering agency for a new Federal program through the Office of Violence Against Women (OVW) announced February 20, 2009. The Sexual Assault Services Formula Grant Program (SASP Formula Grant Program) directs Federal grant dollars to States to assist them in supporting rape crisis centers and other nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations that provide core services, direct intervention, and related assistance to victims of sexual assault. Funds provided through the SASP Formula Grant Program are designed to supplement other funding sources directed at addressing sexual assault on the State level. Rape crisis centers and other nonprofit organizations such as dual programs providing both domestic violence and sexual violence intervention services play a vital role in assisting sexual assault victims through the healing process, as well as assisting victims through the medical, criminal justice, and other social support systems. This is a formula grant program and now actual award amount has yet been announced. Applications are due April 17, 2009.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Authority Board / Budget Committee Members

FROM: John C. Chojnacki, Associate Director, Federal & State Grants Unit

DATE: March 06, 2009

RE: **FFY05 Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) Plan Adjustment #5**
FFY06 Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) Plan Adjustment #6

This memo describes proposed adjustments to the FFY05 and FFY06 Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) plans, as illustrated in the attached Attachment A's dated March 6, 2009.

Recommended Designations

FFY05

Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) – Correctional Initiatives - Staff recommends designating \$180,000 in FFY05 funds to the IDOC for the purchase of surveillance equipment to be installed at three of its women's facilities. IDOC will allocate these funds for this purpose to the following correctional facilities: \$100,000 to Lincoln; \$60,000 to Decatur; and \$20,000 to Kankakee.

Request For Proposals (RFP) – Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety - Staff recommends designating \$89,951 in FFY05 funds and any additional FFY05 earned interest or potential lapsing funds, toward an RFP to fund local and county law enforcement agencies for the purchase of equipment that contributes to officer safety and operational effectiveness. Specifically, eligible and selected agencies may be funded up to \$7,500 each to purchase police radios, mobile data computers, or in-car or officer-worn digital video/audio recording devices. Staff will report back to the Budget Committee at a future meeting with a list of awarded agencies.

Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA) – Crime Victim and Witness Programs - Staff recommends designating \$25,000 in FFY05 funds to ICASA Centers for the purchase of clothing for sexual assault victims; translation of materials from English to Spanish; and printing of starter kits for new ICASA staff.

FFY06

Staff recommends designating \$60,049 in FFY06 funds to an RFP to fund local and county law enforcement agencies for the purchase of equipment that contributes to officer safety and operational effectiveness. Specifically, eligible and selected agencies may be funded up to \$7,500 each to purchase police radios, mobile data computers, in-car or officer-worn digital video/audio recording devices. Staff will report back to the Budget Committee at a future meeting with a list of awarded agencies.

Summary of Available JAG FFY05, FFY06, FFY07, and FFY08 Funds

The table below describes funds that would be available assuming the adoption of the staff's recommendations described in the memo above:

Funds Available	FFY05	FFY06	FFY07	FFY08	Total	FFY08 Supplement
Local	\$0	\$0	\$5,584,038	\$2,274,635	\$7,883,511	TBD
State	\$0	\$0	\$1,529,482	\$1,198,621	\$2,896,587	TBD
Interest	\$0	\$44,236	\$466,704	\$43,326	\$715,584	N/A
Local Formula Allocation	\$0	\$0	\$812,159	\$460,766	\$1,272,925	TBD
Total	\$0	\$44,236	\$8,392,383	\$3,977,348	\$12,768,607	\$390,477
FFY Expiration Date	9/30/08	9/30/09	9/30/10	9/30/11		9/30/11

Staff will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.

**JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANTS
FFY05 PLAN - ATTACHMENT A**

**JAG PURPOSE 501(b)(2)
Multi-Jurisdictional Task Forces**

Program Title: Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Units	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: Expanding Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotic Units</u>			
Blackhawk Area Task Force	\$69,579		
Central IL Enforcement Group	\$138,569		
Central IL Enforcement Group	\$138,569		
DuPage County MEG	\$145,625		
DuPage County MEG	\$145,625		
East Central IL Task Force	\$107,122		
Joliet MANS	\$139,644		
Joliet MANS	\$139,644		
Kankakee MEG	\$150,730		
Lake County MEG	\$271,209		
Southern IL Drug Task Force	\$201,393		
Multi-County MEG	\$71,179		
North Central Narcotic Task Force	\$137,952		
North Central Narcotic Task Force	\$139,670		
Quad-Cities MEG	\$31,895		
Quad-Cities MEG	\$31,895		
SLANT Task Force	\$119,996		
SLANT Task Force	\$116,663		
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force	\$85,064		
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force	\$85,064		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$134,002		
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force	\$134,002		
Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Ill.	\$466,849		
Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Ill.	\$467,598		
Southern Illinois Enforcement Group	\$142,258		
Southern Illinois Enforcement Group	\$142,498		
Zone 3 / LaSalle Task Force	\$58,634		
Zone 3 / LaSalle Task Force	\$58,634		
Vermilion County MEG	\$143,581		
Vermilion County MEG	\$143,581		
West Central IL Task Force	\$130,806		
West Central IL Task Force	\$133,389		
Zone 6 Task Force	\$63,352		
Zone 6 Task Force	\$64,106		
Program Title: Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Prosecution Program			
<u>Project Title: Multi-Jurisdictional Drug Prosecution Program</u>			
DuPage County State's Attorney's Office	\$156,415		
DuPage County State's Attorney's Office	\$156,415		
Kane County State's Attorney's Office	\$143,967		
Kane County State's Attorney's Office	\$143,967		
Lake County State's Attorney's Office	\$204,858		
Lake County State's Attorney's Office	\$204,858		
McHenry County State's Attorney's Office	\$83,394		
McHenry County State's Attorney's Office	\$83,394		
Office of the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor	\$416,994		
Office of the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor	\$440,486		
St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office	\$107,709		
St. Clair County State's Attorney's Office	\$108,003		
Will County State's Attorney's Office	\$132,528		
Will County State's Attorney's Office	\$132,528		

<u>Project Title: Complex Drug Prosecutions</u>	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$1,198,054		
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$1,159,572		

**JAG PURPOSE 501(b)(4)
 Community Crime Prevention**

Program Title: Community Violence Prevention

<u>Project Title: Crimes Against Seniors</u>			
Illinois State Police	\$106,902		
Illinois State Police	\$170,500		

**JAG PURPOSE 501(b)(7)(A)
 Improving Operational Effectiveness**

Program Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety

<u>Project Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety</u>			
TBD	\$14,311		
Aroma Park	\$15,000		
Atkinson	\$13,500		
Benld	\$13,875		
Braidwood	\$18,615		
Broadview	\$19,309		
Carroll County	\$17,220		
Cobden	\$16,804		
Colfax	\$13,498		
Cordova	\$19,688		
Cortland	\$12,957		
Cowden	\$20,000		
Douglas County	\$19,058		
East Dubuque	\$11,660		
East Hazel Crest	\$15,746		
East Peoria	\$20,000		
Ewing	\$17,933		
Galva	\$20,000		
Junction City	\$15,457		
Kendall County	\$18,075		
Ludlow	\$14,625		
Macoupin County	\$18,073		
Marissa	\$19,875		
Marquette Heights	\$10,998		
Millstadt	\$19,950		
Moultrie County	\$18,540		
Odin	\$15,457		
Port Byron	\$0		
Ridgway	\$15,187		
Sandoval	\$19,228		
Shelby County	\$13,875		
St Peter	\$20,000		
Stockton	\$8,148		
Streamwood	\$19,875		
Versailles	\$13,875		
Washington	\$18,998		
Waterman	\$0		
Wenona	\$18,000		
Westville	\$11,209		
Woodford County	\$14,796		
Zeigler	\$20,000		

	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
McDonough County	\$18,679		
Kirkland	\$14,009		
Crest Hill	\$20,000		
St. Anne	\$19,999		
Edgar County	\$18,000		
Leland	\$19,500		
Neoga	\$20,000		
Raleigh	\$9,000		
Milledgeville	\$18,474		
Patoka	\$19,518		
<u>Project Title: Local Law Enforcement Officer Safety</u>			
TBD	\$0	\$89,951	\$89,951

**JAG PURPOSE 501(b)(8)
 Drug and Violent Offender Prosecution**

Program Title: Specialized Prosecution Initiatives

<u>Project Title: DNA Unit</u>			
Cook County State's Attorney's Office	\$271,238		
<u>Project Title: Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project</u>			
Office of the State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor	\$284,300		

**JAG PURPOSE 501(b)(10)
 Operational Effectiveness of the Courts**

Program Title: Specialized Defense Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Defense Services</u>			
Office of the Macon County Public Defender	\$81,000		
Office of the Kankakee County Public Defender	\$38,000		
Office of the Will County Public Defender	\$28,000		
<u>Project Title: Systemic Sentencing Issues Appeals Project</u>			
Office of the State Appellate Defender	\$189,529		

Program Title: Mental Health Court

<u>Project Title: Mental Health Court</u>			
Illinois Department of Mental Health	\$60,000		

**JAG PURPOSE 501(b)(11)
 Post Conviction Correctional Resources**

Program Title: Correctional Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Young Offender Re-entry Program</u>			
Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice	\$249,678		
<u>Project Title: Community-based Transitional Services for Female Offenders</u>			
Illinois Department of Corrections	\$380,162		
<u>Project Title: Surveillance Systems</u>			
Illinois Department of Corrections	\$135,875		
Illinois Department of Corrections	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000

**ADAA PURPOSE 501(b)(15)(B)
Information Systems**

	INITIAL AMOUNT	AMENDED AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
<u>Project Title: Integrated Justice Initiatives</u> Illinois Integrated Justice Information System	\$30,000		
<u>Project Title: Jail Data Link</u> Illinois Department of Mental Health	\$120,000		

**JAG PURPOSE 501(b)(20)
Alternatives to Detention**

Program Title: Probation Initiatives

<u>Project Title: Innovative Probation Initiatives</u>			
Will County (24 months)	\$112,000		
Tazewell County - 10th Judicial Circuit	\$74,000		
Lee County	\$40,227		
Kane County	\$40,000		
<u>Project Title: Community-based Transitional Services for Female Offenders</u>			
Lake County	\$13,800		
Lake County	\$20,000		
Cook County Adult Probation	\$164,162		

JAG Crime Victim and Witness Programs

Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault	\$0	\$25,000	\$25,000
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UNALLOCATED FUNDS

Unallocated - Discretionary

Undesignated Local	\$24,838	\$0	(\$24,838)
Undesignated State	\$168,484	\$0	(\$168,484)
Undesignated Interest (as of 1/29/09)	\$101,629	\$0	(\$101,629)

Interest Distribution

Illinois Department of Corrections	\$136,513		
Cook County Adult Probation	\$3,940		
Total	\$140,453		

Unallocated - Formula Allocations

Undesignated Local Formula Funds	\$0		
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ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS

Administration

Administration Funds	\$1,217,530		
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TOTAL	\$14,565,967		
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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Ted Miller,
Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: February 17, 2009
Re: Authority Fiscal Reports

Attached are the FY 2009 fiscal reports covering the period:
July 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

Exhibit #1 – Operations

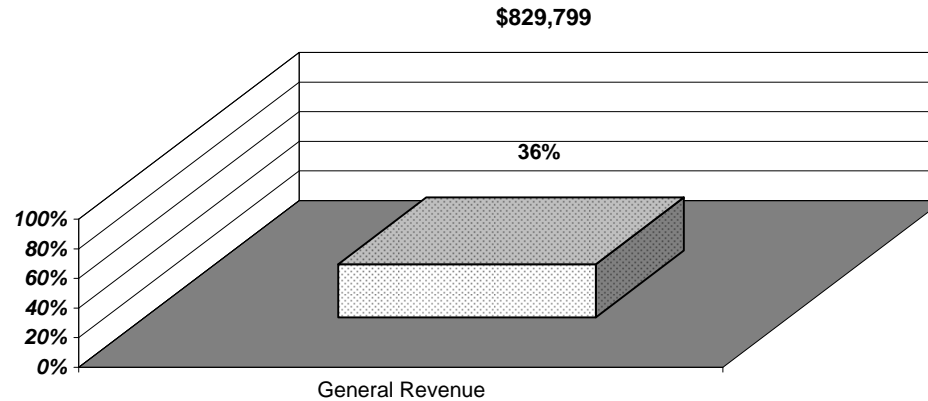
As shown on Exhibit 1, the Authority has expended or obligated 36% of our General Revenue operations.

Exhibit #2 – Awards and Grants

As shown on Exhibit 2, the Authority has expended or obligated 42% of our General Revenue matching funds appropriation and 41% of our total appropriation.

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

Exhibit #1 - Operations
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
FY 2009 Expenditures/Obligations
 October 1, 2008 - December 31, 2008



General Revenue

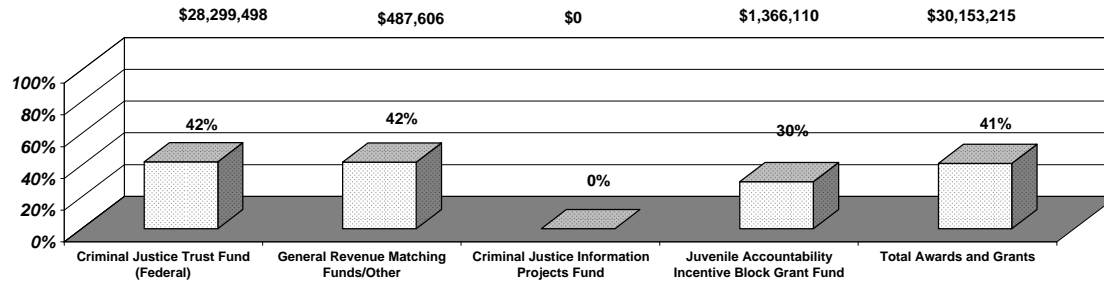
	Budget/ (1)		Expenditures/	
	Appropriation	Reserve	Obligations	Balance (2)
Personal Services	\$1,375,000	\$0	\$477,778	\$897,222
Retirement	\$244,700	\$0	\$99,885	\$144,815
FICA	\$95,800	\$0	\$35,202	\$60,598
Contractual	\$331,700	\$0	\$129,092	\$202,608
Travel	\$11,200	\$0	\$1,071	\$10,129
Commodities	\$12,000	\$0	\$2,991	\$9,009
Printing	\$13,500	\$0	\$2,856	\$10,644
Equipment	\$5,500	\$0	\$0	\$5,500
EDP	\$165,000	\$0	\$42,530	\$122,470
Telecommunications	\$44,100	\$0	\$33,828	\$10,272
Operation of Auto	\$13,500	\$0	\$4,566	\$8,934
Total	\$2,312,000	\$0	\$829,799	\$1,482,201

% of Appropriation (less Reserve): 36% 64%

(1) This amount is the total that the Legislature approved and does not equal the total amount spent.

(2) Balance does not equal end of period cash balance. This is the difference between budget and actual expenditures / obligations.

Exhibit #2 - Awards & Grants
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
FY 2009 Expenditures/Obligations
 October 1, 2008 - December 31, 2008



	Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)			General Revenue Matching Funds/Other			Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund			
	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)
Federal Assistance Support	\$5,800,000	\$1,692,325	\$4,107,675	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$487,606	\$512,394			
State Agencies	\$12,000,000	\$4,726,116	\$7,273,884							
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.	\$37,000,000	\$21,800,367	\$15,199,633							
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$1,700,000	\$80,690	\$1,619,310	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000							
Shared Services	\$700,000	\$0	\$700,000	\$162,165	\$0	\$0	\$162,165			
Total	\$67,200,000	\$28,299,498	\$38,900,502	\$1,162,165	\$0	\$487,606	\$674,559	\$400,000	\$0	\$400,000
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		42%	58%			42%	58%	0%	100%	
	Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund			Total						
	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)	Budget/ (1) Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance (2)			
Federal Assistance Support				\$6,800,000	\$0	\$2,179,931	\$4,620,069			
State Agencies				\$12,000,000	\$0	\$4,726,116	\$7,273,884			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.				\$37,000,000	\$0	\$21,800,367	\$15,199,633			
Misc. Awards/Grants				\$2,100,000	\$0	\$80,690	\$2,019,310			
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives				\$10,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,000,000			
Shared Services	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$962,165	\$0	\$0	\$962,165			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant	\$4,500,000	\$1,366,110	\$3,133,890	\$4,500,000	\$0	\$1,366,110	\$3,133,890			
Total	\$4,600,000	\$1,366,110	\$3,233,890	\$73,362,165	\$0	\$30,153,215	\$43,208,951			
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		30%	70%			41%	59%			

(1) This amount is the total that the Legislature approved and does not equal the total amount spent.

(2) Balance does not equal end of period cash balance. This is the difference between budget and actual expenditures / obligations.

General Revenue	36%
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Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)	42%
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General Revenue Matching Funds/Other	42%
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Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund	0%
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Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund	30%
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Total Awards and Grants	41%
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MEMORANDUM

To: Authority Members
From: Ted Miller
Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: February 17, 2009
Re: Summary of Office of Fiscal Management Activities

The following highlights the work by the Office of Fiscal Management for the Fiscal Year 2009 through December 31, 2008.

Reports

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

- 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 Governor's Office of Management and Budget.
- Quarterly aged accounts receivable and payment application reports.

Federal Grants

- Conducted preliminary budget reviews of approximately 189 interagency agreements.
- Processed 202 contract obligation documents (\$21,877,965) and 627 vouchers (\$14,488,674) for federal grants to state and local governments and not-for-profit agencies.

General Agency Obligations

- Completed the obligation, expenditure and cash reconciliations for five funds.
- Submitted the FY10 Budget request.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

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

Date: February 23, 2009

Re: Federal and State Grants Unit Report – March 5, 2009 Authority Meeting

The staff assigned to the Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU) performed the following activities during the period of November 1, 2008 to January 31, 2009. During this period, FSGU headcount remained at 17.

Grant Activities

During the reporting period, FSGU staff monitored 235 grants, representing approximately \$29,061,641 in grant funds. Monitoring included the following:

- Reviewing (835) monthly or quarterly reports: (402) data and (433) fiscal;
- Initiating disbursement of funds requested by grantees;
- Conducting (approximately 17) 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 4,226 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 began processing 26 new agreements (grants), representing \$3,531,570 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 4 meetings:

- One Budget Committee meetings was held on November 12, 2008.
- One Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition meeting was held on January 7, 2009.
- The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (IMVTPC) conducted a regular council meeting on November 19, 2008 in Chicago and a grant review meeting on January 14, 2009, also in Chicago.

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 1, 2008 and January 31, 2009, two applications were submitted to the federal government for awards from the following federal programs:

Program	Date Submitted
Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) FFY09	December 18, 2008
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) FFY09	December 19, 2008

Training and Conferences

Two staff members attended a State STOP VAWA Administrator's conference in San Diego, California, January 12-14, 2009.

Five staff members attended a Rural VAWA Data telephonic training session on January 23, 2009.

Other Activities

- 1) 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.
- 2) 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.
- 3) Staff continually updates Attachment A's, fact sheets (program/fund information sheets), funding charts, and other items on the Authority's Internet and Intranet sites.

- 4) 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.
- 5) FSGU 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.
- 6) Staff has been working closely with Fiscal Management staff to close out the following federal awards:
 - A) Anti-Drug Abuse Act (ADAA) FFY 2004.
 - B) Juvenile Accountability Block Grants (JABG) FFY 2004.
 - C) National Forensic Sciences Improvement Act (NFSIA) FFY 2006.
 - D) Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN), Northern District FFY 2006, PSN Central Anti-Gang FFY 2006.
 - E) Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) FFY 2003.
 - F) Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) FFY 2005.
- 7) Staff continues to be involved in post-Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) Summit activities, including the Illinois BARJ initiative.
- 8) As part of the Authority's on-going efforts to upgrade its information systems, staff has worked with the Information Services Unit and the Research and Analysis Unit to design a new E-Grant database system. A beta version is nearing completion. The new E-Grant system (eGMIS) will replace the current Grant Management Information System (GMIS).
- 9) Staff has conducted weekly training sessions. These trainings help coach newer employees and also serve as an opportunity for more experienced staff to review the effectiveness of common practices and procedures.



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To: Authority Members

From: Mark Myrent, Associate Director
Research and Analysis Unit

Date: February 17, 2009

Re: Research and Analysis Unit Report for the March 2009 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. NEW PROJECTS

A. Safety Net Works – Implementation Evaluation

Authority staff has been evaluating the implementation of the Safety Net Works Initiative, a violence prevention and youth development program taking place across 17 community areas in Illinois. The primary purpose of this implementation evaluation will be to assess the extent to which project implementation is conducted in accordance with pre-operational expectations; to document the progress and limitations of the program's implementation; to provide recommendations and guide refinement of the project; to prepare for a future impact assessment and build evaluation capacity; and to inform and guide similar undertakings. Sources of data for the evaluation include surveys, interviews, and implementation and progress reports submitted by the sites.

The implementation evaluation is focusing on practical, management-oriented issues, as well as interpersonal and group dynamics. The methodology will include assessments of program set-up and development, the nature and extent of collaboration among participating agencies and organizations, program operations and service delivery and change since the beginning of the initiative. Each of the 17 sites is being evaluated on their program setup, collaboration, and service delivery to the target population. A smaller subset of sites will be selected for a more thorough evaluation through the use of multiple interviews and site visits over the span of the evaluation period.

Authority staff has contributed community area profiles for each of the 17 community areas that the sites are located in. These community profiles provide data on demographic, economic, housing, substance abuse, health, child assistance, and crime indicators collected from several state, non-profit, and academic organizations. Safety Net Works sites will be able to use the profiles to assist in strategic planning and program implementation. A survey has been developed for online administration, which is expected to be implemented in early 2009. The survey will primarily address

the perceptions of collaboration and communication of coalition members. Interviews are also expected to be conducted with site coordinators beginning in March. Authority staff has also been providing interim program reports, with information on coalition membership and services available, to the program monitor. Future reports will continue to report coalition membership and services, as well as communication and participation measures for the first year of the initiative. Survey and interview results will also be discussed with the program manager to provide feedback to the Safety Net Works sites.

B. Go To 2040 Regional Comprehensive Planning Initiative

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) initiated a comprehensive, long-range planning project for the Chicago region (Cook, DuPage, Kane Will, Kendall, Lake and McHenry counties) entitled *Go To 2040*. With resources made available by the Chicago Community Trust, this planning process was enlarged to include multiple domains related to quality of life in the region, including education, health, workforce development, arts and culture, food security, human relations and public safety. The Authority, in partnership with the University of Illinois Chicago (UIC) Criminal Justice Department, was selected to provide leadership in the area of crime and justice within the public safety sphere. As lead agency, Authority staff is expected to identify indicators, report on existing conditions, make recommendations for action in the area of crime and justice, and with guidance from an Advisory Committee, produce a report that will:

- a) state the present condition of the issue examined;
- b) identify challenges and opportunities;
- c) set targets for 2040;
- d) identify strategies and their impact for the region;
- e) identify federal, state and local policies and resources critical to the success of the region; and
- f) identify all organizations working on the issue and other resources relevant to the issue.

During the last quarter, the Crime and Justice Advisory Group held its second meeting on January 30th at the Authority to continue discussions on the future of public safety and the criminal justice system in the next thirty years. The issues that emerged from the meeting will be used as a starting point for developing strategies toward ensuring safer and more equitable communities in the decades ahead. Advisors were invited to participate in a web-enabled survey as a means of contributing additional information to the planning process. In addition, a project website accessible only to advisors and staff was developed as a means of sharing project information and background literature. The final report is due in the Spring of 2009 to the CMAP Board of Directors to be used in their overarching planning process for the region.

C. Redesign of Criminal Justice DataNet

Staff received \$58,000 in funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics (BJS) to enhance web access and on-line presentation formats of the Authority's holdings of criminal

justice and social risk factor data. An added feature of the project is enhancements to the Federal Deaths in Custody Reporting process conducted by the Authority on behalf of Illinois law enforcement agencies. The process of hiring a staff person has been initiated, and an initial assessment of the Authority's Data web page has been conducted. Project staff have worked to inventory and update existing data holdings which will eventually be made available on the redesigned web page. This includes making juvenile justice data more accessible to the various Juvenile Justice Reform Initiatives for their reporting requirements. In addition, staff have begun to identify desirable features for data manipulation and display, as well as improved web page design elements. Staff have also identified current web content related to crime trends on the Authority's website that will be updated to provide users with the latest statistical information while the interactive website is being built and tested over the next several months.

D. Trends in Campus Crime and Safety, 2001-2007 Report

Campus crime data submitted annually by Illinois colleges to the US Department of Education, Office of Post-Secondary Education has been analyzed for a report on crime trends on Illinois' college campuses. The report includes information on trends regarding violent and property offenses, as well as arrests and school disciplinary referrals for alcohol, drug, and weapons violations, for the period 2001 through 2007. Information on changes being made in policy and practice regarding campus crime is also included. Once published later this month, the report will be the subject of a *Chicago Tribune* article.

E. Employment Trends of Felony Probationers in collaboration with Harvard University

The purpose of this joint research project is to promote research on the employment participation and performance of those sentenced to terms of felony probation and imprisonment in Illinois. By combining labor market information derived from the unemployment insurance (UI) system of Illinois with criminal history record information (CHRI) for Illinois, the project will allow for detailed analysis of the relationship between criminal justice sanctions, labor market performance, and criminal recidivism.

ICJIA and Harvard have signed a data use agreement with the IDES. ICJIA will match and disseminate the data to Harvard University for analysis. The employment data set was received from IDES in mid-February.

F. Prescription Drug Research Bulletin

Staff has been working on a research bulletin that will provide information on illegal use of prescription drugs in Illinois. Due to increased abuse and potential for abuse and death, there is a growing law enforcement and public health concern about prescription drugs. The bulletin will provide statewide data on the problem and efforts to combat the problem in Illinois. The bulletin will be published by the Authority in November.

G. Juvenile Female Offenders Research Bulletin

Staff completed a draft of a research report on girls in the Illinois juvenile justice system. This report was originally intended to be an update of a 2002 Authority research bulletin, *Understanding and Addressing Female Delinquency in Illinois*. With the amount of data available and the number of analyses that could be conducted, the bulletin expanded into the report, *Examining at-risk and delinquent girls in Illinois*. The report summarizes risk factor data on juvenile females in Illinois, as well as analyzes juvenile justice system data on arrests, detention, corrections. The preliminary findings of the report indicate that juvenile females in Illinois are more likely than their male counterparts to be involved in the juvenile justice system for less serious offenses. Girls in Illinois are more likely to be arrested, detained, and incarcerated for misdemeanor offenses, status offenses, and retail theft.

H. Partnership with the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) – Multi-City Study of Workplace Violence among Pharmacists and Health Care Workers

In response to news reports across the country of robberies of pharmacies for prescription drugs instead of money, NIOSH is partnering with five Statistical Analysis Centers, including Illinois, to study the magnitude of the problem and assess the risk to health care worker safety. Research and Analysis Unit staff has agreed to participate in a six-month project involving the analysis of Chicago Police Department incident reports for cases involving robberies and other violent crimes at pharmacies, hospitals and clinics, and doctors' offices in 2005 and 2006. NIOSH will combine these data with results from Milwaukee, Ohio, Tennessee and South Carolina to determine initial frequencies, rates and circumstances of crimes that threaten the safety of pharmacists and other health care workers. The Authority participated in a similar study of risks to convenience store workers conducted by NIOSH in the 1990s.

Research staff has begun data collection at Chicago Police Department (CPD) headquarters. Approximately 1,300 case reports for violent incidents at either health care facilities or drug store locations during 2005 and 2006 have been pulled and copied by CPD Records Division staff. Project staff are in the process of determining which incidents fall within the scope of the study, and recording information about the circumstances surrounding these violent work place incidents. To date, approximately 300 incidents have been identified as relevant to the study. The total may reach as high as 500. The project is slated to be completed by the end of March. A final report based on combined results from all participating sites will be produced by NIOSH staff.

I. Juvenile Justice Data Coordination Partnership

Staff has been invited to participate on several working groups related to effective juvenile justice data collection. These include all members of the five juvenile initiatives currently in place in several counties across Illinois: 1) DMC, 2) Redeploy, 3) IJDAI, 4) Models for Change, and 5) BARJ. During discussions at meetings, it was determined that a data template is needed in order to help local practitioners better understand the communities they work in and the people they work with. As a result of numerous calls for technical assistance regarding proper data analysis as well as discussions

within the various initiatives, it was determined that a uniform data template was something those participating in initiatives would benefit from. Juvenile Justice Initiative staff will be working with Authority staff to develop the template, due for distribution among group members in early March. Staff from the Illinois Department of Human Services has volunteered trainers to facilitate distribution and training on the data template once it is approved. Authority staff will assist in developing on-line training modules using Adobe Connect software to assist in this state-wide training effort.

II. CURRENT PROJECTS

A. Program evaluation and research projects/ internally funded

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

1. Trends and Issues 2008

Trends and Issues 2008 is a report about crime and justice in Illinois. This report is an update to previous *Trends and Issues 1997* and is the sixth such publication. It describes the organization and operation of the state's justice system, tracks statewide and regional trends in crime and the processing of offenders, and presents important criminal and justice issues that have emerged this decade. The report derived data from numerous criminal justice sources. Data is presented in several ways in the document through data summaries and descriptions, data tables and trend graphs, and state maps. The graphs depict state data trends over 10 years from 1995 to 2005.

There are five sections: law enforcement, courts, corrections, victims, and juvenile justice. In addition, each section highlights special issues of significance facing the criminal justice system today, including identity theft, gangs, DNA, specialized courts, substance abuse treatment in prison, human trafficking, and juvenile justice reform initiatives. The report provides valuable crime and justice information to inform the general public, criminal justice professionals, and policy makers.

A final draft of the report was presented at the March 2008 Authority meeting. The report is now available on the Authority's website.

The primary distribution format for the *Trends and Issues 2008* report is via the Authority's website. Table 1 below shows the total number of downloads for the full report or individual chapters from November 2008 through January 2009, as well as the cumulative total since the report's publication in May, 2008.

Table 1. *Trends and Issues 2008 Report* Downloads from the Authority Website, November 2008 through January, 2009

CHAPTER SECTIONS	Total Downloads, Nov,2008-Jan, 2009	Cumulative Downloads since publication in May, 2008
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Full Report</i>	1118	4216
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Foreword</i>	74	335
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Executive summary</i>	126	4551
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Overview</i>	83	385
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Introduction</i>	154	493
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Law Enforcement</i>	905	3508
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - The courts</i>	254	906
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Corrections</i>	1100	4110
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Juvenile justice</i>	2181	5696
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Crime victims</i>	643	2175
<i>Trends & Issues 2008 Chapter - Conclusion</i>	65	371

Over 26,700 copies of the full report or individual chapters have been downloaded since its publication in May 2008.

2. Trends and Issues Updates

As referenced in the last section, *Trends and Issues* is a report about crime and justice in Illinois, which describes the organization and operation of the state's justice system, tracks statewide and regional trends in crime and the processing of offenders, and presents important criminal and justice issues that have emerged this decade. Data is presented in several ways in the document through data summaries and descriptions, data tables and trend graphs, and state maps. The graphs depict state data trends over 10 years from 1995 to 2005.

As follow-up to that report, four *Trends and Issues Updates* are being written to highlight specific topics that were introduced in the main document. A draft report on "Drug Crime in Illinois" was completed but is being revised with updated data. Other reports, such as Offenses Against School Personnel, and System-Wide Trends in Violent Crime are scheduled for publication early 2009.

3. Evaluation of IDOC's Sheridan Correctional Center Therapeutic Community Program

Research & Analysis staff is continuing to support the operation of the Sheridan Correctional Center through a process and impact evaluation. Sheridan is currently the largest correctional facility in the country that is entirely committed to substance abuse treatment. The prison, designed as a therapeutic community for substance abuse users, reopened at the beginning of 2004 and had an additional methamphetamine treatment unit built on in FY08. Drug offenders

released from IDOC have relatively high recidivism rates if they are released without any form of treatment in prison or in their communities upon release. The Sheridan treatment plan is designed to treat offenders while incarcerated and while they are released to their communities under supervision to reduce recidivism rates across Illinois.

The evaluation of Sheridan is a collaborative effort between the Authority, Loyola University, and the Illinois Department of Corrections and is under the direction of Dr. David Olson of Loyola. The evaluation uses a combination of quantitative and qualitative data to gage the process and impact of operations at Sheridan and the aftercare component required for inmates under mandatory supervised release. Authority staff contributed to analyses of program completion and recidivism of Sheridan participants compared to a matched sample of inmates released from other prisons in Illinois, including the compiling and organization of criminal history and arrest data on subjects in the research.

The final report detailing the progress and outcomes of the program from inception through 2007 has been reviewed by Authority staff. Two past Program Evaluation Summaries have been completed on Sheridan indicating benefits from reduced recidivism and increased employment for participants. The most recent report also indicated benefits due to the program. Additional publications intended for scholarly journals have also been produced. These reports address the long-term impact of the program and the characteristics of participants that influence success in the program. The final report and summary are being updated with 2008 data and will be available on our website in spring 2009.

Dr. Olson is continuing the evaluation of the Sheridan program, as well as assessing the drug treatment therapeutic community operating at the Southwestern Illinois Correctional Center. This continued research began in October 2008 and will continue through March 2010.

4. 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 report outlines the development and adjustments that were made to the program to better accommodate and serve the female probationers' needs in an effort to prevent recidivism and improve their lives. The final report is available on our website and a summary is forthcoming.

A one-year follow-up study to further assess the impact of the program began in January 2008. This follow-up study will address whether the program reduced recidivism, and assisted the women in obtaining employment, housing, food and childcare. The study is also focusing on the third service provider that the program enlisted and the draft final report is due February 2009.

5. Jail Data Link

In May 2007, evaluators at the University of Illinois – Springfield began an evaluation of the Jail Data Link project. Implemented in three sites in Illinois, the Jail Data Link project identifies jail detainees who are recipients of Department of Human Services mental health

services and links them up with continued services and treatment while they are incarcerated in the jail. This identification and continuation of treatment assists jails in the care of inmates who are in need of mental health services and / or medication. Site visits and data collection have been completed and a draft final report was submitted in February 2009. The report is under review and should be finalized in March 2009.

6. Capital Punishment Reform Study Committee

Loyola University Chicago was selected to continue research and conduct a survey regarding capital punishment in Illinois for the Capital Punishment Reform Study Committee. Work on this project began in October 2008.

7. 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 in late 2006:

- *Corrections to Community: The collective reentry experience of juvenile offenders.* This study, under the direction of the University of Chicago, examined a number of factors that play into the reentry experience of juveniles released from Illinois correctional facilities between 1996 and 2002. The final report and summary are available on our website.
- *Analysis of Domestic Violence Service Data.* Under the direction of Loyola University, this study examines InfoNet service data to describe victim service use patterns over time and describe the characteristics of victims and their service needs. The report was received and is available on our website. In addition to the full analysis report, an appendix, full executive summary and Research at a Glance are also available on our website.

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 projects in 2007:

- *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 project has concluded and a final report is under review.
- *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. The final report will be submitted for review in March 2009.

An additional Investigator-initiated RFP was issued in June 2007, and four new projects were selected for funding in October 2007:

- *Critical Incident Preparedness and Response on Campus* – Conducted by Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, this study examined the current state of critical incident preparedness, planning and response activities on a census of Illinois colleges and university campuses and a sample of campuses nationwide. This study also looked at reported campus crime rates from the Cleary Act. The research will be valuable for state and national policymakers and the findings will provide information on current practices as they relate to campus security and how they differ from a national perspective. A final report was received and is available on our website.
- *Analysis of Shelter Utilization by Victims of Domestic Violence* – Conducted by Loyola University School of Social Work, Loyola researchers in collaboration with the City of Chicago Mayor's Office will conduct a study of the dynamics of shelter utilization and how it relates to the process of, and readiness for, change among women who are victims of domestic violence. The project will aim to better identify the housing and service needs and utilization patterns, as well as the outcomes of women who are in the domestic violence shelter system in Chicago. The project will also identify stages in the help seeking process, including the characteristics of readiness for change that lead women to shelter and/or to end the abusive situation. A report is due in March 2009.
- *Methamphetamine and Violence* – Conducted by Illinois State University, this study conducted in-depth interviews with methamphetamine users from downstate Illinois and a select group of law enforcement and other officials to determine the extent to which methamphetamine and violence are associated, and to better understand the nature of that association. The research provides a picture of the epidemiology of methamphetamine and related violence in Illinois across communities of varying size and rural characteristics. The findings will inform law enforcement and social service providers regarding factors associated with an increased likelihood of violence by those who use and manufacture the drug. A report will be submitted for review in December 2008 and revisions requests were forwarded. A final report will be placed on the website in March or April 2009.
- *The Impact of Illinois' Truth-in-Sentencing Legislation* – Conducted by Loyola University Department of Criminal Justice, this project will examine the impact that Illinois' Truth-in-Sentencing (TIS) legislation has had on sentences imposed, projected lengths of time served in prison, and inmate behavior. The findings will allow policy makers to more accurately assess the impact the law has had on sentencing practices and on how inmates have adjusted to their incarceration. It will also inform practitioners of the implications of TIS on issues related to inmate reentry and the aging of the prison population, given the potential increased length of stay and release from prison at older ages of those sentenced under the law. A final report is under review.

Staff also released an RFP in January 2009 to support additional research under the Investigator-Initiated theme. Research priorities were identified and applicants are directed to submit proposals that focus on these priority areas of interest. Proposals are due March 23 and projects are planned to be in spring 2009.

B. Program evaluation and research projects/ externally funded

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. Juvenile justice system and risk factor data: 2006 Annual Report

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, work is underway on the 2006 Annual Report, a compilation of county-level juvenile justice system and risk factor data. Like the 2005 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.

A draft of the report is expected to be completed in Spring, 2009 and the final report should be available in Summer 2009.

2. Mental health screening and assessment practices in the Illinois juvenile justice system

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, staff is currently working on a survey of the mental health screening and assessment practices in the Illinois juvenile justice system. The goal of the project is to determine what screening and assessment tools are being used by whom, and at what point in the system. These data will be gathered through a survey of all juvenile detention centers, juvenile probation and court service offices, juvenile correctional facilities, and the Juvenile Officers Association. This research will prove useful to juvenile justice practitioners, community-based mental health providers, and researchers who want to explore further the issue of screening and assessment in Illinois. In addition, it will guide them in the selection of the most current and appropriate tools for their facilities. Furthermore, the results of the study will inform future research in the area of mental health and juvenile justice.

After approval of the survey from IRB, 99 surveys were mailed. Approximately 67 percent of surveys were completed and returned. The deadline for the survey responses was extended to allow for additional surveys to be returned. A draft of the report is expected to be available in Spring 2009.

3. Redeploy Illinois County Profiles

The Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board requested county profiles providing detention and corrections information for sites that are operational, as well as 15 additional potential sites. These profiles were presented at the September Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board meeting and distributed to the counties.

The data in the profiles are being updated and final reports should be available on the Authority website in Spring 2009.

4. 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. All three waves of data collection (years 2002, 2005 and 2006) have been completed in all six participating counties: Lake, DuPage, Adams, Cook, Sangamon and the 2nd Judicial Circuit. Data analysis is currently being conducted and work on a draft final report has begun. An initial meeting to go over data analysis and findings and to discuss strategies for on-going data collection and analysis was held. An additional six-month no-cost extension through April 2009 has been obtained from NIC to complete data analysis.

5. Assessment of prior victimization and access to services among adult female inmates in the Illinois Department of Corrections

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. The research study will collect information on the extent and nature of victimization and treatment episodes of female prison inmates in Illinois. The research involves detailed face-to-face interviews with current female prisoners. The questions will explore prior help seeking strategies, substance use, and physical and sexual abuse during the course of the person's life history. The data will provide information to criminal justice and social service agencies, funding entities, policy makers, and the general public. The research will be able to offer treatment recommendations to IDOC to further help women in corrections.

Staff will interview 200 women located in three IDOC institutions—Dwight, Decatur, and Lincoln. Staff will obtain a random sample of female inmates (stratified by the facility). We will pay a \$10 stipend to respondents. Each interview will last approximately 60-90 minutes. We will obtain participants' criminal histories and examine their prison case files after they agree to participation in the interview. We have created a data collection form.

The IRB approved the initial application in June 2008. After lengthy negotiations with Authority legal counsel, IDOC legal counsel, and the IRB on the language in the consent form, the project restarted in January 2009. Data collection began at Dwight Correctional Center in January 2009. Data collection will continue through April 2009.

6. Domestic Sex Trafficking of Chicago Women and Girls

The DePaul College of Law Schiller Du Canto & Fleck Law Center collaborated with Authority to conduct data entry and analysis for a research project on sex trafficking. Ms. Jody Raphael, Senior Research Fellow, received a grant from the Chicago Foundation on Women for this research. The project administered questionnaires to 100 girls and women currently in the sex trade industry to gain information about recruitment and violence by pimps in local sex trafficking. Data is being collected and entered, and will be analyzed in early 2008. The Authority co-authored the final report which was released at an event at DePaul Law School on May 7, 2008. The final report has been posted on the IJICA Website. A presentation was given at the June 2008 Authority Board meeting. A research bulletin, [*Prostitution Study Finds Chicago Girls Trafficked Through Coercion, Violence*](#), was published on the Authority's website in September 2008. The authors are also writing an article based on the study. The first article, *The Escalation of Pimp Control and Violence of Prostituted Women*, will be submitted to an academic journal in February/March 2009.

7. Implementing Restorative Justice: A Guide for Schools

This is a final guide a series of eight BARJ implementation guides. ICJIA staff created this series of BARJ implementation guides to provide profession-specific information on how the BARJ philosophy can be used across the juvenile justice system. The guide is specifically designed to provide Illinois school personnel and families with practical strategies to use BARJ in their daily activities. School districts in Illinois have been incorporating the BARJ philosophy and BARJ programs into their discipline codes. BARJ has also been implemented in schools in Illinois through peer juries, peer mediation, and circles. In particular, the Chicago Public Schools have implemented peer juries the majority of its high schools. Staff have drafted the guide and it is in review with external advisors. The guide will be published in April 2009.

C. Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Audit

The unit's Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Audit Center is a JAG funded in-house effort to continuously examine the accuracy, completeness and timeliness of the criminal history record information reported to the state repository maintained by the Illinois State Police, and to recommend strategies for improvement.

The 2009 CHRI Audit methodology development will likely take advantage of opportunities to examine the accuracy and completeness of CHRI records supplied for other studies over the year, since staff shortages in the CHRI Audit unit preclude the ability to conduct the usual comprehensive

statewide audit. Examples may include samples of criminal histories of female inmates at the Illinois department of Corrections, samples of probationers studied in the Evidence Based Practices (EBP) study, or samples of sex offenders examined in the BJS sponsored study in 2007.

CHRI Ad Hoc Data Connection Partnership. The Authority has entered into a data sharing partnership with the Illinois State police, whereby CHRI data is made available to us via a permanent on-line connection. All data entered on state “rap sheets”, as housed on the State Police Computerized Criminal History system, are accessible to staff in electronic format. These data provide a unique resource for answering information requests from legislators, the media, and other interested parties, in-house research projects and studies being conducted by others around the country. A CHRI Ad Hoc Data Archive of all criminal history records from 1990-2007 has been created in formats that can be readily shared with researchers. This Archive currently holds close to a million records for each year of data.

The CHRI Ad Hoc data partnership with the State Police has progressed to the point where the Authority is now considered the sole source for electronic CHRI data for research purposes. (The State Police still generate paper versions for a fee.) Outside researchers can enter into a User Agreement to gain access to CHRI data which is distributed through the Authority. 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.

During the last quarter, CHRI data was produced for the University of Illinois at Springfield. Several requests for the initiation of a CHRI User agreement were received from researchers, including ones from Carnegie-Mellon University, TASC, Inc, and the DuPage Drug Court Administrator. Since the inception of the CHRI Ad Hoc Connection Partnership, a total of thirty-five outside research projects have received CHRI data from the Authority.

Staff is also working with several university-based researchers to develop appropriate methodologies for their research using CHRI Ad Hoc data, and is reviewing drafts of completed research projects for appropriate interpretation of the CHRI data used. Technical assistance on CHRI data interpretation and data manipulation was also provided to several researchers who received data in previously, including the Urban Institute and the Jail data Link project.

Staff has been invited to participate in meeting of experts from around the country in April regarding the use of criminal history records in recidivism research sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics in Washington D.C.

D. Chicago Homicide Dataset Update Project

The Chicago Homicide Dataset (CHD) 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. CHD data from 1965 to 1995, with all victim identifiers and addresses removed, is archived with the Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) at University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. Staff are currently cleaning the entire dataset from

1965 to 2000, and creating three linked CHD datasets – victim-level, incident-level and offender-level.

During this quarter, discussions were initiated with Chicago Police Department's Research and Development Division to resume the collaborative process of collecting and maintaining the CHD, adding years since 2000, and updating 1965-2000 data for cases that have been cleared since the last data collection effort.

Staff continues to collaborate with selected researchers on projects involving use of the Chicago Homicide Dataset. Staff presented an overview of the Chicago Homicide Dataset at the 2008 BJS/JRSA National Conference on Using Data to Improve Justice Policy and Practice, which was held in Portland, Oregon from October 16 to 17, 2008. The overview used "Connected Homicides" as an example of the detailed information in the CHD, which can be useful for prevention and intervention. Using the newly-updated CHD data from 1965 to 2000, staff presented at the Homicide Research Working Group (HRWG) in June, and the American Society of Criminology in November. Both presentations dealt with "connected" homicides, such as serial murders, spree murders, mass murders, and retribution murders. At the HRWG session at the American Society of Criminology meetings in November, staff presented a brief overview and tutorial about the Chicago Homicide Dataset. In addition, staff presented the keynote address at the International Conference on Homicide, sponsored by the Australian Institute of Criminology, held in early December.

Other recent reports using the Chicago Homicide Dataset include the following:

Ren, L. "The Impact of Neighborhood Transition on Homicide Rates in Chicago: A Longitudinal Study from 1965-1995" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CRIMINOLOGY, Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Atlanta, Georgia.

http://www.allacademic.com/meta/p212951_index.html

Chicago HSI was written by Lindsay Grace, using the Homicides in Chicago Data Set. Chicago HSI is an application to research spatial relationships between homicide events in Chicago. This tool is comprised of multiple federal, state, and regional data resources organized into an intuitive visual display. The program contains the history of homicides reported by the Chicago Police Department between 1965 and 1995. Users may analyze data through more than 13 demographic factors and view the data in historically accurate maps describing landmarks, boundaries, and census driven sociological factors. The program aggregates data from several disparate sources, The Chicago Homicide Dataset, The National Census Archive and the City of Chicago's GIS resource.

Johnson, Natalie Jo (2007). "Weapons in the city: Weapon use in Chicago homicide cases," Master's Thesis, University of North Texas. December, 2007.

Fishburn, Erin (2006). "The Role of Street Culture in Latino Homicide" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology (ASC), Los Angeles Convention Center, Los Angeles, CA, Oct 31, 2006

Stanback, B. & King-Kallimanis, B. (in process). Older offenders and homicide: What can we learn from the Chicago Homicide Dataset?

Hewitt, Jeanne Beauchamp, Pamela F. Levin, and Susan Terry Misner (2002). Workplace Homicides in Chicago. Feature article, AAOHN Journal 50 (9, September). (This has been widely quoted in public health.)

Sack, Emily J., Battered Women and the State: The Struggle for the Future of Domestic Violence Policy. Wisconsin Law Review, p. 1658, 2004; Roger Williams Univ. Legal Studies Paper No. 35. Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=952389>

E. Chicago Women's Health Risk Study

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

The current goal of the CWHRS project is 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 209 members, most of them practitioners or researchers in the field. The CWHRS Forum also 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.

During the last quarter, staff presented the keynote address at a Femicide conference in November for professionals and practitioners, co-sponsored by John Jay College of Criminal Justice and the largest provider of DV support in New York City. Over 300 people attended, and many of them have asked to join the CWHRS Forum to gather more information they can use as helping professionals. In addition, staff presented the keynote address at the International Conference on Homicide, sponsored by the Australian Institute of Criminology in December, on key risk factors for death in intimate partner violence. The address was entitled, "Reducing intimate-partner homicide rates: What are the risk factors when a woman is being abused?" See <http://www.aic.gov.au/conferences/occasional/2008-12-block.html>

The following articles using CWHRS data have been recently published:

- Glass, Nancy, Kathryn Laughon, Jacquelyn C. Campbell, Carolyn Rebecca Block, Ginger Hanson, Phyllis W. Sharps & Ellen Taliaferro (2008). Non-fatal strangulation is an important risk factor for homicide of women. *Journal of Emergency Medicine* 35 (Oct): 329-335.
- Morland, Leslie A., Gregory A. Leskin, Carolyn Rebecca Block, Jacquelyn C. Campbell, and Matthew J. Friedman (2008). Intimate Partner Violence and Miscarriage: Examination of the

Role of Physical and Psychological Abuse and Posttraumatic Stress Disorder. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence* 23: 652-669.

- Perez, Sara and Dawn M. Johnson (2008). PTSD Compromises Battered Women's Future Safety. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence* 23: 635-651.
- Block, Carolyn R. and Walter DeKeseredy (2007). Forced sex and leaving intimate relationships: Results of the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study. *Women's Health and Urban Life* 5 (1, May): 6-23.

III. ONGOING ACTIVITIES

A. Briefings/Presentations

Since the last Authority update for the September 2008 meeting, R&A staff made presentations at, and/or attended the following professional meetings:

- Staff attended an Intimate Partner Stalking Conference on November 5-7, in Chicago.
- Staff was the keynote speaker at an intensive one-day conference on “Femicide: Understanding and Preventing the Murder of Women in Intimate Relationships,” co-sponsored by John Jay College of Criminal Justice and the Urban Resource Institute (the largest provider of domestic violence support services in New York City), November 7, 2008. Over 300 people, many of them practitioners, attended. The keynote presentation generated considerable interest in working with the CWHRS Forum to share research and practical information to help professionals.
- Staff presented a paper, “Multiple-Victim and Other Connected Homicides,” on November 13, 2008, at the American Society of Criminology meetings in St. Louis. The paper dealt with “connected” homicides, such as serial murders, spree murders, mass murders, and retribution murders.
- At the HRWG session at the American Society of Criminology meetings on November 14, 2008, staff presented a brief overview and tutorial about the Chicago Homicide Dataset.
- Staff attended a IJDAI partners group meeting on November 17 in Bloomington.
- Staff attended the Redeploy Oversight Board meeting on November 21. Redeploy is an effort to redirect juvenile offenders from the Department of Corrections and into supervision within their communities.
- Staff met with Dr. Michelle Bentley, site coordinator for the Safety Net Works Grand Boulevard program, on November 20 at the Authority’s office to discuss performance indicators.
- Staff attended a meeting on November 21 with the Office of the Attorney General on commercial sexual exploitation within the Craigslist website.
- The research director and executive director attended the Joint Reconvening of the Mayoral Policy Caucus on Reentry and the Governor’s Commission on Community Safety and Reentry on December 1 in Chicago.
- Staff attended a Pathways Partners group meetings on December 2 in Bloomington.

- On December 3, 2008, staff was the keynote speaker at the International Conference on Homicide, which focused on “Domestic Related Homicide.” The conference was sponsored by the Australian Institute of Criminology, in Brisbane, Australia.
- R&A staff met with the agency’s FSGU staff to finalize the inter-unit partnership agreement on December 3.
- R&A staff met with the agency’s FSGU staff to finalize the inter-unit partnership agreement on December 4.
- The research director and executive director attended the Safety Net Works Executive Steering Committee meeting on December 4 in Chicago.
- Staff attended a meeting of the Illinois Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency on December 4 in Addison, IL.
- Staff presented the keynote address on homicide at the International Conference on Homicide, sponsored by the Australian Institute of Criminology, on December 4.
- Staff attended a DASA Youth Subcommittee meeting in Chicago on December 4.
- The research director led a discussion on the GoTo 2040 Planning Initiative with Authority board members at the board meeting on December 5.
- Staff participated in a teleconference meeting with AOIC officials concerning the EBP project on December 10.
- Staff participated on several conference calls with Liz Kooy, Mary Reynolds, and Betsey Clark (Juvenile Justice Initiative), Lisa Jacobs (Models for Change project coordinator), Diane Geraghty (Loyola University), and staff from Northwestern to discuss how we can measure what effect having counsel at detention hearings may have on detention rates. The law was recently passed and the Juvenile Justice Initiative was interested in determining if having counsel present helps get kids into alternatives. Staff is helping to develop a list of counties where there are high rates of detaining youth for relatively minor offenses so this data can be used for the baseline. Conference calls were held on December 10, January 14, and February 4.
- Staff attended the Domestic Violence Advisory Coordinating Council on December 11 at the Mayor’s Office on Domestic Violence.
- Staff participated in a conference call regarding the Jail Data Link project evaluation status on December 11.
- On December 12, staff attended a Partnership to Rescue our Minors from Sexual Exploitation (PROMISE) meeting.
- The research director attended a meeting with the agency General Counsel on December 12 to discuss research strategies with members of the Sex Offender Management Board.
- Staff attended a meeting at the Attorney General’s Office on Sex Trafficking, specifically online sex solicitations on Craigslist on December 21.
- On January 7, staff met with Steve Karr of IDOC to discuss a data sharing partnership.
- Staff attended a meeting of the Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition at the Authority on January 7.
- On January 8, staff attended a Chicago Public Schools Peer Jury meeting.
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- Staff participated in a conference call with CMS staff on January 8 to discuss special testing options for the CJS I position to ensure proper qualifications for Authority research work.

- Staff participated in a conference call with CMS on January 13 regarding creation of a new Criminal Justice Research Specialist job title.
- On January 13, staff held a training with interviewers on the Female Inmates Research Project and a conference call with IDOC staff.
- On January 13 and February 10, staff attended a DMC Models for Change meetings at Loyola.
- Staff attended the Citywide BARJ meeting and IBARJ meeting, both at the Cook County Juvenile Court on January 22.
- Staff participated in a conference call with the Right to Counsel workgroup on January 14.
- Staff attended the Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board meeting on January 16 in Chicago.
- Staff attended a meeting of the Redeploy Illinois Annual Report Ad Hoc Group on January 16 in Chicago.
- Staff met with Xavier Williams of DHS on January 20 at the Authority's offices to discuss changes to the for the Safety Net Works data collection form.
- Staff met on January 21 with staff from the National Center for Juvenile Justice to discuss detention data that we have available.
- Staff attended a Pathways Partners strategic meeting on January 22 and 23.
- Staff developed a data collection report and met with grantees for a new elder abuse program on January 27 in Chicago.
- Staff attended a meeting with the Veteran's Ad Hoc Committee on January 29 to oversee two pilot programs (one in Cook and one in St. Clair) that provide specialized mental health services to veterans involved in the criminal justice system.
- Staff attended the GoTo2040 Advisory Council meeting held at the Authority on January 30.
- Staff attended a Lead Agency meeting at CMAP offices on February 2.
- On February 2 staff attended a meeting with the Disproportionate Minority Confinement committee of Models for Change (at Loyola University). Staff discussed a data collection template for juvenile justice system data to eventually be rolled out to those participating in various juvenile initiatives.
- Staff hosted two students from the Chicago Public Schools on February 4 for Career Shadow Day.
- Staff participated in a Career Shadow Day sponsored by the Chicago Public Schools on February 4, hosting two high school students interested in a legal career. The students observed a court session at Domestic Violence Court, and discussed career options in the law and criminal justice fields with Authority staff.
- On February 6, staff attended a meeting with the Cook County Sheriff's Department's Women and Justice Services, and Justice Project Against Sexual Harm regarding a research evaluation project.
- On February 10, staff attended a Chicago Public Schools Peer Jury meeting.
- Staff attended and presented at the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission meeting on February 10, 2009.
- Staff co-presented EBP research material to probation managers in Bloomington on February 10.
- Staff attended the LEADS Advisory Board meeting in Joliet on Tuesday, February 17.
- Staff hosted a conference call with DHS Division of Mental Health staff on February 19 to discuss the draft report of the Jail Data Link program evaluation.

B. Criminal Justice Information Clearinghouse

The Authority serves as a statewide clearinghouse for statistics and other information about crime and the criminal justice system. The Clearinghouse Center within R&A maintains and regularly updates many county-level datasets related to crime and the criminal justice system, as well as social risk factor data. These datasets are used for in-house research projects and publications, such as *Trends and Issues* and *County Profiles of the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems*. The Clearinghouse is also responsible for answering requests for criminal justice data and information, as well as maintaining the publications on the Authority's website: www.icjia.il.state.us.

Many requests continue to come from government agencies (17 percent) and private agencies (20 percent). Other requests come from private citizens, researchers, students news media representatives, legislators and prison inmates. Twenty percent of the requests originate in the Chicago metropolitan area, and another 34 percent originate in other parts of the state. All other requests for information were received from other states, outside the United States, or unknown origin.

R&A distributed 2 authority publications during the second quarter of SFY 09 (Oct-Dec, 2008), not including those downloaded from our website (261,939) (*Table 1*). The volume of web users has remained at high levels. During this time period, there were 1,881,476 "hits" on our website and more than 85,748 visitors that remained on the site for a period of time. There were 261,974 downloads of information or publications (*Table 2*). The website continues to be a valuable resource for our constituents.

Acquiring/updating/documenting dataset holdings

During the last quarter, staff continued to inventory and update core datasets. 2007 Illinois Uniform Crime Report (I-UCR) data were released by the Illinois State Police in November, and our corresponding offense and arrest data and population datasets were updated accordingly. Data on drug submissions to Illinois State Police labs by zip code was entered into newly designed spreadsheets, to include data by Chicago Police Department districts as well municipal totals. TANF data and court data from the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts were also updated. Updates of juvenile petition and detention data and population were begun in February. All of these updated datasets will eventually be made available on our redesigned CJ DataNet web pages, along with graphing and mapping capabilities.

C. FSGU Support Efforts

Several R&A staff work in a partnership with the Authority's Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU) to provide statistical technical assistance. Currently, R&A staff are working with FSGU to draft a protocol outlining staff roles. The protocol outlines the following purposes of the partnership:

- Help FSGU report statistical information to ICJIA boards and the public.
- Help guide decisions to best spend limited federal funding.
- Help ensure ICJIA collects and reports reliable statistics on grantees.

- Help hold grantees accountable for ICJIA administered federal funds.
- Help ensure ICJIA meets federal and auditor requirements.

Upon request, R&A staff review grant data reports, grant proposals, and data report forms; create grantee program profiles; report at FSGU grant meetings; participate in conferences; offer statistical information through presentations; attends relevant trainings; and create and update grant-related databases. R&A staff continued to work with FSGU staff responsible for the VAWA, VOCA, JABG, MVTPC, and MEG/TF funds. In addition, R&A staff assume responsibility for the computerization of some program performance for many grants. Specifically, during the reporting period:

- R&A staff completed a training with FSGU staff on goals, objectives, and performance measures.
- R&A staff completed four program profiles in November and December on Juvenile Accountability Block Grant-funded programs.
- R&A staff redesigned the (20) Metropolitan Enforcement Group (MEG) and drug task force profiles. The profiles provide an overview of the drug crime problem and the response to those problems in the jurisdictions covered by federal grant-funded Illinois' MEGs and task forces. In addition, a new survey will be distributed to all task forces to gather information. The last profiles were published in 2004.
- R&A staff provided training for the S.T.O.P. VAWA Annual Report for calendar year 2008.
- R&A staff participated in a Rural VAWA Data Report Tele-Training.
- R&A staff completed one program profile in February and will complete four more by April on S.T.O.P. VAWA Multi-disciplinary Team programs.
- R&A staff completed a training with FSGU staff on Rural VAWA goals, objectives, and performance measures.
- R&A staff developed a template for staff to use when completing program profiles. This was shared with FSGU staff in January.
- The R&A/ FSGU partnership agreement was completed. It outlines the roles of R&A in the support efforts of FSGU. It was shared with FSGU staff in January.

D. Technical Assistance

- Staff compiled data, information, and a written report on disproportionate minority contact for the Illinois Department of Human Services for their annual report.
- Staff analyzed and compiled arrest statistics from CHRI data for the Illinois Juvenile Justice Initiative and the University of Chicago.
- Staff gathered and distributed juvenile data for Kankakee, Iroquois, Whiteside, LaSalle, Grundy, Bureau, JoDaviess, Carroll, Stephenson and Ogle counties for their participation in the Pathways Regional Conference on September 18.
- Staff assisted as a facilitator at the Chicago Public Schools Peer Jury Training on October 1.
- Staff developed a list of counties where there are high rates of detaining youth for relatively minor offenses so this data can be used for the baseline. In list was presented on October 1 in a conference call with Liz Kooy, Mary Reynolds, and Betsey Clark (Juvenile Justice Initiative), Lisa Jacobs (Models for Change project coordinator), Diane Geraghty (Loyola University), and

staff from Northwestern. The purpose was to discuss how to measure the effect of having counsel at detention hearings on detention rates.

- Staff presented juvenile data and conduct a workshop on using and interpreting data at the annual Illinois Probation and Court Services meeting on October 23 in DuPage County.
- Staff met with Dr. Michelle Bentley, site coordinator for the Safety Net Works Grand Boulevard program, on November 20 at the Authority's office to assist in the development of performance indicators.
- Staff developed an evaluation form for the law enforcement elder abuse protocol that was distributed by the Illinois Department on Aging.

E. 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).

Summary data on death in law enforcement custody for the year of 2007 was submitted to BJS in October of 2008, and data for 2008 and 2009 is continuously being collected. 2008 data is expected to be submitted to BJS in mid 2009. BJS utilizes the data to produce reports of arrest fatalities in the United States, with updates planned as states submit data. The last report, Arrest-Related Deaths in the United States, 2003-2005, was released in October 2007.

As part of the SJS grant received from the U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Statistics, a new DICRA web page will be designed, and a survey will be developed to determine a more efficient way to collect medical examiner data on these incidents, including cause of death.

F. Web-based applications

1. Webboard

Webboard is an integrated discussion boards, online conferencing, it is also for online classes, providing threaded discussions, chat and the ability to post and download data, this message board tool allows valuable ideas and comments to be shared and stored.

During the last quarter, Webboard software has been move to an upgraded server with more memory capacity in order to upgrade the software from version 8 to 9.

Staff is currently developing the launch of a redesigned WebBoard Chicago Women's Health Risk Study (CWHRS) Forum. The CWHRS Forum is a discussion and information-sharing site for people interested in reducing levels of death and serious injury from intimate partner violence. Forum members are trying to apply findings from the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study (CWHRS) and similar research to practical situations in the field.

Staff is currently developing the WebBoard INFONET Forum. The InfoNet (information network) is a web-based data collection system used by victim service providers in Illinois. The development and implementation of the system was a collaborative effort between the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority, the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA) and the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV).

Staff is currently developing the WebBoard Go To 2040 Forum. The Go To 2040 Forum is a discussion and information-sharing site for advisory committee members to discuss Crime and Justice topical areas of the larger planning process being conducted by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) as the co-lead agency with the University of Illinois at Chicago with the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, in conjunction with the Chicago Community Trust. The project will focus on the Chicago metropolitan region (the seven counties of Cook, DuPage, Lake, Kane, Kendall, McHenry and Will). The purpose is to create a plan for an effective and coordinated crime and justice system in the region by the year 2040. The WebBoard Go To 2040 Forum can be viewed at <http://webboard.icjia.org/WB/default.aspx?boardid=2>. Drafts of the final report will be circulated for comment and discussion via this Forum, in order to efficiently reach the geographically dispersed Advisory Committee members in order to reach consensus on final strategies and recommendations by May 2009.

Staff is also developing the WebBoard CJ ACADEMIC Forum. The CJ ACADEMIC Forum will be a discussion and information-sharing site which will enable the Research and Analysis Unit to communicate with the academic community on criminal justice research issues and topics that practitioners and others can use in their work within Illinois and from the national perspective.

2. Adobe Acrobat Connect

Adobe Acrobat Connect is software used to create information and general presentations, online training materials, web conferencing, learning modules, and user desktop sharing applications.

During the last quarter, Adobe Acrobat Connect software has been upgraded from version 6 to 7.

Staff is currently developing INFONET User Training using this software, as well as developing other Research and Analysis Unit and other agency on-line applications.

3. Website Enhancements

Staff has developed a Go To 2040 Website for advisory committee members to have access to the CMAP Home page, information related to: CJ Issues and Topics, Population Projection, Advisory Committee Surveys, Advisory Committee information, such as Scheduled Meetings, Meeting Materials, Meeting Minutes, Next Steps for CJ Advisory Council, GoTo2040 E-News Archive, a link to LOGIN to the WebBoard GoTo2040 Forum, and details on How To Use the WebBoard Forum?. The website can be viewed at <http://www.icjia.state.il.us/GoTo2040>

Staff is currently developing a new INFONET Website in order provide INFONET Users with access to: Security Software (SmartPass) Information, Tech Support, FAQs, Training Calendar, Training Manuals, Service Definitions, INFONET Data Collections Forms, User Groups information, listing of INFONET User Agencies, an INFONET Publications Section, and setting up a INFONET EMAIL Distribution Lists for the Child Advocacy Centers, Domestic Violence Centers, and Sexual Assault Centers. The website is currently under construction at <http://www.icjia.state.il.us/infonets>

Staff is currently developing a new redesign of Criminal Justice DataNet Website to enhance web access and on-line presentation formats of the Authority's holdings of criminal justice and social risk factor data.

Staff is currently developing a new redesign of the Illinois Integrated Justice Information System (IJIS) Website to enhance web access to further the mission of the IJIS Implementation Board. IJIS is an intergovernmental effort dedicated to improving the administration of justice in Illinois by facilitating the electronic sharing of justice information throughout the state. It is a collaborative effort charged with enhancing public safety by making complete, accurate, and timely offender-based information available to all justice decision makers.

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.

V. CONTINUING STAFF DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

- On January 12th, staff attended a seminar on Women in the Criminal Justice System.

VI. AWARDS AND HONORS

Staff member Carolyn Rebecca Block was honored in November by receiving the 2008 Saltzman Award for Contributions to Practice. Awarded by the Division on Women and Crime, American Society of Criminology, the Saltzman Award for Contributions to Practice recognizes a criminologist whose professional accomplishments have increased the quality of justice and the level of safety for women. It honors unique achievements combining scholarship, persuasion, activism and commitment, particularly work that has made a deep impact on the quality of justice for women, as well as a wide impact (interdisciplinary, international, or cross-cultural).

Internship program.

Under the direct supervision of a senior staff member in the Research and Analysis Unit, interns are hired to perform a variety of information functions relating to critical issues facing the Illinois criminal justice system. There is no compensation for these positions, but interns may be able to use the experience as course credit.

cc: Lori G. Levin
Hank Anthony

Appendix A – Most recent publications

RESEARCH BULLETINS / BRIEFS / TECHNICAL MANUALS

Prescription drug abuse, drug treatment needs on rise in Illinois (November 2008)

Appendix B – Information Request Handling Statistics

October 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

ITEM	REQUESTS/Pct
Information requests handled:	35
Monthly average number of requests:	11.6
Geographic Origin of requesters:	
Chicago metropolitan area	20%
Other region of Illinois	34%
U.S. other than Illinois	26%
Outside the U.S.	0%
Unknown	20%
Type of requester:	
Government agency	17%
Private agency	20%
Researcher	6%
Student	11%
Citizen	46%
Media	0%
Legislators	0%
Inmates	0%
Method of request:	
Telephone/fax	40%
Mail	23%
Email/Internet	0%
In-person	0%
ICJIA Website	37%
Publications disseminated:	
Mailed in response to requests	0
Downloaded from Website	261,939
Total	261,974

Appendix C – Authority Website Trends

www.icjia.state.il.us

October 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

Month/Year	Hits		User Sessions			Visitors			File Downloads	CJ DISPATCH SUBSCRIBERS
	Entire Site	Average Per Day	Sessions	Average Per Day	Average Length (min)	Unique	One-Time	Repeat		
Oct-08	687,476	22,176	68,809	2,219	27	32,371	27,764	4,607	97,179	2,660
Nov-08	593,311	19,777	57,634	1,921	36	27,789	24,583	3,206	87,319	2,670
Dec-08	600,689	19,637	53,392	1,722	30	25,588	22,744	2,844	77,441	2,678
TOTAL	1,881,476	61,590	179,835	1,954	31	85,748	75,091	10,657	261,939	
MONTHLY AVERAGE	627,159		59,945			28,583	25,030	3,552	87,313	



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Herbert Johnson
IIJIS Project Manager

Date: February 17, 2009

Re: Illinois Integrated Justice Information System Project Update
November 2008 through February 2009

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

IIJIS Planning and Policy Committee

- The Planning and Policy Committee reinstated its series of teleconferences to continue its work on developing a new strategic plan for IIJIS. The new document entitled the Strategic Direction for Enterprise Information Sharing was presented to the Implementation Board which approved the concept and the approach the committee was taking. The committee met on January 12, 2009 and began to refocus on the strategic issues that were vetted to the subject matter experts. The committee met again on February 9, 2009 and completed its review of the seven strategic issues. The committee decided that it would vet two issues that address efficient information technology infrastructure and the establishment of reliable and efficient standards/regulations for data sharing with some additional technology experts. The committee plans to present its recommendations at the next Implementation Board meeting.

IIJIS Outreach Committee

- The Outreach Committee met on January 13, 2009 and began discussions for the 2009 IIJIS Summit on integration and information sharing. The theme that was suggested is an Illinois Counties Showcase. The committee wants to showcase the integration successes in Illinois at the county level. It was also suggested that this year's Summit take place in the Chicagoland region in order to get greater participation from both the stakeholders and vendors. At its February 10, 2009 meeting, the Outreach Committee continued the planning process for the Summit. We discussed logistics, programmatic activities and the handling of the website for registration of participants and vendors. Additionally, workgroups are being formed to respond to the various tasks that will need to be completed.



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IIJIS Technical Committee

- The Technical Committee met on January 6th and again on January 23rd to vet IIJIS Strategic Issue 5: Establishing standards/regulations for data sharing and infrastructure development, and Strategic Issue 6: Secure, reliable, effective, and efficient information technology (IT) infrastructure that facilitates justice information sharing. The Committee also discussed the National Criminal History Improvement Program, and the possibility of a grant application being generated by an agency involved in the IIJIS initiative. Commander Lewin also gave an overview of the Regional CLEAR program from the Chicago Police Department.

IIJIS Funding Committee

- The Funding Committee met on January 15, 2009, and reviewed its deliverables and set priorities for the committee. One of the major priorities for the committee is to get representation outside of Cook County, and to talk to private foundations to obtain information about integration funding that may be available to IIJIS and its partners.

IIJIS Governance

- The IIJIS Implementation Board met on January 29, 2009, preceded by a meeting of the Executive Steering Committee. Meeting dates have been set for the remainder of the year, with the objective to continue to move the IIJIS initiative forward this year with accomplishments from each of the committees. Each committee chair provided an update as to their committee activities and work plans for their yearly deliverables. Each chair was also asked to submit a list of accomplishments to be included in the IIJIS Annual Report.

IIJIS Privacy Policy Guidance Volume II

- The Privacy Policy Subcommittee is vetting the I-CLEAR Privacy Policy Guidance for the analysis and sharing of electronic police incident report data. This is proposed privacy policy for the Illinois State Police I-CLEAR System. It will also be a foundation for the development of Privacy Policy Guidance Volume II. The subcommittee is scheduled to meet on February 24, 2009.



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Office of the General Counsel

Memorandum

To: Authority Board Members

From: Jack Cutrone, General Counsel

Date: February 25, 2009

Office of the General Counsel Report for the March 6, 2009 Authority Board Meeting

This memorandum highlights significant events and the work performed by the Office of General Counsel since the last OGC Report.

Legal Advice to Authority Staff and Grant Review, etc.

The staff of the Office of General Counsel continues to perform its role as legal advisor to the staff of the Authority and to provide legal review of grants and related documents, contracts, and the like. Since the last Authority meeting, OGC has reviewed approximately 79 grant Interagency Agreements, amendments and revisions, grantee contracts with vendors, subrecipients, procurement documents, etc.

OGC staff continues to make periodic and necessary modifications to the Authority form agreements and related documents in order to conform to changes in federal and state law, regulations and good practice. In order to assist in compliance with DOJ's Office of Civil Rights reporting of grants to faith-based organizations, we are modifying our Interagency Agreement forms to allow grantees to self-report that they consider themselves to be a faith-based organization and will be adding that as a data field in the agency's ongoing process to revise our electronic grants database in order to report to the Office of Civil Rights with respect to grants to faith-based organizations.

OGC staff continue to regularly review Authority publications prior to release for potential legal issues. OGC staff has begun working on an article to be included in the next Complier dealing with the Adam Walsh Act and compliance issues.

As part of OGC's responsibilities, staff members researched a number of topics for Authority staff and prepared legal memoranda. OGC has implemented two new policies

regarding proof of non-profit status for our grantees and regarding signature authorizations for grantees. OGC staff has reviewed the draft ISP I-Clear Privacy Policy in preparation for further review by the IIJIS Privacy Policy Subcommittee. OGC staff also prepared spreadsheets documenting changes to the Illinois Domestic Violence Act since the publication of the last DV Protocol and tracking changes to the Illinois Juvenile Court Act since 2005.

Authority Staff Training

OGC staff presented two trainings to FSGU staff, one on the issues of match and supplanting and one on the issues of agreement amendments and procurements. A training on the Open Meetings Act was also presented to the IIJIS Board and written materials on the topic were supplied to the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council.

Motor Vehicle Trust Fund Suit

Nothing of significance has occurred since the last Authority meeting. A recap however is provided: The Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, by statute, operates within the aegis of the Authority. The Council and its program are funded from the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund. On May 22, 2006, the Property Casualty Insurers' Association of America, a trade group, filed a lawsuit in the Circuit Court of Sangamon County naming the Governor, the Authority, the Council, the Executive Director and others as defendants. The suit alleged the unconstitutionality of Budget Implementation Acts for several fiscal years which transferred monies from the trust fund to the state's general revenue fund. The defendants are represented by the Attorney General in the lawsuit. The Plaintiff filed a motion for summary judgment and the Attorney General filed a response on behalf of the defendants. Both sides presented argument on the motion on November 2, 2007. After hearing oral arguments from both sides, on January 9, 2008, the trial judge entered an order denying plaintiff's motion for summary judgment. At this stage, either the defendants will file a motion for summary judgment, or the case will proceed to trial. The case is currently in pretrial stages and nothing of significance has occurred since the January ruling. According to the Assistant Attorney General handling the matter for the Authority and the other defendants, the state is pursuing another similar suit currently with the expectation that the two cases might be consolidated at the appellate stage at some later point.

Legislation

In previous OGC reports, the Adam Walsh Act was discussed. The Act requires states to meet stringent guidelines in the areas of offender registration and community notification. Under the Adam Walsh Act, states have until 2009 to implement necessary changes or face the loss of 10% of its funding under the Justice Assistance Grant Program, which is now the major grant funding source for ICJIA grant funding. ICJIA, the Department of Corrections, the State Police and the Attorney General's office continue to work together toward drafting legislation that would begin the process of putting Illinois in compliance with Adam Walsh. At the same time, the agencies mentioned are working together to

obtain a one year extension of time in which to comply with the AWA while Illinois take steps to come into full compliance.

The Authority has legislation pending sponsored by Representative Connie Howard to ensure continued compliance with the Violence Against Women Act by meeting the Act's requirement that individuals convicted of domestic battery be advised that federal statutes might prohibit their possession of firearms. Failure to comply would result in a loss of VAWA funding. The bill number is HB 2610.

Requests for Information

The OGC responded to two Freedom of Information Act Requests and a variety of general requests for information.

Boards and Conferences

OGC staff member Sean O'Brien attended a STOP VAWA Administrators Conference conducted by the Department of Justice. Authority General Counsel Jack Cutrone, continues to act as the Executive Director's designee to the Sex Offender Management Board.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Anthony Jenkins
Date: February 26, 2009
Re: Information Systems Unit Report

Since the last report to Authority members, progress has been made in the following areas of the Information Services Unit (ISU).

Systems Support Quarterly Report

Systems support continues its technical support to the agency internal and external users along with the support of the agency local and wide area networks. Maintaining, upgrading and updating the existing systems remain the top priority. Technical resources are being used to troubleshoot servers, computers and other network peripherals as needed. The agency systems, CLARIS, InfoNet, GMIS, and Web Services are being monitored and backed up. CLARIS reports are being generated on a weekly basis and the results provided to the Claris staff.

Working with OAS unit on acquiring new licensees for our expired MSDN Subscriptions, this product will help our development teams be more efficient, effective, and productive by providing a cost-effective way to license Microsoft platforms and tools, receive technical support, and gain priority access to new versions of Microsoft products, including developer tools, Microsoft operating systems, server software, and productivity applications.

ICJIA staff is continuing to work on updating our Disaster Recovery Plan; we are working on the identification of personnel that will be assigned to the Information Systems disaster contingency plan team. These individuals will have responsibilities in assisting in the recovery of the essential applications; they will have clear guidelines outlining their responsibilities. The plan provides guidelines for ensuring that needed personnel and resources are available for both disaster preparation, response time, and that the proper steps will be carried out to permit the timely restoration of services.

Working on configuring Webtrends which will give the Authority information about our INFONET and CLARIS website's visitors, activity statistics, accessed files, Days of

week and rush hours, Domains/countries of host's visitors, search engines, browsers, operating systems, and more. The program produces easy-to-read HTML reports that include both text information (tables) and charts.

Continue to update the Authority's ISU Tech Notes Resource Center, on our intranet site, this section will highlight useful computer related resources and tips, and try to demystify technology and help people understand the new gizmos, and procedures.

Continue to work on configuring Microsoft Visual SourceSafe, which is a source control software package. SourceSafe creates a virtual library of computer files. Programmers can read any of the files in the library at any time, but in order to change them, they must first "check out" the file. They are then allowed to modify the file and finally check it back in.

Continuing to work with OAS on acquiring a Disk-Based Backup and Recovery system to replace our Traditional Backup Methodology. We have received a quote for the Disk Base system, which is made up of two devices, Quantum Scalar 50 Library (\$15,056.00) two LTO-3 tape drives 38 slots 4Gb native Fiber Channel Scalar 50 is the easy-to-use library platform that gives growing mid-range and entry backup environments user-friendly, reliable backup and restore capabilities with features that simplify everything from initial set-up to adding capacity over time, and a DXi3500 (\$31,405.50) disk-based backup appliance which uses data de-duplication technology to increase the amount of backup data users can retain on disk by 10 to 50 times. Quantum's DXi3500 provides fast and reliable backup and restore and they make WAN replication a practical, cost-effective part of disaster recovery planning.

The Authority's Help Desk Remedy program is a problem request tracking system. It allows the Authority to track information about itself as well as internal and external requests placed upon our technical support staff. This information is tracked using various Remedy applications. Total number of Remedy Tickets for this quarter is sixty seven.

Hardware Problems:

The following servers and printers had hardware problems for this quarter:

- CUBS2 (Dell 2680) Server encountered a controller failure, which required us to replace the SCSI disc drive.
- CUBS (Dell 2680) server cooling fan was replaced, due to an overheating failure.
- HP 8150 LaserJet printer has encounter a low voltage problem, this is seven year old printer has had numerous problems in the last few months, were looking into comparable replacement.

The Authority has been requested by CMS to move its Domain Name System (DNS) entries that are housed on CMS educational site; to Enterprise Network Service's DNS servers. We are working with CMS on moving these DNS table entries from the CMS network to Enterprise Network Services DNS servers.

ISU technical staff is working with R&A unit on transferring very large data sets from their remote ChriAudit_3 server, which is located at the JRTC, to another R&A server that's located locally at the 300 W Adams facility. The reason for this movement of files is due to networking speed. The Servers at the JRTC are using Six T1 lines, which operate at nine megabytes, versus our local area network which operates at one hundred megabyte speeds.

System support has installed new version 17.0 of SPSS (Statistical Package for the Social Sciences). SPSS is predictive analytics software to anticipate change, manage both daily operations and special initiatives more effectively, and realize positive, measurable benefits.

GMIS (Grants Management Information System):

GMIS has a new program called CMA/EAPPP. We have to add it to different tables in the master database, created the select option in the monthly status reports and other modification, such as assigning different Fed Appropriated number when adding a new Voucher and Obligation.

eGMIS (Electronic Grants Management Information System):

ISU programming staff is continuing to work on the eGMIS system, they are working on a design document, which will be a way for staff to communicate to one another what our design decisions are and why if our decisions are good or not, we are also performing risk assessments for eGMIS project.

The Information Technology Auditor was informed, that the eGmis project completion date has been extended to July 31, 2009, due to a top priority project which has been completed, and the programming staff is continuing to work on eGMIS project. Beta testing should begin in the month of March, 2009

CLARIS (Clandestine Lab Reporting Information System):

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. CLARIS is the web interface and database that was developed by staff to allow Illinois law enforcement agency personnel to enter meth lab seizure data, access these data, and extract these data from customized queries. It is currently operational and successfully collecting data from ISP's Meth Response Teams

(MRT), Metropolitan Enforcement Groups (MEGs) and Drug Taskforces, agencies in sixty two counties of Illinois have used the CLARIS project.

Continue with PGP Encryption Applications testing, PGP is a public-key encryption program. It uses three known algorithms to encrypt, sign, decrypt, and authenticate messages. It converts the digitally encoded message or signature into a format suitable for text transmission by use of 'Radix-64'. ISU Technical staff will install PGP on Chris Devitt system for use with CHRI data that she will be sending to Urban Institute.

IIJIS (Illinois Integrated Justice Information System Survey Project):

Programming staff continues to code the Interface for the IIJIS Web Survey project; this survey will assist IIJIS in gathering data to help promote the integration of justice information systems and the development of systems that enhance integration.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Board Members
From: Cristin Monti Evans, Public Information Officer
Date: February 26, 2009
Re: Office of Public Information Report for the March 6, 2009, Authority Board Meeting

The Office of Public Information (OPI) designs, edits and publishes the Authority's written materials, including press releases, the agency's annual report, *The Compiler*, and other publications such as Research Reports, Research Bulletins, and Program Evaluation Summaries. OPI staff also responds to information requests from the public, the media, and others.

Publications. OPI staff edited, designed, and published online a variety of ICJIA publications. This quarter, OPI:

- Drafted, edited, and designed Fall 2008/Winter 2009 *Compiler*, "*Trends in Illinois campus crime.*"
- Initiated compilation, drafting, editing and design of the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority Fiscal Year 2008 Annual Report to the governor and General Assembly.
- Edited Research Report, "*Examining at-risk and delinquent girls in Illinois.*"

Other activities. OPI also:

- Coordinated Authority Member Handbook update.
- Edited resolution for the Criminal Justice Section Council and the Women and the Law Committee of the Illinois State Bar to urge VOCA cap increase and resumption of victim service funding to 2006 levels.

- Coordinated material and information dissemination for possible Authority college campus crime study coverage by the Chicago Tribune.
- Coordinated other media requests from reporters seeking data on domestic violence and homicide, meth arrests, Ceasefire funding, and teen dating violence.
- Continued design of new logo for the updated CJ DataNet, the Authority's online statistical database available to the public. CJ DataNet is being enhanced to allow public availability of data on all aspects of the criminal justice system, including offenses, arrests, court filings, sentences, and corrections, for both juveniles and adults.
- Edited the CJ Dispatch, e-mailed twice monthly to ICJIA website users.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Hank Anthony, Associate Director for Administrative services
Date: February 26, 2009
Re: Summary of Office of Administrative Services Activities

The Office of Administrative Services continues to support the day to day activities of the Authority to include: mail operations, supply room operation, security, reception, procurement of goods and services, vehicle maintenance, telecommunications coordination, property inventory control, Authority database maintenance, internal staff moves and travel and conference coordination activities.