

**MONROE COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION ALTERNATIVES INITIATIVE (JDAI)  
STEERING COMMITTEE  
MINUTES FOR NOVEMBER 14, 2023**

**In Attendance:** Amanda VanLeeuwen, Amy Matney, Cailin Parsch, Christian Carlisle, Christine McAfee, Jeff Hartman, Jeff Holland, Judge Holly Harvey, Laura Furr, Lily Albright, Linda Brady, Morgan Richardson, Nick Philbeck, Ruth Aydt, Sky Kilpatrick, Troy Hatfield, Tyler Mason, Vanessa Schmidt, Viki Thevenow

**1. WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS**

Welcome by **JDAI** Coordinator, Christine McAfee.

**2. YOUTH AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT**

Consultant Laura Furr spoke about increasing action in the **Youth and Family Engagement Workgroup**. There will be an increase in surveys given to juvenile clients with **Monroe County Circuit Court Probation**. Discussions are being held on how these surveys will be implemented and the data will be used. We are looking for 7-12 people ranging from 18-25 years old with prior juvenile justice system experience to be part of the workgroup. Judge Holly Harvey asked if participants are being recruited through exit surveys. Christine McAfee stated that recruitment is happening via exit surveys, distributing flyers, juvenile probation officers reaching out to past clients, and the **Monroe County Circuit Court Probation** website. Jeff Hartman shared that when probation officers reach out to recruit there isn't always a positive reaction. Many people believe that probation is law enforcement and don't want to speak with us or return our calls. Ruth Aydt asked about compensation for participants. Christine shared that grant money is available that will allow \$25-50 per session. As of now, sessions will be held virtually. Tyler Mason suggested reaching out to community members and local hang outs for this age group. Lily Albright suggested students at the **Broadview Learning Center** could be potential participants. She offered the school as a safe meeting space if needed.

**3. GRANT UPDATES**

Christine shared information about the 2023-2024 grant. Grant funding was used to provide food and water for a back-to-school event hosted by **Helping Hands Mission**. There were 600 people in attendance to this event. Funding is also being used to provide swag bags and giveaways at youth summits hosted by the **City of Bloomington**. These summits are open to the public and geared towards Black and Latino students. Partnerships with the **Warehouse** and **Centerstone** for *Teen Intervene* are continuing with grant funding. Additionally, a partnership is being funded with **Monroe County Community School Corporation (MCCSC)** to provide *Trust Based Relational Intervention (TBRI)* training to teachers.

In January 2024, **Monroe County JDAI** will receive a performance review grant for \$62,000. When Christine applied for the grant, she was praised for the positive changes that have been seen in **Monroe County**. This additional funding will be used to support **TABLEAU** data visualizations, Quest modifications, **TBRI** trainings, the Warehouse, the **Youth Services Bureau (YSB)** truancy program, and youth and family engagement efforts.

The grant for 2024-2025 is due to the state on December 1, 2023. This grant will be for \$75,000 and will begin on July 1, 2024. Grant funding will be used for data research, **TABLEAU**, Quest, and to support the *Monroe County Childhood Conditions Summit*. For this grant, we are also expanding partnerships to **P.A.L.S (People & Animals Learning Services)** and implementing a program called *Parent Project*, a 10-week parent intervention course to help parents with youth who are challenging.

**4. MONROE COUNTY ADULT EDUCATION**

Lily with **Broadview Learning Center** provided an informational packet on the services provided and gave the workgroup a tour of the school. Please see the attachments to these minutes for the information.

**5. 2024 MEETING DATES AND LOCATION**

February 13, 2024

May 14, 2024

August 13, 2024

November 12, 2024

*All meetings will be offered both in-person and virtually from 12:00pm to 1:15pm, at Community Corrections, 405 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street.*

Respectfully submitted,

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Juvenile Division Secretary