Alternatives to Incarceration

Work Group

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Meeting

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Hall of Administration
500 W. Temple St., Los Angeles, CA 90012
Agenda

• Opening Remarks and Purpose – Dr. Ross
• ATI Interim Report Vision and Themes – Dr. Ross
• ATI Ad Hoc Goals -
  • Community-Based System of Care - Eunisses Hernandez
  • Justice System Reform - Peter Espinoza
  • Summary of Community Engagement, Data/Research, and Funding – Dr. Ross
• Next Steps and Questions – Dr. Ross
Opening Remarks and Purpose

To provide the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors a *Road Map*, with an action-oriented framework and implementation plan, to scale alternatives to incarceration and diversion so care and services are provided first and jail is a last resort.
Move Away From
punishment
jail/courts as default
central jail as focal point
disconnected/fragmented
partial & sporadic diversion
inadequate service capacity
exacerbating racial inequality

Move Towards
prevention & treatment
community-based system of care
decentralized system
integrated, networked, holistic
diversion at all points
human-centered, at full capacity
racial equity lens
Expand, scale, and increase community-based, holistic care and services through sustainable and equitable community capacity building and service coordination

Avoid law enforcement response to individuals experiencing homelessness, mental health, and/or substance use disorders

Support pretrial release and diversion into meaningful services

Provide alternative placements into effective treatment and services, instead of jail time

Meaningful engagement and compensation for people directly impacted by the justice system in the pursuit of needed solutions
Community Based System of Care Goals

- Increase access and remove barriers to community-based services by addressing the social determinants of health
  - Build a decentralized system of health campuses and care villages
  - Reroute 911 calls away from law enforcement toward appropriate mental and behavioral health crisis response
  - Support, train and incentivize clients and support network to follow care plans and supply care
- Expand the community-based system of care
  - Utilize, coordinate and strengthen incubation opportunities
  - Provide organizational capacity building resources
  - Standardize and simplify contracting processes
- Coordinate community-based services
  - Create an Alternatives to Incarceration Coordination Initiative
- Expand community health worker and peer support models
Justice System Reform Goals

➢ Mental Health/Law Enforcement
  ➢ Reduce and improve interactions between law enforcement and people with mental health needs
  ➢ Increase diversion opportunities and improve training for law enforcement

➢ Pre-Trial/Bail Reform
  ➢ Reduce pretrial detention and increase services

➢ Case Processing
  ➢ Formally implement recent legislative opportunities for earlier diversion away from the justice system for people with behavioral health disorders, from the booking stage throughout the court process

➢ Mental Health Court Programs
  ➢ Expand and ensure easy access and timely linkage to treatment services for clients involved in the court process to a broader range of behavioral health programs
  ➢ Expand use of conservatorships

➢ Reentry
  ➢ Improve pre-release and reentry practices to ensure that individuals can transition directly from jail into appropriate community-based treatment and services
Summary of Community Engagement, Funding and Data/Research Goals
Next Steps

• 6 Month Timeline:
  • Final Roadmap Presented to the Board (December 2019)
    • Implementation Plan for Strategies
    • Identify and Leverage Criminal Justice and Public Health Resources to maximize resource availability to meet the full scope of ATI recommendations.
    • Exploration of subpopulations (women, LGBTQIA+, gender non-conforming)
    • Continued racial equity analysis
    • Incorporation of community engagement feedback
QUESTIONS & THANK YOU