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Regular Meeting
Friday September 9, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.
120 South Riverside Plaza, 21st Floor Conference Room
Chicago

AGENDA

- Call to Order and Roll Call
- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the June 3, 2005 Regular Meeting
- Chairman's Remarks
- 2. Executive Director's Remarks
- 3. Budget Committee Report (*Eugene E. Murphy Jr. Chair*)
 - a. Report on the June 20, 2005 and the September 7, 2005 Meetings
 - b. Fiscal Report
- Assessing Disproportionate Minority Contact: Illinois Juvenile Justice System
- Adjourn

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY

June 3, 2005
120 S. Riverside Plaza, 21st Floor
Chicago, Illinois

Call to Order and Roll Call

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

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

Cook County Circuit Court Clerk, Dorothy Brown
Mr. Brad Demuzio
Cook County State's Attorney Richard Devine
Ms. Barbara Engel
State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor Director Norbert Goetten
State Appellate Defender Theodore Gottfried
Attorney General Designee Ellen Mandeltort
Mr. John Piland
Cook County Board President John Stroger
Director Larry Trent

Approval of the Minutes of the March 4, 2005 Authority Meeting

{Director Goetten made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 4, 2005. State's Attorney Devine seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.}

Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Sorosky noted that the Chicago Police Department presentation scheduled for today's meeting had been cancelled and will be rescheduled.

Executive Director's Report

Director Levin noted that Sheriff Bukowski's appointment to the Authority had expired and that Macon County Sheriff Jerry Dawson has replaced him. Chairman Sorosky then read a draft Resolution of Commendation acknowledging Sheriff Bukowski's contributions to the Authority.

{State's Attorney Devine made a motion to adopt the Resolution of Commendation. The motion was seconded by Director Trent and adopted unanimously.}

Director Levin introduced Jan Cichowlas as the new Associate Director for Research and Analysis, and noted that Ron Reichgelt had been promoted to a supervisory position in the Federal and State Grants Unit.

Director Levin highlighted several items that were contained in the mailing. She noted that we have issued some publications including one to highlight methamphetamine in Illinois communities. She noted that new Iowa strangulation legislation was passed as a result of research findings of the Authority's Chicago Women's Health Risk Study. She reported that we are finalizing profession-specific balanced and restorative justice guides and continuing to support the operation and evaluation of the Sheridan Correctional Center through the process and impact evaluation. She also indicated that we have applied for a series of grants to conduct research in the areas of

homicides of infants and toddlers, as well as the impact on methamphetamine in Illinois we have also collaborated with the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts for a grant from the National Institute of Corrections.

Director Levin reported that ALERTS is continuing to be migrated from the HP3000 platform and the PIMSNet rollout continues. She noted that Authority staff met with the PIMS and ALERTS advisory board and indicated that while we would not seek a rate increase during the current billing cycle, we are reserving the right to raise the rates in six months due to the financial condition of the Criminal Justice Information Systems Trust Fund. She said that we continue to make improvements to the systems and will try to continue to work with the users.

Director Levin noted that two VOI/TIS awards for local jail construction were designated in April 2005. She indicated that these were awarded as a result of a request for proposals. She reported that we are now at the maximum amount of local money for VOI/TIS but have asked for discretion from the federal government to provide more funds to local jails.

Director Levin noted that the IJIS Summit will be held on June 9th. Clerk Brown added the IJIS Summit was doing very well. Ms. Brown invited all of the Authority members to attend the Summit and noted that Secretary of State Jessie White will be the keynote speaker.

Director Levin said that staff has internally been meeting to try and suggest how to proceed with planning for Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) once our award is received. She said that we are updating the trends analysis data and reviewing the 2000 plan. She indicated that Congress is contemplating a significant reduction in JAG funds for federal fiscal year 2006. She said that she and Robert Boehmer visited with various members of congressional staff to explain the impact of JAG reductions.

President Stroger said that he had spoken to Director Levin regarding the possibility of obtaining funds for Cook County for a day care center on the grounds of the boot camp for women. He indicated that the county is half of the population of the state. He said that when money is coming in, it is the county board's responsibility to see that the funds are allocated properly. He said that they have a large number of parole violators in the Cook County Jail at all times and that he needs to make things easy on the taxpayers of Cook County. Director Levin noted that in response to the request for proposals, Cook County requested cameras in the jail, and not the day care center. President Stroger said that as president of the county board he needs to make sure that all of the county officials work collaboratively. He said that the county board is responsible for funding these criminal justice activities and that they need to know where funds are being allocated. Director Levin said that she will make sure in the future that President Stroger's office is notified of any requests for proposals.

In response to a question from Director Gottfried, Director Levin said that we are working with the National Criminal Justice Association to make sure that Illinois' and other states' concerns regarding the reduction of JAG funds are being communicated to Congress. She suggested that Authority members may also want to contact members of Congress regarding this issue. Mr. Boehmer noted that the NCJA put together a website that provides some background material regarding the impact of JAG cuts. In response to a comment by Ms. Engel, Director Levin noted that we wrote a letter to media outlets expressing our concern about justice funding cuts.

Budget Committee Report

Associate Director Milano reported that the Budget Committee met on May 10th and considered and approved many actions under several federal programs. Actions included ADAA adjustments for fiscal years 97 through 04, which included continuation funding for several programs. Over one million dollars in continuation funding was approved to move programs to the end of their 48-month funding cycle. She indicated that the most significant actions were related to criminal history improvement funds. She reported that nearly 8 million dollars has been designated in funding for CHRI purposes. The Authority staff expects to fund the purchase of approximately 150 to 200 new Livescan machines or slightly more than five million dollars for local law enforcement agencies. The Budget Committee also approved two million in funding for the second and third phases of the Illinois State Police enhanced automated fingerprint identification plan.

She also indicated that funds were designated for the CHRI audit center, for integrated justice projects, and for two sets of actions intended to enhance officer and public safety at a local level. This includes an additional \$1,156,211 in Byrne funds to increase the number of proposals we are able to fund for this year's LLEBG RFP. It also will include \$380,000 for equipment grants to various MEGs and task forces. Associate Director Milano noted that the RFP is being prepared for those funds.

Associate Director Milano said other significant funds being designated include the Attorney General's Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) certification program, and the Chicago Police Departments responses to domestic violence program. Finally, she reported that Winnebago and Moultrie Counties were awarded funds for local jail construction projects.

Chairman Sorosky then asked Associate Director Ted Miller to provide a brief financial overview of the Authority's financial operations. Mr. Miller explained the exhibits contained in the mailing and discussed the Authority's fiscal year 2006 budget. He indicated that the budget was passed as expected and included an additional appropriation of \$150,000 in general revenue funds for the cost and expenses related to the Capital Punishment Study Reform Commission. He also noted that there were fund transfers from the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund, the Criminal Justice Projects Fund, and the Criminal Justice Information Systems Trust Fund. Director Levin reported that we will figure out a way to make due with the fund transfers. She reported that there is a borrowing mechanism that we can use if there are cash flow issues in those funds.

Director Gottfried reported that he has learned that the Illinois State Police will not seal certain felonies unless they receive funding for that purpose. In response to a question from Director Gottfried, Director Trent indicated that the Illinois State Police did not receive funding for that purpose and therefore will not be sealing those records.

In response to a question from Clerk Brown, Illinois State Police Deputy Director Bouche indicated that the process to seal certain records under certain circumstances is incredibly complex. He said that the fee people pay for sealing records covers the steps it takes to walk through the process, but about a half of a million dollars of programming is needed to create an environment where the Illinois State Police can actually seal a record for some people but not for others because the law calls for the sealing to occur but allows law enforcement and school officials to see the record under certain conditions. He said that their current system does not have the capacity to do that. Because of that, the General Assembly agreed that the sealing would only take effect one year after they have received the funding.

Deputy Director Bouche noted that it is a two-stage process. The first process is taking the legacy system and moving it to a more advanced platform. This will cost \$800,000 and will be funded with NCHIP funds through the Authority. In response to a question from Clerk Brown, Deputy Director Bouche reiterated that the Illinois State Police can seal records, however they do not have the ability to make only some of those available under certain circumstances. He indicated that manual checks of the hundreds of thousands of records would be impossible for the state police to accomplish.

Clerk Brown reminded members that we will have to accept the implications of this – the judge can order records sealed, but the records will not be sealed. She said that someone will need to let those people know that their records are not sealed. Deputy Director Bouche indicated that the Illinois State Police has been working with the State Appellate Defender on a bulletin that they could issue which would relay this information to the counties. In response to a question from Clerk Brown, Deputy Director Bouche said that there is a specific exemption in the legislation that authorizes the Illinois State Police to comply only if they receive funding to do so.

Director Gottfried expressed his concern that there is a tremendous interest in this whole area. He said that their phone lines are constantly filled with requests for information about expungement and sealing. He said that it is a huge issue because there is now a standard practice for companies to do background checks and seek law enforcement records. He was concerned that some companies are operating on the assumption that if a person is arrested for something, that means they are guilty. He indicated that people go through the expungement/sealing process in order to have a clean record to obtain a job. He said that it is a concern that people go through the process but their records are not sealed. Clerk Brown indicated that this issue needs to be fixed this veto session.

State's Attorney Devine noted that he and others would be attending a town meeting later this month which will also

involve some of the congressional delegation. He said that this issue should be discussed and that we should let our legislators and the governor know that a gap has been created that seems to null a well-intentioned law. President Stroger reiterated that this issue has to be brought to the attention of the legislature. In response to a question from Mr. Piland, Deputy Director Bouche said that as opposed to expungement, sealing allows certain people to review a record. In the past, it has mostly been law enforcement who was allowed to view a sealed record. He said that for sealing there are conditions that could return it to the permanent record. With an expungement, the record is permanently gone. He said that the Illinois State Police can seal records now and can expunge them, but cannot seal records and then make them viewable by distinct non-law enforcement agencies under certain circumstances.

New Business

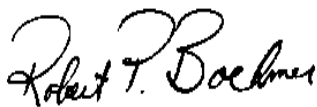
Director Levin noted that the Information Systems Committee met on May 2nd. She noted that a report on the meeting would be distributed later but there is one piece of business that needs to be discussed now. She then called on Karen Levy-McCanna to present information about the criminal history records improvement plan to the Authority. Ms. McCanna noted that the last tab in the mailing included the version of the plan which was recently approved by the Information Systems Committee. She said that the plan is required by the Bureau of Justice Assistance as a condition of spending criminal history record improvement set-aside funds. She indicated that there were some last minute edits that need to be brought to the Authority's attention. While most of the edits are grammatical, she said that the objective for the Illinois State Police to hold county-wide meetings has been removed from the plan at the request of the Illinois State Police. She indicated that other training initiatives are still included in the plan. In response to a question from Ms. Mandeltort, Deputy Director Bouche indicated that very few people attended the meetings and that other methods of training such as regional meetings, newsletters and field staff visiting sites that are having difficulties are more effective. He also said that a website will be developed for more interactive assistance as well.

{A motion to adopt the Criminal History Records Improvement Plan, as amended, was made by Ms, Brown, seconded by Mr. Demuzio and passed unanimously.}

Adjourn

{Upon a motion by Mr. Piland, seconded by Ms .Mandletort, and adopted by unanimous voice vote, Chairman Sorosky adjourned the meeting.}

Respectfully Submitted,



Robert P. Boehmer
Secretary and General Counsel



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MEMORANDUM

To: Authority Members
From: Ted Miller
Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: August 22, 2005
Re: Summary of Office of Fiscal Management Activities

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

Reports

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

- FY05 4th Quarter Accounts Receivable Reports.
- Submitted FY06 Spending Plan by Fund for the GOMB.
- Quarterly Federal Financial Status Reports for direct and formula grant awards.
- Cost center reports for agency operations and federal grant cost centers.
- Monthly Variance Reports preparation and Analysis for the GOMB.

Accounts Receivable

- Reviewed the billing process to ensure all customers are billed properly.

Federal Grants

- Conducted preliminary budget reviews of approximately 188 interagency agreements.
- Processed 201 contract obligation documents (\$18,967,948) and 416 vouchers (\$15,450,629) for federal grants to state and local governments and not-for-profit agencies.

General Agency Obligation

- Completed obligation, expenditure and cash reconciliations for six funds.
- Appropriations are in place for FY06 and we have begun spending accordingly.

Audit

- The biannual Audit cycle has begun with firm of Duffner & Company conducting the audit. The Authority is awaiting information for the State of Illinois Single Audit to begin for all statewide federal funds.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Janice A. Cichowlas, Associate Director
Research and Analysis Unit

Date: August 18, 2005

Re: Research and Analysis Unit Report – September 9, 2005 Authority Meeting (June through August, 2005)

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

I. ONGOING ACTIVITIES

A. Publications and Office of Public Information

Since the last Authority meeting, the Research & Analysis Unit has developed a new template, which will be called "Research At A Glance". This short and succinct publication will provide bullet summaries of longer research papers. The summaries can be shared with policy makers and others who prefer a "quick read". The link to the full document will be available on our website. New publications since the last Authority Board meeting include:

- Reducing Public Violence and Homicide in Chicago: Strategies and Tactics of the Chicago Police Department
- The Rise in Reported Elder Abuse: A Review of State and National Data.

Other publications releases slated for completion before the meeting include:

- Children's Risk of Homicide: Victimization Rates from Birth to Age 14, Chicago, 1965 to 1999.

- o A Decade of Trends in Illinois Crime: 1995-2004
- o Implementing BARJ: A Guide for Prosecutors

Finally, from time to time R & A staff publish work outside of the Authority. During the second quarter of FY05, R & A staff wrote the following publications:

- o "Battered Women Seeking Help: Police Contact and Experiences," by Kim Davies of Augusta State University, Jacquelyn Campbell of Johns Hopkins School of Nursing and Carolyn Rebecca Block was presented at the annual intensive workshop of the Homicide Research Working Group, and will be published in the Proceedings.
- o A page 1 story in the JRSA Forum (Volume 23, No. 2, June 2005) highlighted new Idaho strangulation legislation that was based in part on results of the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study.

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

Press Releases. OPI staff prepared the following press release since the last Authority meeting. The releases, which are available on the Authority's website, are summarized below:

- o July 5, 2005: Governor announces \$16,000 for Naperville youth mentoring program targeting at-risk girls

CHICAGO — Gov. Rod Blagojevich today announced a \$16,000 grant to support the Women Involved in Girls' Success program. Also known as WINGS, this Naperville Police Department initiative identifies high-risk female adolescents and connects them with positive adult female role models.

Other releases that are slated for publication before the meeting include:

Governor announces \$3.5 million to fight meth. and other drugs across Illinois

Other OPI activities:

- o Continued editing and design of five balanced and restorative justice guidebooks.
- o Edited the CJ Dispatch, e-mailed twice monthly to ICJIA website users.

B. Briefings/Presentations

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

- Homicide Research Working Group.
- Office of The Illinois Attorney General Victim Assistance Academy.
- National Institute of Corrections Evidence-Based Programming Initiative.
- Illinois Governor's Statewide Community Safety and Reentry Working Group.
- Redeploy Illinois Oversight Board.
- Illinois Balanced and Restorative Justice Initiative.
- AOIC's Evidence-Based Programming Initiative Statewide Policy Group.
- AOIC's Evidence-Based Programming Initiative Research Subcommittee.
- Illinois Going Home project executive committee.
- Office of the Attorney General Methamphetamine Healthcare Advisory Committee research working group.
- Southern Illinois Methamphetamine Awareness Conference.
- Statewide Epidemiologic Workgroup of the Strategic Prevention Project.
- IJIS Summit Publicity and Promotions Committee.
- Illinois Methamphetamine Advisory Committee.
- Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and Grant Review Committee.
- Crime Analysts of Illinois Association meetings.
- Chicago Crime Commission Child Exploitation and Prostitution Coalition Meeting.
- Illinois State Police's Electronic Recording of Interviews Training.
- Office of the Attorney General Illinois Youth Court Association Advisory Board.
- Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, Terrorism Private Sector Subcommittee.
- Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives grant sites meeting.
- Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives partners meeting.
- Chicago Women's Bar Association brown bag lunch introduction to the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.
- Administrative Office of the Illinois Court Detention Managers Meeting.
- Circuit Court Clerk's Zone (5) Meeting, Introduction of CHRI Audit, explanation of auditing procedures, and benefits of auditing.
- Livescan User's Meetings, sharing of information regarding the funding of livescan via the Authority and benefits of participating with the CHRI audit project.
- Society of Professional Journalists/Chicago Headline Club.
- Mental Health and Law Enforcement Meeting hosted by the U.S. Attorney—Central District of Illinois; Jail/Mental Health Training Curriculum Development Subcommittee Meeting.
- Illinois Association of Drug Court Professionals.
- The Tina Ball Memorial DUI Taskforce, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County.
- Domestic Violence Curriculum and Training Task Force Meeting.
- Illinois State Bar Association Special Committee Planning Conference on Overrepresentation of Minorities in the Juvenile Justice System.
- Law Enforcement Agency Data System (LEADS) Advisory Board Meeting.

~ In June, a paper "Young Homicide Offenders in Chicago" by Kim Vogt and Carolyn Rebecca Block was accepted for presentation at the American Society of Criminology meetings, November 15-19, 2005.

~ In June, a paper "Patterns and Contextual Characteristics of Fatal and Nonfatal Violence against the Elderly" by Ronet Bachman and Carolyn Rebecca Block was accepted for presentation at the American Society of Criminology meetings, November 15-19, 2005.

C. Criminal Justice Information Clearinghouse

The Authority serves as a statewide clearinghouse for statistics and other information about the criminal justice system. Between April 1 and June 30, R & A staff responded to 246 requests from people seeking information — an average of 82 requests per month. Most came from the general public (38 percent) and other governmental agencies (28 percent). Other requests came from private agencies (13 percent), researchers (11 percent), students (6 percent), news media representatives (4 percent), and prison inmates (<1 percent). About 22 percent of the requests originated in the Chicago metropolitan area. Thirty-eight percent originated in other parts of the state. All other requests for information were received from outside Illinois (20 percent) and unknown areas (20 percent). R & A distributed 79,669 Authority publications during this period. [TABLE 1 (attached) provides statistics for the latest state fiscal year quarter.]

D. Website Development

R & A staff continued development of the Authority's website (www.icjia.state.il.us). Staff expanded the criminal justice data and information available on the site. News Digest Summary and National Law Enforcement and Corrections Training Center News have been added to the publications section of the website and provide visitors a variety of links to other criminal justice articles and publications. In addition, CJ Tips were added to the site's front page, featuring frequently updated tips and criminal justice-related information. We also continue to actively gather user satisfaction information and other feedback online. The site averaged more than 1,860 daily user sessions during this period, and 1,809 registered users currently receive the e-mailed CJ Dispatch, automatically alerting them to the latest information added to the site. Staff continue to work on database applications and new software for the site, which will allow visitors to download, display, and graph data in a variety of formats. [Table 2 (attached) presents website statistics for the latest state fiscal year quarter.]

The Authority's website administers the CWHRS Forum, focusing on research and policy issues related to the risk of intimate partner homicide. The CWHRS Forum has 78 registered users. The forum requires little staff time, but members say that it is very useful to them.

E. FSGU Support Efforts

Upon request, R & A staff review and comment on proposed program narratives submitted by potential grantees to FSGU. The focus of R & A comments are in the areas of proposed objectives, goals, and performance measures. FSGU staff also request R & A assistance in the development of data reports for proposed programs. During the third quarter of FY05, R & A staff continued to work with FSGU staff responsible for the VAWA and JAIBG funds to develop data reports for grantees that include the federally mandated performance measures. This effort will allow federal agencies to improve their reporting of the performance of these grant programs at the state and federal level. R & A staff has also assumed responsibility for the computerization of some program performance data and, upon FSGU request, produced program status reports and/or profiles assessing performance over a given period of time. Research staff also accompany FSGU staff on grant monitoring site visits; provide training to VOCA grantees on objectives, performance measures, and data reports to capture that information. *[Table 3 (attached) presents FSGU support statistics for the latest state fiscal year quarter.]*

F. Technical Assistance

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

- Staff submitted all of the instruments from the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study to the Justice Research Statistics Association, for the JRSA Survey Library. CWHRS instruments include (in English and Spanish) consent forms, screeners, initial clinic questionnaire, first and second follow-up clinic questionnaires, and proxy interviews for male and female homicides.
- Staff continued to provide limited assistance to several third-party research projects involving studies of individuals' criminal history records.
- Staff continued working with the Illinois Department of Correction's Going Home Program's Reentry Steering Committee.
- Staff provided technical assistance to Illinois' Disproportionate Minority Contact coordinator regarding the collection and interpretation of juvenile justice criminal history record information.
- Staff provided technical assistance to the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative (IJDAI) regarding the collection of performance measurement data from IJDAI pilot sites.
- Staff continued to serve on an advisory board for the National Violent Injury Statistics System (NVISS), Harvard University, and Centers for Disease Control, consulting on how to make NVISS data accessible to a practical audience.

- Staff continued to collaborate with FSGU staff on the research, development and testing of alternative funding formulas for the allocation of federal monies to Illinois' multijurisdictional drug enforcement units, and National Criminal History Record Improvement program funds.
- Staff continued to participate with and support the Illinois Attorney General's Methamphetamine Healthcare Advisory Committee's Research Working Group.
- Staff continued to serve on an advisory committee for the Illinois Violent Death Reporting System, a joint project of the City of Chicago Mayor's Office, the city's Department of Public Health, Illinois Department of Public Health, Chicago Police Department, and Cook County Medical Examiner's Office to develop better data regarding violent deaths in Illinois.
- Staff continued to serve on the Illinois Methamphetamine Advisory Panel, a joint project of the Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Attorney's Office, Illinois Attorney General's Office, Illinois State Police, Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board, Illinois Sheriff's Association, Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, and Illinois Drug Officer's Association to discuss the growing threat of Methamphetamine abuse in Illinois.
- Staff participated on the advisory board for the evaluation of the Domestic Violence Helpline, administered by the City of Chicago Mayor's Office on Domestic Violence.
- Staff continued to advise users of the Social Support Network (SSN) Scale, developed in the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study. In the past three months, Staff have been working with the Department of Human and Community Development at the University of Illinois and the Harvard Medical School. The SSN has been accepted for inclusion in an archive of scales, the HaPI (Health and Psychosocial Instruments) database.
- Staff continued to advise users of the Chicago Homicide Dataset and the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study dataset, both of which are archived in the National Archive of Criminal Justice Data.
- Staff served on the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County Tina Ball Memorial DUI Taskforce.
- Illinois State Police, Bureau of Identification staff briefing to orient new Bureau Chief and new Associate Director of Research and Analysis to the CHRI processing and auditing procedures

G. 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:

- 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.
- 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.
- Those killed by any use of force by law enforcement officers prior to booking
- People who died at a crime/arrest scene or medical facility prior to booking.
- Deaths occurring in transit to or from law enforcement facilities.
- Deaths of those confined in lockups or booking centers (facilities from which arrestees are usually transferred within 72 hours and not held beyond arraignment).

Retrospective summary data on deaths in law enforcement custody during the period of January 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 were submitted to BJS in the fall of 2004. Since then, Staff have been reporting quarterly data on death in law enforcement custody to the Bureau of Justice Statistics. Reports for the second quarter of 2005 were the most recent submitted.

II. CURRENT PROJECTS

A. Balanced and Restorative Justice (BARJ) Implementation Guides

R & A staff are finalizing a series of profession-specific BARJ implementation guides for law enforcement, prosecutors, defense attorneys, judges, and probation officers. These five guides will be published by ICJIA through December 2005. Additional guides for community-based agencies, victim advocates, offender advocates, governmental agencies, youth and schools are planned.

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

This is a short-term research project intended to describe the characteristics of youth who have been committed to Illinois Youth Centers in 2004. Data analysis is under way and a final draft of the Research Bulletin is expected to be completed in summer 2005.

C. 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. Through an examination of existing data collected during the Reception and Classification process at the Dwight Correctional Center, the research team will determine the prevalence of these forms of prior victimization, examine those inmate characteristics correlated with prior victimization (i.e., demographic, socio-economic, criminal and substance abuse history, and mental health), and gauge the access to IDOC services among those with histories of victimization. The final report on this project is scheduled for completion in December 2005.

D. Illinois Substance Abuse Monitoring Network

R & A staff, in collaboration with the Department of Human Services' Office on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse established an Illinois Substance Abuse Monitoring Network. This group functions as a special workgroup to facilitate the exchange and analysis of information regarding the nature and extent of drug use, drug abuse, and drug markets in Illinois. The group has met twice and the next meeting is being planned.

E. Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) Audit

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

The current audit project is nearing the end of the data analysis phase. Data from a randomly selected sample of sheriff's offices was collected to provide the launching point for the examination of CHRI. The case information was compared to electronic data available to audit staff via a download of data from the Computerized Criminal History (CCH) repository as well as an electronic connection to CHRI data. A determination was made for each case whether or not the arrest is located on CCH. If present the case was further analyzed for the accuracy of the arrest information and completeness of subsequent case information.

In addition, staff visited each county selected to participate in the audit project. CHRI reporting processes were documented and agency staff were interviewed regarding the CHRI reporting policies for their agencies. This information provides all staff the necessary context to make recommendations for improvement based on the analysis of the data collected.

Audit center staff have been working to provide technical support for the Authority's Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU). Staff have been providing reporting information along with data interpretation to assist grants staff in making livescan funding decisions.

Audit staff currently chair the Booking/Rap sheet Sub-Committee of the IJJIS Planning and Policing Committee. The sub-committee has been charged with the task of identifying needs for the standardization of booking and rap sheet data. The goal of the standardization is to facilitate electronic integration for data sharing within or between agencies.

CHRI Data Ad Hoc Connection. The CHRI data ad hoc connection is an electronic connection to criminal history record information housed by the Illinois State Police. Access to CHRI data allows ICJIA to query the data housed on the computerized criminal history database. Staff are working to develop procedures and policies for data use and sharing, standardized queries, documentation of the data elements, and a publication format for the reporting of aggregate data available via the CHRI data ad hoc connection.

F. Chicago Homicide Dataset Update Project

In close cooperation with the Chicago Police Department, the R & A Unit maintains the Chicago Homicide Dataset, a comprehensive database containing information on every homicide that occurred in the City of Chicago between 1965 and 1996. In August 2005, staff completed a long-standing effort to update the dataset through 2000.

The Chicago Homicide Dataset has been collected and maintained for many years in close cooperation with the Crime Analysis Unit, Detective Division of the Chicago Police Department. A variety of research products from this dataset have been developed and an archive version for use by other researchers has been submitted to the University of Michigan's National Criminal Justice Data Archive.

Staff also continue to collaborate with selected researchers on projects involving use of the Chicago Homicide Dataset. A product of one of these collaborations, "Children's Risk of Homicide: Victimization Rates from Birth to Age 14, Chicago, 1965 to 1995" has just been published as an ICJIA Research Bulletin. Other CHD collaborations include the following:

- ~ "An evaluation of arson-associated homicide in Chicago," with Dallas Drake, a retired firefighter.
- ~ "Patterns and contextual characteristics of fatal and nonfatal violence against the elderly," with Ronet Bachman, an expert on national elderly victim data.
- ~ "Street gang-related homicides in Chicago, 1965 to 2004," with Tim Lavery and Megan Alderden of the Chicago Police Department.
- ~ "Killing little girls: homicides of girls aged infant to 14, Chicago 1965-1995," with Kim Vogt, University of Wisconsin.
- ~ "Murder of newborns and infants in Chicago: patterns and implications for prevention," with Kim Vogt, University of Wisconsin.
- ~ "Homicides Committed by Children: Offenders under age 15 in Chicago, with Kim Vogt, University of Wisconsin.

G. Statewide Crime Victimization Survey

Growing out of recommendations in the *State Criminal Justice Plan*, staff completed a state crime victimization survey modeled on the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics' Crime Victimization Survey, and similar efforts in other states. A series of shorter and more issue-specific Research Bulletins based on these data are planned.

H. Managing offenders with serious mental illness

This collaboration with University of Illinois-Chicago and Dr. James Swartz on a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation involves our distribution of a series of reports on managing offenders with serious mental illness. The first report, regarding the screening for mental illness among offenders is scheduled for the end of the year.

I. Program evaluation and research projects

The R & A Unit pursues an aggressive program evaluation and research agenda through an in-house ADAA-funded grant program. Other evaluation and research efforts supported by the Authority include:

1. Evaluation of the Jackson County School-Based Probation Program

Staff from the Center for the Study of Crime, Delinquency and Corrections at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale completed the evaluation of this probation project in September. The report provides an overview of the project and cites a number of issues and considerations that must be addressed by jurisdictions interested in implementing school-based probation. A final report has been received and a program summary describing the findings of the evaluation is complete and awaiting final review before publication.

2. Evaluation of moral reconnection therapy in the Franklin/Jefferson County Evening Reporting Center Program

Staff from the Public Administration and Policy Analysis Department at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville completed the evaluation of this probation project in October. The final report contains an overview of the implementation of the projects in the two counties and documents their respective strengths and weaknesses. It is currently available on our website. A Program Evaluation Summary of the full report is undergoing final review.

3. Lake County Domestic Violence Probation Program evaluation

This is an impact evaluation of a specialized probation program in Lake County focused on domestic violence offenders, and is being carried out by Justice Research Associates. The project is a follow-up to an implementation evaluation recently completed by JRA

and is focusing on the outcome differences between the program participants and a comparison group. A final report is due by the end of summer 2005.

4. Study of disproportionate incarceration of minorities for drug crimes

This project is a collaboration between the Authority and Loyola University Chicago, The John Howard Association and TASC, Inc. The study is examining the impact of sentencing laws and practices on the minority community, particularly in response to convictions for drug related crimes. Research bulletins planned include reports on national trends, drug law changes, the nature of addiction and treatment, the Illinois perspective on minority incarceration and policy recommendations. The first report in the series, dealing with the national perspective on the issue, has been published. The second report, describing significant changes in state and federal statutes, is in revision based on feedback from Authority staff. The third report on the Disproportionate Incarceration of African-Americans for Drug Crimes in Illinois has been submitted for review and the fourth report is currently being prepared.

5. Reintegration of gang offenders in the community study

In collaboration with DePaul University's Department of Sociology, the Illinois Department of Corrections, and the Attorney General's Gang Crime Prevention Center, a small-scale, pilot study of the reintegration process is being conducted. The study is largely qualitative, examining how gang & non-gang offenders go about reintegrating into their communities of origin. A final draft on the study was received in August and is under review.

6. Community Mobilization: Best Practices and Lessons Learned

This project involves the development of a series of four research briefs on different aspects of the Attorney General's Gang Crime Prevention Center Community Mobilization Program. The first of four research briefs is available on the topic of resident decision making versus representativeness in the community. The remaining report topics include the evolution of program implementation, resident involvement/coalition building and integration into the surrounding community. These reports are available and staff have completed a summary report that is awaiting final review prior to publication.

7. Returning home: understanding the challenges of prisoner reentry in Illinois

The Urban Institute developed four policy briefs synthesizing findings from four waves of prisoner interviews, interviews with family members, focus groups with residents, and interviews with stakeholders to present the first systematic understanding of the process of prisoner reentry and the specific issues and challenges associated with reentry in Chicago. The briefs, Health & Prisoner Reentry, Employment & Prisoner Reentry,

Reentry & Residential Mobility and Treatment Matching are currently under review. Past reports, available on the Urban Institute's website (www.ui.urban.org), include: *A Portrait of Prisoner Reentry in Illinois*, and a Research Brief entitled, *Illinois Prisoners' Reflections on Returning Home*. The most recent report, *Chicago Prisoners' Experiences Returning Home*, was made available in December 2004.

8. Illinois Going Home Program Evaluation

The University of Chicago is conducting an implementation and preliminary impact evaluation of the Illinois Going Home Program. The program is a major offender reentry effort funded through a partnership of contributing federal agencies and in concert with a number of Chicago-area government, community and faith-based organizations. The evaluation will determine if the program was implemented as designed, how it worked in the field and the effectiveness of the program. Evaluators completed a one-year interim report in September. This report identified a number of recommendations for increasing enrollment that Going Home staff are currently implementing. The final report is due at the end of December 2005.

9. Circuit Court of Cook County, Department of Social Services, Domestic Violence Intervention Program

This project was conducted by University of Illinois at Chicago under the direction of Larry Bennet and the West Side Domestic Abuse Project (WSDAP) in collaboration with the Social Service Department of the Circuit Court of Cook County. In 1999, UIC and WSDAP developed an assessment tool for batterers aimed to increase the safety of victims and improve the ability of staff to identify men who are at high risk and intervene to reduce their risk by assertive case management. This project used existing Cook County PROMIS data and supplemental data collected from case records on men participating in the Domestic Violence Intervention Program. Researchers collected longitudinal data on predictors of attrition and outcomes for men who batter that can be used by policy makers and staff to improve intervention services. Researchers also contributed important information to the larger criminal justice and violence against women communities about the effectiveness of justice-based intervention with batterers. A final report on this project is on the Authority website and a Program Evaluation Summary of this report is in review.

10. An Evaluation of the Chicago Police Department's CLEAR Initiative – Phase II

The third evaluation report on the status of the new information technology enterprise system under development by the Chicago Police Department (CPD) is now available on the Authority web site. The state-of-the-art integrated criminal justice information system, "Citizen and Law Enforcement Analysis and Reporting (CLEAR)," is designed

to provide anytime, anyplace access to vast repositories of centralized, relational data. The data warehouse is the engine that powers the numerous interrelated applications that comprise CLEAR. This report describes all CLEAR initiatives, the "launch procedures" that lie behind them and their impact on policing. The report describes this ongoing process through October 2004 and details the efforts aimed at the introduction of high-priority applications, and the resources and processes needed to develop and implement the major components of CLEAR. A program evaluation summary has been drafted and is currently awaiting publication. A separate report on CPD's efforts against violent crime is available on our website.

11. Analysis of datasets maintained/available through the Authority

In addition to collaborative research projects using the Chicago Homicide Dataset or the Chicago Women's Health Risk Study, R & A staff have also collaborated with external researchers on two projects that focus on the analysis of InfoNet data. InfoNet is a database that maintains information from victim service providers and agencies.

- The first project, under the direction of Loyola University's Dr. Susan Grossman and Dr. Marta Lundy, focuses on the analysis of sexual abuse data and will provide much needed information on those that seek help and services for sexual assault in Illinois. The research questions focus on the adult survivors and victims of sexual assault and abuse and will detail the following: basic demographics and income sources, relationship between the client and abuser, characteristics of the abuser, issues and circumstances of the abuse/assault, special needs, referral sources, experience with medical services, intensity and duration of support and social services, and legal actions taken in response to the abuse/assault. In addition, this project will generate a template for victim service centers to use so that they can complete a center-level analysis based on the study's statewide and regional analyses. This report is under review.
- An additional project under the direction of Dr. Karla Fischer will focus on information on those that seek help for domestic violence in Illinois. The study will include a profile of victims, offenders and children, and the types of services they seek and ultimately receive. The profiles will be generated on three levels—the individual service providing agencies, communities and the state. The findings will aid in identifying underserved populations and unmet social service needs in the area of domestic violence services. The draft report has been received and is under review.

Also, a request for proposals was developed for the analysis of other datasets available through the Authority. Three small-scale research projects seek to answer research questions on data from the Illinois Crime Victimization Survey and the 2000 Probation Outcome Study. They include:

- "Analysis of Crime Victimization Data – Rate and Nature of Victimization and Utilization of Resources," by Dr. Amanda Mathias Humphrey of Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

The study on the CVS data determines the level of victimization in Illinois, differences in victimization, reporting practices and demographic differences, use of services and demographic differences in service utilization. The report is under review.

- “Analysis of Crime Victimization Data – Violent Crime and Victim’s Gender,” by Dr. Callie Rennison of the University of Missouri St. Louis. This analysis will address whether individual and family level correlates of nonfatal victimization differ by gender, whether these correlates differ by type of nonfatal violent crime and whether they differ depending on the victim and offender relationship.
- “Analysis of Drug Use, Treatment and Probation Outcomes,” by Dr. Beth Hueber of the University of Missouri at St. Louis. This project will identify the characteristics of drug-involved probationers, the prevalence of participation in treatment and the effect of treatment on probation outcomes.

12. Safe Haven Domestic Violence Program evaluation project

Staff are evaluating the Chicago Safe Havens demonstration site, a project funded under the Supervised Visitation and Safe Exchange Grant Program. The Safe Havens Program was established by the Violence Against Women Act of 2000 to provide an opportunity for communities to support supervised visitation and safe exchange of children, by and between parents, in situations involving domestic violence, child abuse, sexual assault, or stalking. The purpose of the supervised visitation program is to enable custodial parents to comply with court ordered visitation, without having to fear that they or their children will be re-victimized. Staff has identified the following priority areas of the evaluation: interviews with visitation center directors and staff and interviews with the Local Advisory Committee members (to determine changes in practice in policy and roles as collaborators), the issue of case termination (to determine why cases come to a close and what can be done in cases where visits should continue, but do not), observation forms used by staff at visitation centers during visits as well as other data collected in client files (Data from these forms, together with data collected through interviews can help determine how accurately these forms reflect what happens during visits. Other client information found in their files can help identify who is referred to visitation services from court, how rule violations are handled, and in terms of termination, whether or not clients fail to show up for services, if they terminate visits due to court order, etc.), focus groups to be held with family court attorneys (to help determine how the referral process works and help identify problems or barriers that occur in the courtroom) and surveys that will be distributed to family court judges (to determine what they know about supervised visitation and how they determine who is eligible or will benefit from these services.) Staff is completing IRB applications for the interviews, observation forms, focus groups, and surveys. It is hoped that data collection will begin this fall.

13. Criminal justice agencies needs assessment survey project

Orbis Partners has been selected to conduct a criminal justice needs assessment in Illinois. The primary purpose of this study is to supply information that will demonstrate the needs of criminal justice organizations, and identify areas that need improvement. The information will also be used to guide decision-making regarding where to best allocate resources. A secondary purpose of this study is to provide information that outlines if, and how, the needs of criminal justice organizations have changed over time by comparing the data collected as part of this study to the results of a needs assessment survey conducted in 1996. Major components of the criminal justice system will be surveyed on topics such as workload demands, training needs, staff retention, information systems and programming. The survey introductory letter has been mailed and surveys will be delivered in September. Surveys will be mailed to criminal justice personnel in September.

In addition, the R & A staff held a brainstorming activity to determine research priorities. In addition, middle management staff surveyed researchers in the field for their input. A request was posted on our website soliciting needs assessment reports from outside agencies working in the criminal justice field for review and inclusion in our collection of needs data. The Planning and Research Committee of the Authority Board will meet in the fall to review the needs assessment process to date. Once all data is collected, the committee will meet again to help strategize priorities for planning and research; recommendations regarding funding priorities will be discussed.

14. Chicago Public School Peer Jury Program evaluation project

Florida Atlantic University has been selected to evaluate the Chicago Public School's Peer Jury Program and its operation and development during the 2003/2004 and 2004/2005 school years. The study will focus on three schools that implemented the program, but will also involve the collection of some general descriptive data pertaining to the program as a whole. The evaluation will assist program practitioners and technical support staff in improving the program, and assist Chicago Public School's administrative staff in making future decisions regarding the program. In addition, the study will contribute to the literature examining restorative justice and related programming. A draft report has been submitted and is currently under review.

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

Research & Analysis staff are continuing to support the operation of the Sheridan Correctional Center through a process and impact evaluation. Open since January 2004, Sheridan operates as a fully dedicated therapeutic community for inmates in need of substance abuse treatment. Sheridan is the largest treatment prison in the county. The evaluation of Sheridan is a collaborative effort between the Authority and the Illinois Department of Corrections, and is guided by an Evaluation Advisory Committee. The process and impact evaluation involves extensive quantitative data collection and

qualitative information from focus groups and interviews with staff and participants. The evaluation will seek to measure changes in participant attitudes, beliefs and psychological functioning, in addition to participants' preparedness for release. The study will also examine the extent and nature of institutional violations and measures of recidivism after release. Employment and access to services will also be studied. A summary of the project was released in October 2004 as a Program Evaluation Summary report, and Authority staff have made numerous presentations regarding the evaluation findings.

16. The Impact of Methamphetamine on Illinois Communities: An Ethnography

A final report by Dr. Ralph Weisheit of Illinois State University was submitted in October. The report documents site visits and interviews that examine the effects of methamphetamine in Edgar and Clark counties. The report address several research questions, including: What is the impact of methamphetamine on rural communities?; What resources in rural communities can be brought to bear on the problem of methamphetamine?; and, What additional resources might facilitate an effective response to the problem? The report was made available on the ICJIA website in December of 2004. A Program Evaluation Summary of the final report is awaiting publication.

17. Evaluation of Redeploy Illinois sites

A request for proposals was issued in November for the evaluation of two Redeploy Illinois sites. The first site, in Macon County, provides a series of services and treatments in an effort to keep juveniles in the community and out of the Illinois Department of Corrections. The second site, in the Second Judicial Circuit, also employs treatment and includes Multi-Systemic Therapy, Functional Family Therapy and Aggression Replacement Training to keep youth in the community. Powered Performance, a Wheaton-based research and consulting firm, was awarded the contract to evaluate both Redeploy sites. The project was initiated in March and data collection and meetings between the evaluators and program personnel from both sites continue.

18. An evaluation of Illinois-Citizen Law Enforcement Analysis and Reporting (I-CLEAR)

The evaluation of I-CLEAR has been awarded to Northwestern University. The evaluation will assess the statewide implementation of the CLEAR reporting system operating under the Chicago Police Department. I-CLEAR will offer a statewide criminal justice information system that is accessible to all of Illinois' criminal justice agencies. The 12-month began in May 2005.

19. Upcoming Requests for Proposals

Four requests for proposals will be issued this summer. These include: Analysis of ICJIA datasets; Investigator Initiated Research of Priority Issues; Program Evaluations of Lake

County Services for Female Offenders; Program Evaluations of Cook County Social Services for Female Offenders.

J. Externally-funded research and evaluation projects

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

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

Funded by NIJ with substantial in-kind support from the Authority and other collaborating agencies, the Chicago Women's Health Risk Project is a continuing collaboration of Chicago medical, public health, and criminal justice agencies, and domestic violence experts to identify factors that indicate a significant danger of life-threatening injury or death in situations of intimate partner violence. Collaborating agencies include the Chicago Department of Public Health, Erie Family Health Center, Cook County Hospital, Chicago Mayor's Office on Domestic Violence, Cook County Medical Examiner's Office, Chicago Police Department and the Authority. Project research included detailed interviews with abused women sampled as they entered a hospital, clinic, or health center for treatment, as well as interviews with people who knew victims of intimate partner homicide.

By comparing data on abused women with similar data on people who have been killed by an intimate partner, the project helps agencies develop collaborative ways to identify and respond to potentially life-threatening intimate violence situations. A follow-up study looked at the effects of community capacity to determine whether the violence stopped or declined in the abused women's neighborhoods. The research provides vital information to beat officers, clinical staff, and other decision-makers in the field. A number of reports, journal articles and other publications have been developed from the research. 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. Current collaborations on reports from CWHRS include:

- ~ "Risk Factors for Serious Injury or Death in Intimate Partner Violence for Latina/ Hispanic Women" (with Eva Hernandez and Sara Naureckas).
- ~ "Intimate Partner Femicide Against Older Women" (with Yvonne Campbell Ulrich, Jacquelyn C. Campbell and Linda Teri).
- ~ "Are Stepchildren in the Home a Risk Factor for Intimate Partner Homicide?" (with Todd Shackelford).
- ~ "Intimate Partner Violence During Pregnancy: Outcomes for Mother and Child " (with Phyllis Sharps and Kathryn Laughon).
- ~ "Forced Sex and Leaving an Abusive Relationship" (with Walter DeKeseredy and Martin Schwartz).
- ~ "PTSD in Battered African American Women" (with Esther Jenkins).

- ~ "Risk of Women Becoming an Offender in Intimate Partner Homicide" (with Esther Jenkins).
- ~ "Strangulation as a Risk Factor for Attempted and Completed Intimate Partner Femicide" (with Nancy Glass, Kathryn Laughon, Jacquelyn C. Campbell and Ginger Hanson).
- ~ "A Comparison of African-American and Latina Women's Decisions about Help-Seeking for intimate partner violence" (with Heather Bourne).
- ~ "Seeking Help from the Criminal Justice System: Battered Women's Decisions and Experiences" (with Kim Davies and Jacquelyn Campbell).
- ~ "Intimate Partner Violence and Miscarriage: Examination of the Role of Physical and Psychological Abuse and PTSD" (with Leslie A. Morland, Gregory A. Leskin, Jackie Campbell and Matthew J. Friedman).
- ~ "The Prevalence of PTSD among Women Experiencing Intimate Partner Violence Depends on Seriousness, Continuation and Social Support Network" (with Gregory A. Leskin and Jacqueline Campbell).

2. Juvenile justice system and risk factor data: 2003 Annual Report

Supported by a grant from the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, R & A staff are compiling county-level juvenile justice system and risk factor data into a single data report. This report will also briefly summarize recent trends in these data over time. An additional feature of this report is an emphasis on emerging juvenile justice system issues in Illinois, including Balanced and Restorative Justice, the Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative, Disproportionate Minority Contact, and Redeploy Illinois. The final report will be completed in September of 2005.

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

R & A recently 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.

K. New Projects (Clearinghouse)

Web-based training curriculum (Breeze)

Staff have begun a project to develop and implement a web-based application that will serve as a medium to users to present interactive training curricula for criminal justice practitioners, social service professionals, and the general public.

III. GRANT PROPOSALS

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

Submitted

Web-based Application for methamphetamine lab reporting

Staff has submitted a proposal for a SAC grant to develop a web-based application that would provide technical assistance to local law enforcement agencies in Illinois to allow on-line reporting of clandestine methamphetamine laboratory seizure data.

Staff collaborated with Dr. Kimberly A. Vogt of the University of Wisconsin on an application to the National Institute of Justice for a grant to support a study of homicides of infants and toddlers.

Staff collaborated with JRSA on an application to the National Institute of Justice for a grant to support a multi-state study of the impact of methamphetamine on local criminal justice and social service systems.

IV. ONGOING STAFF DEVELOPMENT/TRAINING

- Staff continue to conduct and/or take part in a variety of staff development and training programs and projects. These include: (a) observations/site visits to several key criminal justice agencies; (b) peer review process for project development and pre-publication; (c) partnerships with the academic community; (d) development of specific training classes including ArcView mapping, multivariate statistical analysis, basic SPSS use, data availability in criminal justice, photoshop, illustrator, among other topics; and (e) human subject research issues/concerns and practices.
- Several R & A staff are actively pursuing advanced academic degrees in graduate programs and post-graduate programs. Some also serve as adjunct faculty in criminal justice and other social science programs.
- At each monthly R & A Unit meeting, staff or guest speakers present summaries of projects for which they are involved. Peer critiques are given in an effort to cooperatively learn better presentation skills and to keep abreast of current research efforts in the R & A Unit.

- Staff will attend training workshops to improve mapping skills. Efforts are being made for a training workshop on ArcView Mapping.
- Most R & A staff continue to be expected to complete a “Human Participants Protection Education for Research Teams” online course before the end of this calendar year, in order to better understand the role of the Institutional Review Board in the research process.
- Staff toured the Sheridan Prison and Cook County Morgue.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like further information on any of these activities.

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Cc: Lori G. Levin
Robert P. Boehmer
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R & A Supervisory Staff

TABLE 1. Information Request Handling Statistics

ITEM	FIRST QUARTER 7/1- 9/30/2004	SECOND QUARTER 10/1- 12/31/2004	THIRD QUARTER 1/1- 3/31/2005	FOURTH QUARTER 4/1- 6/30/2005	FISCAL YEAR TO DATE
Information requests handled:	329	259	351	246	1,185
Monthly average number of requests:	110	86	117	82	99
Pct of requests completed within two days:	87%	77%	74%	91	82%
Geographic Origin of requesters:					
Chicago metropolitan area	24%	20%	15%	22%	20%
Other region of Illinois	40%	36%	51%	38%	42%
U.S. other than Illinois	13%	23%	14%	18%	17%
Outside the U.S.	4%	3%	2%	2%	3%
Unknown	19%	18%	17%	20%	19%
Type of requester:					
Government agency	35%	32%	38%	28%	34%
Private citizen	31%	26%	25%	38%	29%
Private agency	14%	18%	15%	13%	15%
Researcher	10%	10%	6%	11%	9%
Student	3%	7%	9%	6%	6%
Media	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Legislators	-	1%	-	-	<1%
Inmates	2%	2%	3%	<1%	2%
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-
Method of request:					
Telephone/fax	42%	39%	38%	43%	40%
Mail	3%	3%	5%	2%	4%
Email/Internet	35%	37%	37%	38%	36%
In-person	1%	10%	-	1%	3%
ICJIA Web site	12%	11%	20%	15%	15%
Publications disseminated:					
Mailed in response to requests	11,643	28,541	16,909	79,669	136,767
Downloaded from Web Site	81,353	96,593	76,751	58,323	319,229
Total	92,996	125,134	93,660	137,992	455,996

TABLE 2. Web Site Traffic Report

	FIRST QUARTER 7/1-9/30/04	SECOND QUARTER 10/1- 12/31/2004	THIRD QUARTER 1/1-3/31/2005	FOURTH QUARTER 4/1-6/30/2005	FISCAL YEAR TO DATE
Hits for Home Page	1,649,239	1,866,210	2,020,352	1,955,186	7,490,987
Number of User Sessions	134,798	144,356	170,187	169,220	618,561
Average Hits Per Day	17,937	20,299	22,459	21,497	20,548
Average User Sessions Per Day	1,465	1,569	1,892	1,860	1,697
Average Use Session Length <i>(minutes)</i>	15	18	15	15	16
Unique Visitors	61,628	65,762	76,751	74,028	278,169
Visitors Who Visited Once	51,084	54,892	63,536	61,898	231,410
Visitors Who Visited More Than Once	10,544	10,870	13,215	12,130	46,759
Persons Registered for CJ Dispatch <i>(Email notification of updates)</i>	1,627	1720	1,774	1,809	1,809

TABLE 3. FSGU Support Requested: Statistics

Activities Requested by Federal and State Grants Unit	PROGRAM	THIRD QUARTER 7/1-9/30/2004			FOURTH QUARTER 10/1/04-12/31/2004			FIRST QUARTER 1/1/05-3/31/05			SECOND QUARTER 4/1/05-6/30/05			TO DATE		
		REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING	REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING	REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING	REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING	REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING
PROGRAM NARRATIVE REVIEW	ADAA	8	8	0	6	6	0	1	1	0						
	JAIBG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						
	VOCA/VAWA	-	-	-	2	2	0	1	1	0						
	MVTPC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						
	Total	8	8	0	8	8	0	2	2	0						
DATA REPORT DEVELOPMENT	ADAA	6	6	0	11	11	0	3	3	0						
	JAIBG	-	-	-	31	31	0	0	0	0						
	VOCA/VAWA	2	2	0	3	3	0	0	0	0						
	MVTPC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						
	Total	8	8	0	45	45	0	3	3	0						
DATA REPORT ENTRY (Number of projects for which monthly/quarterly data reports were computerized)	ADAA	79	79	0	79	79	0	79	79	0						
	JAIBG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	VOCA/VAWA	Not applicable			Not applicable			Not applicable			Not applicable			Not applicable		
	MVTPC	21	21	0	21	21	0	21	21	0	21	21	0	84	84	0
	Other: MEG/TF	20	20	0	20	20	0	20	20	0	20	20	0	80	80	0
	Total	120	120	0	120	120	0	120	120	0						
PROJECT STATUS REPORT (Number of assessments completed)	ADAA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	JAIBG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	VOCA/VAWA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	MVTPC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROGRAM PROFILE (Number of profiles)	ADAA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	JAIBG	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	VOCA/VAWA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	MVTPC	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Total	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Mary L. Milano
Date: August 26, 2005
Re: Federal and State Grants Unit Report – September 9, 2005 Authority Meeting

The staff assigned to the Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU) performed the following activities during the period of May 1, 2005, to July 31, 2005. During this period, FSGU headcount rose from 19 to 21. There are vacancies that have yet to be filled. Further hiring is anticipated.

Grant Activities

During the reporting period FSGU staff monitored 536 grants, representing approximately \$117,150,861 in grant funds. Monitoring included the following:

- Reviewing (1,192) monthly or quarterly reports: (586) data and (606) fiscal;
- Initiating disbursement of funds requested by grantees;
- Conducting (over 25) 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 2,500 times). This included telephonic, e-mail, and on site contacts with grantees that requested assistance regarding issues relating to their grant(s). Staff also received communications from non-grantees regarding types of grants available through the federal government, and/or how to complete forms for federal grants.

During this reporting period, FSGU staff processed 342 new agreements (grants), representing \$30,659,862 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
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- 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 7 meetings:

- Two Budget Committee meetings were held: May 10, 2005 and June 20, 2005.
- Planning began on a Budget Committee meeting to be held on September 7, 2005.
- The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (IMVTPC) conducted three meetings: 1) Pre-Grant Review Committee meeting, July 6, 2005, 2) Grant Review Committee meeting, July 13, and 3) Task Force Directors meeting, July 25, 2005.
- Four staff members attended a teleconference training with Rural VAWA grantees on June 9, 2005.

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.

Training

Staff conducted a training session on Grant Writing to Victim Advocates and Law enforcement at the Illinois Victim Assistance Academy in Bloomington Illinois on June 17, 2005. There were 55 attendees.

Staff conducted a Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) training session on guidelines and grant requirement to VOCA grantees in Chicago, Illinois on June 23, 2005 and in Bloomington, Illinois on June 22, 2005. 95 attendees representing approximately 50 grant agencies attended.

Federal Awards & Applications

FFY05 Awards Received:

Program	Date Received	Award Total
Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)	July 8th	\$14,323,885
Juvenile Accountability Block Grants (JABG)	May 17th	\$1,663,000
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)	June 21st	\$4,241,000
Victims of Crime Act (VOCA)	May 23rd	\$15,325,000
TOTAL:		\$35,552,885

Staff has submitted applications for the following FFY05 federal programs:

Program Applied for	Date Submitted
National Forensic Science Improvement Act (NFSIA)	May 24th

Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) - Central	July 14th
Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) - Northern	July 14th

Other Activities

- In support of the Authority's Strategic Plan, staff continues to prioritize projects and activities as well as develop strategies to best incorporate the Authority's Action Plan initiatives into unit operations.
- During the reporting period, FSGU continued to operate without a full staff. Executive staff is pursuing the hiring process with expectations of returning the unit to full strength. On an individual basis, staff members have continued to handle increased grant loads, train the new employees, and perform other responsibilities, pending the filling of vacant positions.
- Staff continually updates and upgrades Attachment A's, fact sheets (program/fund information sheets), funding charts, and other items on the Authority's Internet and Intranet sites.
- Staff is examining ways to improve the public's access via the Internet to information relating to programs that receive funds from the Authority and to information about the individual grantees. This is part of an on-going process aimed at making the Authority's activities more open and transparent to the general public.
- Staff is continuing to work and meet with the Authority's Research and Analysis Unit as well as other state and local agencies, such as the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, jail-based mental health services, community-based transitional services for female offenders, and juvenile reporting centers to advance common goals and projects.
- Staff is working closely with Fiscal Management staff to close out the ADAA Federal Fiscal Years 1995 and 1996, NCHIP Federal Fiscal Years 1995 through 1999, and LLEBG federal fiscal years 1999 through 2002.
- Staff is working to facilitate the expenditure of Criminal History Record Improvement funds for ADAA Federal Fiscal Years 1997 through 2001 as those funds will expire September 30, 2005.
- Staff is working to facilitate the expenditure of ADAA Federal Fiscal Year 2002 non-CHRI funds as those funds expire
- Staff continues to be involved in post-BARJ Summit activities, including the Illinois BARJ initiative.
- Staff continued a series of internal trainings with trainings being held on a weekly basis.
- Staff began planning and negotiations with the National Crime Insurance Bureau to become the sole leasing source for the IMVTPC, July 20, 2005.
- Two staff members attended a planning committee meeting for the Illinois Victim Assistance Academy, on July 14 & 15, 2005 in Bloomington Illinois.
- One staff member who serves on National Association of Victim Assistance Administrators Board conducted a board meeting in Albuquerque, New Mexico on May 4, 5, and 6, 2005. A related teleconference meeting was held on July 12, 2005.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Robert P. Boehmer
General Counsel

Date: August 22, 2005

Re: Office of General Counsel Report – September 9, 2005 Authority Meeting

This memorandum highlights the work performed by the Office of General Counsel from May 16, 2005 through August 19, 2005.

Document Preparation and Review

- Over 650 preliminary and final reviews of contracts, grant agreements, amendments, subcontracts, requests for proposals and publications.
- Prepared and reviewed other miscellaneous Authority contracts and documents, including federal grant awards and applications. Developed boilerplates for ADA, ADA-CHRI, VOCA and JABG. Reviewed/developed amendments and subcontracts for R&A evaluation projects. Reviewed DV protocol RFP and VAWA Rural federal reports.
- Reviewed Authority publications regarding crime trends, elder abuse and 2 BARJ guides.
- Developed/Reviewed IRB materials and privacy certificates for research and evaluation projects. Forwarded required IRB materials to federal awarding agency.

Meetings/Training

- Attended Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Legislative Committee meetings.

- Attended National Criminal Justice Association Executive Committee and Board meetings.
- Participated in the National Criminal Justice Association's 2005 Annual Forum.
- Participated in the Global Privacy and Information Quality Workgroup meeting to assist in developing a Privacy Sourcebook for policy makers.
- Participated in the Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative Executive Steering Committee meeting.
- Attended and presented at the NGA Focus Group on Privacy.
- Participated in BJA conference call to discuss grant related issues and implementation of the new JAG program.
- Conducted staff training on the Freedom of Information Act, cost allowability and supplanting and match requirements.
- Participated in ALERTS/PIMS Advisory Board meeting.
- Participated in meetings with AFSCME representatives to discuss supplemental agreement proposals and other union issues.
- Assisted in preparation for, and attended, the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council meeting.

Legislation/Rulemaking

- Monitored the status of federal fiscal year 2006 Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies appropriation and the Department of Justice Reauthorization bill.
- Drafted amendments to the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council's "Rules for the Award and Monitoring of Trust Funds."
- Monitored the status of bills passed by the General Assembly.

Other

- Continued work on the analysis of privacy issues in preparation for workgroup meetings, including an analysis of privacy issues related to victims, witnesses and jurors. Continued to work on draft of privacy policy for the state.

- Assisted the Bureau of Justice Assistance in coordinating a meeting for congressional appropriations committee staff to hear from state and local law enforcement officials about gangs, methamphetamine and terrorism.
- Provided technical assistance and attended meeting of the Capital Punishment Reform Study Commission.
- Provided technical assistance to staff and the Illinois Department of Corrections on VOI-TIS allowability. Drafted several memoranda on issues related to various IDOC projects.
- Provided technical assistance and coordinated meetings to assist the Federal and State Grants Unit with JABG.
- Responded to one Freedom of Information Act request.
- Provided consultation with various staff members regarding interpretations of the ethics laws.
- Participated in JAG and VOCA/VAWA grant planning processes.
- Researched the feasibility of police accreditation in Illinois.
- Worked with Research and Analysis Unit staff regarding data use agreements with outside researchers.
- Continued to forward grantee civil rights findings to the Office of Civil Rights.
- Continued to provide legal consultation to Authority staff, and review various documents and mailings. Provided technical assistance for staff on grant-related and evaluation contract issues.

If you need additional information, please contact me.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Hank Anthony
Date: August 30, 2005
Re: Office of Administrative Services (OAS) Report

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



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Diane M. Devereux, Associate Director of Human Resources
Date: June 3, 2005
Re: Summary of Human Resources Activities

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

Recruitment, Screening and Hiring

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

- The Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority hired the following:

Motor Vehicle Supervisor, PSA – John Chojnacki
Criminal Justice Specialist I – Marilyn Mazewski
Data Processing Specialist – Anthony Haywood

- Ran background and fingerprint checks on all new employees
- Worked bid lists for all posted bargaining unit positions
- Awaiting approval for several ePARS (approval to hire) regarding current vacancies

Employee Benefits

- New Benefits Choice Options took effect July 1, 2005
- RX program changed to MEDCO for employees as the state did not be renew a contract with CARE MARK
- Met with staff on issues related to MEDCO
- Worked with staff to explain insurance benefit options as well as researched and resolved insurance related problems
- Processed all WageWorks deductions for staff enrolled in this transportation benefit

- Provided one staff member with disability and family leave information. Processed all related medical/administrative paperwork
- Tracked ongoing disability leave for one employee
- New Flex Spending for 2006-2007 began July 1, 2005
- Provided direction to employees regarding the Flexible Spending Program.
- Processed several Deferred Compensation transactions
- Processed and distributed Savings Bonds for employees
- Registered employees for SERS (State Employees' Retirement Systems) Seminars

Salaries & Compensation

- Continued bi-monthly payroll processing for 81 employees
- Union employees received negotiated increase on July 1, 2005
- Issued time balance reports monthly to payroll and contractual employees
- Continued to check timesheets of federally funded employees for correct time certification reports
- Processed wage garnishments and other involuntary wage deductions
- Non-union employees, who do not qualify for overtime under FLSA, receive Equivalent Earned Time as of July 1, 2005

Equal Employment Opportunities

- Submitted 4th quarter EEO report for FY2005
- Submitted FY2005 annual EEO report
- Submitted FY2006 Agency Affirmative Action Plan on 9/1/2005
- Continued ongoing contact with several Veteran outreach programs to determine how to increase numbers of minority and female candidates on the State eligible lists for positions unique to the Authority
- Distributed vacancy-posting notices to special interest and veteran groups

Staff Development & Training

- Human Resource staff completed two day training on Labor Relations
- Coordinated Labor Relations Training for all supervisory staff
- Human Resource staff completed Affirmative Action Plan Training
- Part-time and contractual staff completed 2005 Ethics Training
- New employees completed Ethics Training
- New employees completed Sexual Harassment training
- Coordinated Sexual Harassment training for staff
- Coordinated Rutan training for new and present employees
- Provided staff with access to the CMS Job Posting System that details vacant positions throughout the State
- Agency in the process of renewing the contract with New Horizons (technical training programs) for FY2006
- Coordinating training classes for employees offered through New Horizons technical training programs

- Coordinating training classes for employees offered through the Training Clearinghouse (state sponsored training)
- Sent notification of FY 2006 agency tuition reimbursement program
- Continued to provide staff with development tools now available in library for use
- Ongoing training and professional development recommendations provided for staff

Other Miscellaneous Projects

- Working with all unit directors to update organization charts to submit to CMS
- Working with unit directors to identify any classification issues
- Worked with CMS classifications to establish and clarify job descriptions
- Processed 3 and 6-month evaluations as well as annual evaluations for all staff
- Working with AFSCME Local 31 on supplemental contract requests for agency bargaining unit employees
- Strengthening relations with AFSCME Local 31 in the interest of staff and the agency

Reports

The following reports were prepared and submitted by HR staff:

- EEO 4th quarter reports for FY2005
- EEO annual report for FY2005
- EEO Affirmative Action Plan for FY2006
- End of the month headcount and staff salary information distributed to executive staff.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Rose Ann Rossi
Associate Director, IT Unit
Date: August 30, 2005
Re: Information Systems Unit Report – September 9, 2005

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

The InfoNet System

One hundred and two domestic violence and sexual assault programs and 12 child advocacy centers currently access InfoNet from more than 150 sites throughout the state. Since the Authority last met, the InfoNet team continued to improve the efficiency and performance of the system for current users. Some specific accomplishments during the past quarter follow.

During the report period, staff continued to provide technical assistance and training to InfoNet users. One new user training was conducted in Chicago for sexual assault centers on June 16, 2005. In addition, three InfoNet User Group meetings were convened in Bloomington during the report period. During each of the meetings, members discussed and finalized system modifications to be released during the first quarter of the state fiscal year. Staff also provided a one-day workshop in Bloomington for child advocacy centers on May 24, 2005. The workshop was designed to show participants how to use InfoNet to track and report grant specific information.

The InfoNet project manager, Karen Griffiths, attended a meeting in Olympia, Washington on July 13, 2005. Karen has been working with the State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services and the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy to discuss the feasibility of implementing InfoNet in the State of Washington. On August 2, 2005, Karen Griffiths and Carrie Ward, the grant director for the Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault convened an InfoNet workshop at the National Criminal Justice Association Forum in Dana Point, California. The workshop highlighted keys to the successful implementation of a statewide data collection system. In addition, InfoNet staff continued to meet with the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence to finalize data elements to be added to InfoNet to bring domestic violence shelters into compliance

with new data collection and reporting requirements issued by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on July 30, 2004. Finally, a new InfoNet Assistant Manager, Tom Nichol, was hired and began work on June 1, 2005.

The Authority's Web Page

R&A staff continued development of the Authority's website (www.icjia.state.il.us). We expanded the criminal justice data and information available on the site. *News Digest Summary* and *National Law Enforcement and Corrections Training Center News* have been added to the publications section of the website and provide visitors a variety of links to other criminal justice articles and publications. In addition, *CJ Tips* were added to the site's front page, featuring frequently updated tips and criminal justice-related information. We also continue to actively gather user satisfaction information and other feedback online. The site averaged more than 1,860 daily user sessions during this period, and 1,809 registered users currently receive the e-mailed CJ Dispatch, automatically alerting them to the latest information added to the site. Staff continue work on database applications and new software for the site, which will allow visitors to download, display, and graph data in a variety of formats.

The Authority's website administers the CWHRS Forum, focusing on research and policy issues related to the risk of intimate partner homicide. The CWHRS Forum has 78 registered users. The forum requires little staff time, but members say that it is very useful to them.

Customer Service Activities in support of ALERTS, PIMS, ALECS and InfoNet

A group of the ALERTS, ALECS and PIMS Advisory Board members has indicated that it will seek legislation during this fall veto session to transfer ALERTS, ALECS and PIMS systems to a newly created organization called the Illinois Public Safety Agency Network (IPSAN). We have been informed that the Governor has agreed not to oppose the transfer of these systems. In the meantime, before the systems are transferred, the Governor's Office has requested us to operate using prudent judgment to ensure that the systems remain viable. The IS Unit is now in the process of preparing for the possible departure of these systems. A transition team has been formed and we are gathering information in preparation of the probable ALERTS, ALECS and PIMS exit.

The IS Unit has been migrating PIMS agencies from an HP3000 mainframe platform to a SQL dot net platform. In the fourth quarter, the IS Unit, through the process of migration, cleared, PIMS agencies off one of the HP3000 mainframes. Other PIMS agencies still reside on two of the HP3000 devices and the migration process will continue. We are hopeful of having all data migrated in the very near future. This will dovetail with the transition of the systems to the new location.

The Operations department has completed the stabilization of ALERTS.Net Host communication from Motorola RNC and CAD services. In addition, they have completed the following: tuning of the Microsoft SQL Database, development of the new

ALERTS CAD Console messaging standards, development on a replacement product for ALERTS WaveSoft police unit terminals, development on a TCP/IP ALERTS police unit terminal Implemented Wings Message box to allow increased speed capability and larger roaming area for the entire ALERTS system, all CAD Console Communication has been completed with the exception of 4 police departments, and the local modem police stations have been replaced with TCP/IP access.

Improvements to the Authority's Networking Infrastructure

The daily support of in-house computerized systems and technical assistance to the internal and external agency users remained the core responsibilities of Systems Support.

During this reporting period we focused on keeping up-to-date with software and subscriptions upgrades for our email, backup, firewall and file servers. The software for these upgrades included Antivirus Symantec, Veritas Backupexec, CheckPoint NG R55 and a statistical program SPSS.

Due to failing performance we had to replace our existing external Domain Name Server. The upgrades continue for the Authority's new email server. All internal users and public folders were moved from the present email server to the new one. Symantec for Mail Security 4.6, Symantec Antivirus 10.0 Corporate Edition and the trial version of Symantec Antispam were also installed and configured. The host and email records of the server were placed in our external Domain Name Server making it a separate email entity on the Internet.

A newly purchased web server for the Infonet system was connected to the network and set up with the Windows 2003 Enterprise operating system. In addition to this, the old Infonet firewall was eliminated and the Infonet network was moved and configured on to the ICJIA firewall.

The Authority's Information Systems for Law Enforcement

ISU Customer Service staff continues to conduct training, answer calls for service and provide support for customers of the Authority's systems. There were a total of 679 calls for service from June 3, 2005 through August 18, 2005. Customer Service also provides technical support via telephone and e-mail for users of the InfoNet database system.

Customer Service continues to finalize migrating ALERTS and ALECS agencies from the legacy HP3000 platform to the Microsoft browser-based platform. The PIMSNet rollout, in addition to the ALERTSNet rollout, is also moving along and agencies continue to be trained and moved over to the new SQL platform.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members

From: Karen Levy McCanna

Date: August 17, 2005

Re: Illinois Integrated Justice Information System (IIJIS) Project Update

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

- The June 9th IIJIS Summit took place in Lisle, Illinois. Attendance exceeded 200 persons, representing various criminal justice agencies and all the major areas of the criminal justice system. The Honorable Jessie White opened the all day event by encouraging agencies to work toward state wide integration. Participants enjoyed sessions on integration governance, building a business case for integration, the history of the IIJIS project, I-CLEAR, information privacy, and strategic planning. In addition, vendors were on hand to demonstrate integration options.
- The Planning and Policy sub-committees on Incident Reporting (7/22) and Standardized Booking / Rap Sheet (8/15) met to develop their assigned business plans. Each sub-committee completed a first draft and are currently working to refine their respective business plans for presentation to the Planning and Policy Committee.
- The IIJIS Executive Steering Committee is scheduled to meet on 9/8. The August Implementation Board meeting will be rescheduled with the date to be announced.
- Mark Myrent, the IIJIS Project Manager has resigned from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (effective 7/15) and taken a position with the Cook County Juvenile Courts. Wil Nagel has returned to work on the IIJIS project as of 8/15.



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Memorandum

To: Authority Members
From: Ted Miller, Chief Fiscal Officer
Date: August 30, 2005
Re: Authority Fiscal Reports

Attached are FY2005 fiscal reports covering the period July 1, 2004 through July 31, 2005.

Exhibit #1 – Operations

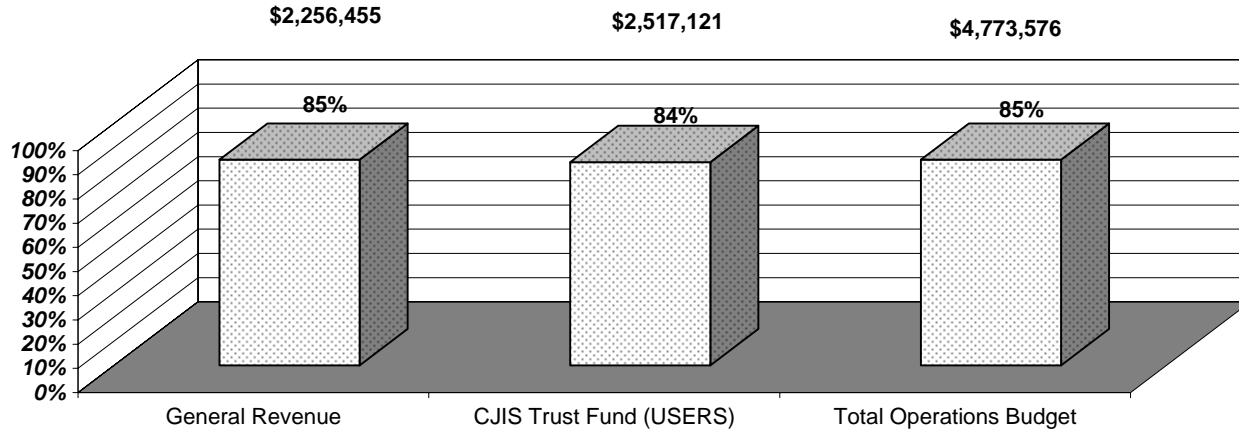
As shown in the attached report, we have obligated or expended 85% of our total operations budget for FY2005 as of July 31, 2005 and 85% of our General Revenue operations budget has been expended or obligated.

Exhibit #2 – Awards and Grants

Exhibit 2 details obligations and expenditures for total Awards and Grants. As of July 31, 2005, we have expended or obligated 91% of our General Revenue matching funds appropriation and 62% of our total appropriation for these budget lines.

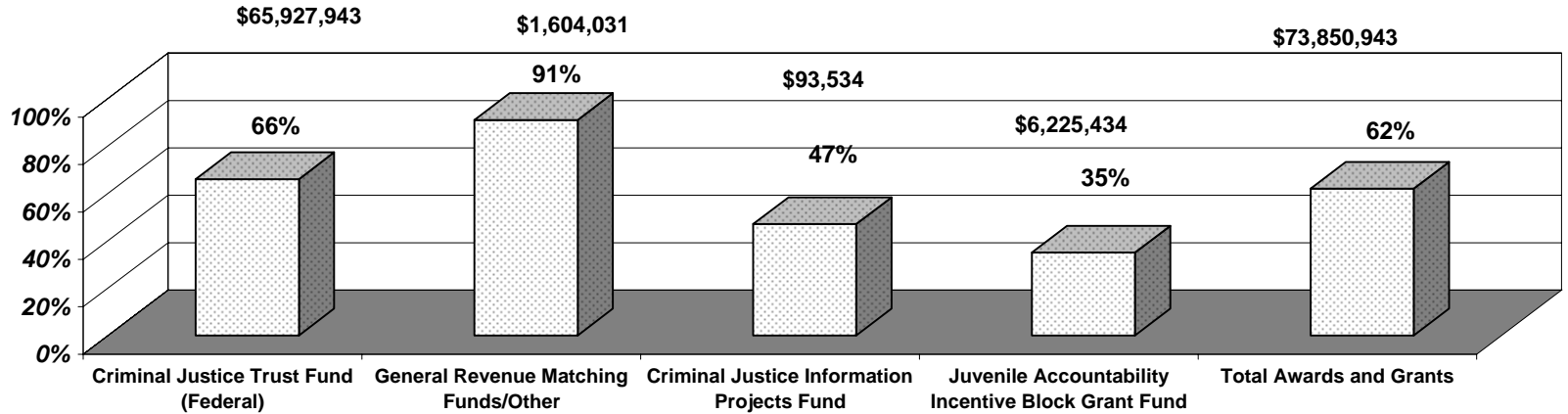
I will be available at the Authority meeting to answer any questions you may have regarding these reports.

Exhibit #1 - Operations
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
FY 2005 Expenditures/Obligations
 July 1, 2004 - July 31, 2005



	General Revenue				Criminal Justice Information Systems Trust Fund				Total			
	Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/ Obligations	Balance
Personal Services	\$1,279,312	\$0	\$1,135,508	\$143,804	\$879,300	\$0	\$720,752	\$158,548	\$2,158,612	\$0	\$1,856,260	\$302,352
Retirement - State Pick-Up	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$26,400	\$0	\$15,718	\$10,682	\$26,400	\$0	\$15,718	\$10,682
Retirement	\$206,045	\$0	\$181,728	\$24,317	\$141,620	\$0	\$116,143	\$25,477	\$347,665	\$0	\$297,871	\$49,794
FICA	\$100,843	\$0	\$83,320	\$17,523	\$68,000	\$0	\$52,758	\$15,242	\$168,843	\$0	\$136,078	\$32,765
Group Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$204,000	\$0	\$150,693	\$53,307	\$204,000	\$0	\$150,693	\$53,307
Contractual	\$652,000	\$0	\$575,952	\$76,048	\$233,650	\$0	\$102,766	\$130,884	\$885,650	\$0	\$678,718	\$206,932
Travel	\$16,300	\$0	\$4,639	\$11,661	\$14,151	\$0	\$2,903	\$11,248	\$30,451	\$0	\$7,542	\$22,909
Commodities	\$15,450	\$0	\$11,386	\$4,064	\$6,100	\$0	\$0	\$6,100	\$21,550	\$0	\$11,386	\$10,164
Printing	\$16,300	\$0	\$10,694	\$5,606	\$4,000	\$0	\$150	\$3,850	\$20,300	\$0	\$10,844	\$9,456
Equipment	\$2,900	\$0	\$937	\$1,963	\$4,500	\$0	\$0	\$4,500	\$7,400	\$0	\$937	\$6,463
EDP	\$263,100	\$0	\$197,067	\$66,033	\$1,177,450	\$0	\$1,135,052	\$42,398	\$1,440,550	\$0	\$1,332,119	\$108,431
Telecommunications	\$82,200	\$0	\$49,956	\$32,244	\$241,000	\$0	\$217,836	\$23,164	\$323,200	\$0	\$267,792	\$55,408
Operation of Auto	\$6,700	\$0	\$5,268	\$1,432	\$7,400	\$0	\$2,351	\$5,049	\$14,100	\$0	\$7,618	\$6,482
Total	\$2,641,150	\$0	\$2,256,455	\$384,695	\$3,007,571	\$0	\$2,517,121	\$490,450	\$5,648,721	\$0	\$4,773,576	\$875,145
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):			85%	15%			84%	16%			85%	15%

Exhibit #2 - Awards & Grants
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority
FY 2005 Expenditures/Obligations
 July 1, 2004 - July 31, 2005



	Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)			General Revenue Matching Funds/Other				Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund		
	Appropriation	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance
Federal Assistance Support	\$5,600,000	\$3,732,726	\$1,867,274	\$796,800	\$0	\$721,941	\$74,859			
State Agencies	\$13,359,600	\$9,308,742	\$4,050,858	\$960,000	\$0	\$882,091	\$77,909			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.	\$39,579,300	\$37,213,731	\$2,365,569							
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$1,700,000	\$195,109	\$1,504,891	\$0				\$200,000	\$93,534	\$106,466
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives	\$40,000,000	\$15,477,636	\$24,522,364							
SANE Program							\$0			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant										
Total	\$100,238,900	\$65,927,943	\$34,310,957	\$1,756,800	\$0	\$1,604,031	\$152,769	\$200,000	\$93,534	\$106,466
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		66%	34%			91%	9%		47%	53%
	Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund - (Federal)			Total						
	Appropriation	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance			
Federal Assistance Support				\$6,396,800	\$0	\$4,454,666	\$1,942,134			
State Agencies				\$14,319,600	\$0	\$10,190,833	\$4,128,767			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.				\$39,579,300		\$37,213,731	\$2,365,569			
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$0			\$1,700,000		\$288,643	\$1,611,357			
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives				\$40,000,000		\$15,477,636	\$24,522,364			
SANE Program				\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant	\$17,540,000	\$6,225,434	\$11,314,566	\$17,540,000		\$6,225,434	\$11,314,566			
Total	\$17,540,000	\$6,225,434	\$11,314,566	\$119,535,700	\$0	\$73,850,943	\$45,884,758			
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		35%	65%			62%	38%			

General Revenue	85%
CJIS Trust Fund (USERS)	84%
Total Operations Budget	85%

Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)	66%
General Revenue Matching Funds/Other	91%
Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund	47%
Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund	35%
Total Awards and Grants	62%