

Work Group to Re-envision the Jail Replacement Project

Small Group Activity Template– Intercepts 0-2

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Instructions:

The following table lists Key Events and Potential Strategies for SIM Intercepts 0 to 2, as detailed in the Issue Brief. The list of potential strategies gives ideas offered by Work Group members during interviews, and potential strategies identified by the Technical Support Team. *The Examples of Potential Strategies* column is not intended to be comprehensive or to suggest order of importance, rather the examples are intended to stimulate discussion and result in the development of strategies that the WG members believe show the most promise to **reduce the jail population and close CJ’s 3 &4**. The WG ideas will be documented in the column titled “*Work Group Strategies for further Consideration.*” As WG members develop new or bring forward ideas from existing efforts, please think about the following two questions:

- Which of these strategies do you believe is **most promising** for reducing the jail population and closing CJ #3 & 4?
- Which of these strategies do you believe will have an **immediate impact** (by 2020)?

Intercept	Key Events	Examples of Potential Strategies	Work Group Strategies for further Consideration
<p>Intercept 0-Community</p>		<p>Work Group Member Interviews:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prioritize housing placements for individuals involved in the criminal justice system. • Increase the number of psychiatric beds available. • Integrate physician recommendations into the Courts’ case review process. • Increase the number of beds for step-down residential behavioral health care. • Expand police accountability and transparency. • Review detentions on quality of life and failure to appear infractions for individuals unable to pay fines. 	<p>The group discussed on-site wrap around services (job-training, behavioral health, City services and CBOs, housing.) Prioritize low-income communities of color. Including improved coordination and consistency of service delivery.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing prioritization – discussion might be better suited for later intercepts. • Community elements should be available regardless of justice involvement status • Persistent traumatic stress disorder – how to address, especially in public housing in the Southeast. Environments that foster and lead to criminal justice interactions. ACES – adverse childhood experiences and likelihood to interact with crime. • Trauma informed approaches to services. Identify gaps in community services. Consider potential opportunities prior to criminal justice interactions. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Imbed in community – focus on housing authority sites ○ Mental health, substance use, and wraparound services on-site in housing authority sites. ○ Address impacts of displacement ○ City Housing Plan for young adults ○ Collaboration, continuity, and coordination of community

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Intercept 1- Law Enforcement and Emergency Services	Law enforcement requested to do a welfare check, no crime has occurred	<p>Work Group Member Interviews:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create coordinated/joint response teams to de-escalate and divert individuals with behavioral health needs. • Place mental health crisis call workers into the 911 call center. • Create a pre-arrest, pre-booking triage center for diversion. <p>Technical Support Team:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish new Navigation Center serving homeless individuals with behavioral health needs. • Create citywide policies and procedures to prioritize a client’s behavioral health needs. 	<p>The group discussed alternative crisis response methods. Crisis response and opportunities for community involvement to reduce unnecessary arrests and prison bookings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fortify interventions that do not require police – to the extent possible, and when available avoid and minimize contact with police. Use alternatives prior to calling police. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Make other options for interventions more readily used and make people aware of them as alternatives to calling the police. • Police are going to be involved – how to ensure that they respond in a way that deescalates or channels to appropriate services to avoid unnecessary arrests and prison stays. • Critical Response Team (former program) – community partnership with police to go on calls to help deescalate and attend to family and community concerns in the moment. • Community policing - consistency of police staffing to maintain and build community knowledge. • Existing program SVIP improvements – 1) when there is a shooting Police contact DPH & 2) utilize community partners help prevent or interrupt potential shootings or violent incidents. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Improvement: make the SVIP partnership more immediate. New Hampshire does something like this. • “Nuisance” mentally ill differentiated from individuals committing crimes or are a threat to themselves or others and are also mentally ill – ensure services are available to those who do not fall into the later category to avoid unnecessary arrest or incarceration. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ More behavioral health and mental health professionals on the street. ○ Make beds services available for people to as alternatives

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	Law enforcement arrests and detains an individual after a crime has occurred	Technical Support Team: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop a 47 bed behavioral health program at General Hospital to provide voluntary mental health and substance use disorder treatment services. • End housing for federal detainees. 	

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Intercept 2 – Initial Detention and Initial Hearing	Cite and release from County Jail		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arnold tool – assessing people on risk of re-offence, as opposed to bail, is a better method. Ensure success and uptake of the tool - use is discretionary by judges. • Review cases on the weekends – DA, Public Defender, Adult Probation, Courts, & Sheriff’s deputies (whole system). • Charging decisions and equity (or inequity) from a social justice perspective. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Arnold tool a step toward reducing biased charging ○ Probation violations – probation holds and prevention of access to OR; flash incarcerations. Seek opportunities to review use of these tools when unnecessary.

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Intercept #2 (Continued)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thoughtful release policies across the system <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Timing of jail release – including time of day • Analysis of racial disparities at each intercept; including disproportionate concentration of certain racial groups across intercepts.
	Release on Own Recognizance (OR)	<p>Work Group Interviews:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the success rate of pretrial diversion programs and expand on what works. <p>Technical Support Team:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop an open court system to determine the release of individuals on pre-arraignment OR. 	
	Release on bail	<p>Work Group Interviews:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subsidize bail to reduce or eliminate bail payment. • Increase staffing of the Public Defender’s Bail Unit. <p>Technical Support Team:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reform or abolish the cash bail system • Replace cash bail with risk-based release decisions • Reduce bail amounts 	
	Comprehensive Health Assessments		

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	Jail Classification and Housing Determination		
	Charging (Filing) Decision	Technical Support Team: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Analyze District Attorney charging decisions to determine how to reduce unnecessary arrests and bookings.• Assign District Attorney prosecutors, paralegals, and staff to make charging decisions on weekends to reduce length of stay.	