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Regular Meeting  
Friday December 2, 2005 at 9:00 a.m.  
120 South Riverside Plaza, 21<sup>st</sup> Floor Conference Room  
Chicago

**AGENDA**

- Call to Order and Roll Call
- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the September 9, 2005 Regular Meeting
- Chairman's Remarks
- 2. Executive Director's Remarks
- 3. Budget Committee Report (*Eugene E. Murphy Jr. Chair*)
  - a. Report on the October 24, 2005 and November 30, 2005 Meetings
  - b. Fiscal Report
- Presentation on Chicago Police Department's Deployment Operations Center
- Adjourn

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**MINUTES**

REGULAR MEETING  
ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY

September 9, 2005  
120 S. Riverside Plaza, 21<sup>st</sup> 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  
Macon County Sheriff Jerry Dawson  
Cook County State's Attorney Richard Devine  
Ms. Barbara Engel  
State Appellate Defender Theodore Gottfried  
DeKalb County Circuit Court Clerk Maureen Josh  
Attorney General Designee Ellen Mandeltort  
Mr. Eugene Murphy  
Mr. John Piland  
Cook County Board President John Stroger

**Approval of the Minutes of the June 3, 2005 Authority Meeting**

*{Mr. Murphy made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 3, 2005. Ms. Josh seconded the motion, which passed by unanimous voice vote.}*

**Chairman's Remarks**

Chairman Sorosky welcomed new Authority member Sheriff Jerry Dawson. Chairman Sorosky noted that Sheriff Dawson would be replacing Sheriff Bukowski.

**Executive Director's Report**

Director Levin introduced John Chojnacki as the new supervisor for Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, Marilyn Mazewski as a Criminal Justice Specialist, and Anthony Haywood as a Data Processing Specialist. Director Levin noted that there were two resignations: Mark Myrent, the IJIS Project Manager, and Karen Griffiths, the INFONET Project Manager.

Director Levin reported that after the legislative session ended, a group from the advisory board of ALERTS, ALECS, PIMS and PIMSnet met with the Governor's Office, Office of Budget and Management. Director Levin noted that the users have had concerns regarding the trust fund transfer and the study that was exploring the convergence of the Authority's systems with those of the Illinois State Police. The users propose to take over the systems as a not-for-profit organization called the Illinois Public Safety Agency Network. Staff has been instructed to begin transition plans, but to also maintain the systems as if the ownership will remain with the Authority.

Director Levin noted that the Authority hosted a visit from two U.S. House appropriations committee member

staffers. Also attending were Cook County State's Attorney's Office, Chicago Police Department, Illinois State Police, MEGs and task forces, Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority staff, and downstate law enforcement.

Director Levin highlighted that the IJIS summit was held on June 9 and acknowledged Clerk Brown for her good work. The summit attendance exceeded 200 people representing the criminal justice system. Director Levin also noted that the Juvenile Justice Commission met with Authority staff and others regarding the issue of disproportionate minor contact within the juvenile justice system in Illinois.

Clerk Brown spoke of her concerns regarding the transfer of the Authority's information systems to a not-for-profit agency. Director Levin added that the users themselves would be filing legislation for the transfer of the systems in the veto session and the Governor's Office agreed not to object to the users transferring the systems.

Clerk Brown asked how the users would be funded. Director Levin noted that it is her understanding that the users would take over the trust fund money, which is the trust fund into which money is paid by the users to fund the system. Clerk Brown reiterated her concerns and noted the need for the Authority to advise the Governor as to the potential for a not-for-profit agency to undertake this governmental role. The Authority members had further discussion on the issues and then Chairman Sorosky called on Budget Committee Chairman Mr. Murphy.

#### **Budget Committee Report**

Chairman Sorosky called on Budget Committee Chairman Mr. Murphy. Mr. Murphy explained the fees were paid to the Authority by the users to operate the system and there would be no net loss to the Authority; it would be a case of taking the component out and moving it. Mr. Murphy moved on to speak about the June 20 Budget Committee meeting. Mr. Murphy noted money was designated for additional forensic training seminars, West Suburban Major Violent Crimes Task Force, and \$12,000 for Cook County Girls Link.

Mr. Murphy discussed previous meetings and action regarding user fee increases. Mr. Murphy indicated that at the last Budget Committee meeting, a 30% increase in user fees was passed. Chairman Sorosky added the fee increase would take effect July 1, 2006.

Mr. Piland indicated that the fundamental problem is that the money the users paid into the system was taken out. Mr. Piland noted that the Authority Board agreed the money was wrongly taken and asked that the money be restored, but it was not restored. Mr. Piland indicated that he thinks the reason the users want their own not-for-profit is not because the Authority is unable to do their work, but because they can't trust state government not to take funds that they themselves and their local taxpayers have paid to maintain the system.

Authority members had further discussion about system funding issues, and the role of the Authority regarding the systems. Director Levin confirmed that in addition to managing funding, there are Authority staff that run the system, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Sheriff Dawson indicated that the Authority Board should support the chiefs, sheriffs and municipalities to support this move, because nothing can guarantee this from happening again next year.

Director Levin asked Ms. Rossi her opinion on how the users feel about the privatization. Ms Rossi confirmed the users' unanimous support of privatization.

Clerk Brown motioned to send this issue to the Legislation and Regulations Committee and then the Authority Board could take a position on the legislation.

*{Ms. Brown made a motion that the Authority take this issue to the Legislation and Regulations Committee. Mr. Piland seconded the motion, which was approved by voice unanimous vote.}*

Chairman Sorosky asked Director Levin to report on the justice planning process and victim service planning processes. Director Levin called on Karen Griffiths to discuss the fund planning process for the JAG Program, which combined the former Byrne and LLEBG Programs, and Jennifer Vesely to discuss the planning process for victim service funding. Karen Griffiths outlined the JAG planning process and Jennifer Vesely discussed the victim services

fund planning process.

**Assessment of Disproportionate Minority contact with Illinois's Juvenile Justice System**

Chairman Sorosky called on Mr. Stevenson to make a presentation on disproportionate minority contact with the juvenile justice system. Mr. Stevenson spoke about a portion of the research being conducted for, and through support of, the Illinois Juvenile Justice Commission, regarding disproportionate minority contact with the juvenile justice system.

[Mr. Stevenson displayed a PowerPoint presentation (attached) outlining the presentation, and addressed members' questions.]

**Adjourn**

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



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# Memorandum

**To:** Authority Members  
**From:** Diane M. Devereux, Associate Director of Human Resources  
**Date:** October 27, 2005  
**Re:** Summary of Human Resources Activities

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

## **Recruitment, Screening and Hiring**

We have had three (3) employees who took part in the SERS Alternative Retirement Cancellation Payment.

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:

*Adrienne Frederick – Public Information Officer II*

- Ran background and fingerprint checks on all new employees & interns
- Worked bid lists for all posted bargaining unit positions
- Awaiting approval for several ePARS (approval to hire) regarding current vacancies
- Posted employment opportunity notifications via the ICJIA web site, CMS, and various other entities
- Formulating a recruitment plan for underutilized Affirmative Action categories. This is an agency initiative.

## **Employee Benefits**

- Ongoing assistance to employees with RX services through 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 staff with disability and family leave information. Processed all related medical/administrative paperwork
- Tracked ongoing leaves
- 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
- Assisting employees with questions regarding their SERS status and/or reciprocal benefits
- Staff attending meetings related to Benefit Programs

### **Salaries & Compensation**

- Continued bi-monthly payroll processing for 81 employees
- 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
- Tracking balances of employees who do not qualify for overtime under FLSA and receive Equivalent Earned Time (EET) as of July 1, 2005. (CMS does not have a tracking program developed as yet.)
- Worked with units in improving more timely and orderly timesheet submission. This has proven to assist with more efficient processing of time inputting.

### **Equal Employment Opportunities**

- Submitted 1st quarter EEO report for FY2006
- FY2006 Affirmative Action Plan was approved
- Training will be ongoing for Affirmative Action Planning for our agency in order to meet and attain our hiring goals
- Completing the State Hispanic Employment Plan Survey 2005
- Will be working as an agency to formulate a comprehensive Hispanic Affirmative Action Plan
- 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 attended the Kent Law Seminar on November 4, 2005
- Coordinated Labor Relations Training for all supervisory staff
- Establishing ongoing training as part of the agency Affirmative Action goals

- Supervisory/Management Staff completing Interview and Selection (RUTAN) Training
- New employees completed Ethics Training
- New employees completed Sexual Harassment training
- Coordinated Sexual Harassment training for staff
- Provided staff with access to the CMS Job Posting System that details vacant positions throughout the State
- Agency renewed 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)
- Award notification for employees for the 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 1st quarter reports for FY2006
- EEO Affirmative Action Plan approved for FY2006
- End of the month headcount and staff salary information distributed to executive staff
- Hispanic Employment Plan Survey
- AFSME monthly transaction reports
- Monthly Headcount reports for Fiscal



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# Memorandum

**To:** Authority Members  
**From:** Jennifer Vesely/Kristi Kangas  
**Date:** November 10, 2005  
**Re:** Office of General Counsel Report – December 2, 2005 Authority Meeting

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This memorandum highlights the work performed by the Office of General Counsel from August 20, 2005 through November 10, 2005.

## **Document Preparation and Review**

- Over 480 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 RSAT. Reviewed/developed RFPs, 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 privacy certificates for research and evaluation projects.

## **Meetings/Training**

- Attended Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Legislative Committee meetings.
- Attended the National Criminal Justice Association's Board of Directors meeting in Florida.
- Participated in the Global Privacy and Information Quality Workgroup meeting to assist in developing a Privacy Sourcebook for policy makers.

- Assisted in preparation for, and chaired, the Privacy Workgroup 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 Grant Review Committee meeting.
- Attended the BJA 2005 Regional Conference Series in Minneapolis.

### **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.
- Reviewed and commented on SB2137 which creates the Illinois Public Safety Agency Network (ISPAN) and transfers the police communication systems to this agency.
- 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.
- Provided technical assistance to staff and the Illinois Department of Corrections on VOI-TIS allowability.
- Provided technical assistance and coordinated meetings to assist the Federal and State Grants Unit with JABG.
- Provided consultation with various staff members regarding interpretations of the ethics laws.
- Participated in JAG and VOCA/VAWA grant planning processes.
- 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.

### **Office of Public Information**

The Office of Public Information (OPI) designs, edits and publishes the Authority's written materials, including: press releases; the agency's annual report; the agency's newsletter called, "The Compiler"; and other publications such as research reports, research bulletins, and evaluation summaries. OPI staff also respond to information and assistance requests from the public, the media, and others.

### **Press Releases**

- Published one press release (available on the Authority's website):

**Sept. 1, 2005: Reported elder abuse up 84 percent in Illinois since 1993**

CHICAGO - Reports of elder abuse are increasing at an alarming rate despite a multiyear decline in Illinois crime, according to an analysis of existing data recently completed by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA).

- Contributed significantly to press releases that were part of two Governor's Press Office initiatives (available on the Authority's website):

**August 12, 2005: Gov. Blagojevich signs legislative package aimed at halting the ravages of methamphetamine in Illinois**

GRANITE CITY - In an effort to curb the alarming problem of methamphetamine production and use ravaging Illinois communities, Gov. Rod R. Blagojevich signed several new laws that give law enforcement more tools to protect Illinois families and farmers.

**Sept. 13, 2005: Gov. Blagojevich announces \$4.2 million to help victims of domestic violence and sexual assault**

CHICAGO - Governor Rod R. Blagojevich today announced that the U.S. Department of Justice has granted Illinois \$4.2 million for programs to help women who have been victims of sexual assault and domestic violence.

- Drafted and released to all downstate media outlets: OP ED -- October 21, 2005: ALL KIDS WILL HELP KEEP TODAY'S YOUTH HEALTHY, SAFE, AND IN SCHOOL
- Developing release for ICJIA announcement of state's continued success in fighting motor vehicle theft.

**Other**

- Edited the CJ Dispatch, e-mailed twice monthly to ICJIA website users.
- Edited and designed Research Bulletin: "Elder abuse rapidly increasing as Illinois population ages"
- Edited and designed Research Bulletin: "Children's risk of homicide: Victimization from birth to age 14, 1965 to 1995"
- Edited and designed Research Bulletin: "A decade of trends in Illinois crime: 1995-2004"
- Edited and designed Research Bulletin: "The impact of methamphetamine on Illinois communities"
- Edited and designed Research Bulletin: "Managing offenders with serious mental illness"
- Edited and designed Research at a Glance: "Reported elder abuse cases on the rise in Illinois"
- Initiated edits to Program Evaluation Summary: "Community mobilization: Best practices and lessons learned"

If you need additional information, please contact me.



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# Memorandum

**To:** Authority Members  
**From:** Ted Miller, Chief Fiscal Officer  
**Date:** November 21, 2005  
**Re:** Authority Fiscal Reports

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Attached are FY2005 fiscal reports covering the period July 1, 2004 through September 30, 2005.

## **Exhibit #1 – Operations**

As shown in the attached report (Exhibit 1), we have obligated or expended 85% of our total operations budget for FY2005 as of September 30, 2005 and 85% of our General Revenue operations budget has been expended or obligated.

## **Exhibit #2 – Awards and Grants**

As shown in the attached report (Exhibit 2), details obligations and expenditures for total Awards and Grants. As of September 30, 2005, we have expended or obligated 87% of our General Revenue matching funds appropriation and 56% 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.



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Attached are FY2006 fiscal reports covering the period July 1, 2005 through October 31, 2006.

## **Exhibit #1 – Operations**

As shown in the attached report (Exhibit 1), we have obligated or expended 26% of our total operations budget for FY2006 as of October 31, 2005 and 22% of our General Revenue operations budget has been expended or obligated.

## **Exhibit #2 – Awards and Grants**

As shown in the attached report (Exhibit 2) details obligations and expenditures for total Awards and Grants. As of October 31, 2005, we have expended or obligated 38% of our General Revenue matching funds appropriation and 53% 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.



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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Authority Members  
**From:** Ted Miller  
Chief Fiscal Officer  
**Date:** November 10, 2005  
**Re:** Summary of Office of Fiscal Management Activities

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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:

- FY06 1st Quarter Accounts Receivable Reports.
- 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**

- Sent out 2<sup>nd</sup> half of FY06 billing for the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Trust Fund.

**Federal Grants**

- Conducted preliminary budget reviews of approximately 173 interagency agreements.
- Processed 257 contract obligation documents (\$17,911,816) and 576 vouchers (\$14,772,816) 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 is nearing completion with the 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.

## **Budget**

- The FY07 Budget process has begun and the main issue for the Authority in FY07 is the state wide 4% reduction in General Revenue Funds.



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# Memorandum

**To:** Authority Members  
**From:** Ron Reichgelt/John Chojancki  
**Date:** November 16, 2005  
**Re:** Federal and State Grants Unit Report – December 2, 2005 Authority Meeting

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The staff assigned to the Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU) performed the following activities during the period of August 1, 2005, to October 31, 2005. During this period, FSGU headcount dropped from 21 to 19, as the FSGU Associate Director and one Program Supervisor positions were vacated. Other vacancies have yet to be filled.

## Grant Activities

During the reporting period FSGU staff monitored 624 grants, representing approximately \$134,118,243 in grant funds. Monitoring included the following:

- Reviewing (1,273) monthly or quarterly reports: (677) data and (596) fiscal;
- Initiating disbursement of funds requested by grantees;
- Conducting (over 33) 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 3,325 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 60 new agreements (grants), representing \$8,650,111 in grant funds. Processing of a new agreement includes:

- Negotiating the program narrative, budget, and budget narrative with the grantee;
- Processing the grant proposal for in-house legal, fiscal, and research and analysis reviews and comments;
- Making necessary changes and forwarding the agreement to the grantee for signature;
- Once returned, processing the agreement through the Office of General Counsel for the executive director's signature, and, when signed, returning a fully executed copy to the grantee as well as other contacts; and

- Initiating an obligation and disbursing any initial funds that are requested.

### **Administrative Activities**

### **Meetings**

During the reporting period, FSGU staff have planned for and/or staffed 7 meetings:

- Two Budget Committee meetings were held: September 7, 2005 and October 24, 2005.
- Planning began for a Budget Committee meeting to be held on November 30, 2005.
- Planning began for a Juvenile Crime Enforcement Coalition meeting to be held on November 15, 2005.
- The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (IMVTPC) conducted three meetings: 1) a regular IMVTPC meeting on September 9, 2005, 2) an IMVTPC Grant Review Committee meeting on October 12, 2005, and a special IMVTPC Grant Review Committee meeting on October 31, 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.

### **Trainings and Conferences**

Two staff members attended a domestic violence training session in Joliet, Illinois on August 30, 2005.

One staff member attended the VAWA, National STOP grant Administrators conference, September 12, 13, and 14 in Chicago, Illinois.

One staff member attended an Illinois Family Violence Coalition conference entitled *Persons with Disabilities and Sexual Assault* held in Springfield, Illinois on September 28, 2005.

Two staff members attended the VAWA Administrators meeting in Chicago, Illinois on September 12 through September 14, 2005.

One staff member attended a Balanced and Restorative Justice training session entitled *Peace Making Circles* in Oak Brook Terrace, Illinois on October 26, 2005.

### **FFY05 Awards Received:**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Date Received</b>	<b>Award Total</b>
National Forensic Science Improvement Act (NFSIA)	September 8th	\$412,349

Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) - Central	September 8th	\$95,551
Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) - Northern	September 2nd	\$296,560
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$804,460</b>

**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 NCHIP Federal Fiscal Years 1995 through 1999, LLEBG Federal Fiscal Years 1999 through 2002, JAIBG Federal Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001, NFSIA Federal Fiscal Year 2002 and 2003, RSAT Federal Fiscal Years 1998 through 2000, VAWA (Rural) Federal Fiscal Year 2002, and VOCA Federal Fiscal Year 2002.
- Staff is working to facilitate the expenditure of Criminal History Record Improvement funds for ADAA Federal Fiscal Years 1997 through 2002. Federal Fiscal Year 1997 through 2001 funds will expire March 31, 2006. Federal Fiscal Year 2002 funds will expire September 30, 2006.
- 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 has begun planning for the expenditure of the Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program funds. JAG will replace ADAA and LLEBG.



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## Memorandum

**To:** Authority Members

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

**Date:** November 10, 2005

**Re:** Research and Analysis Unit Report for the December 2, 2005 Authority Meeting  
(September – November, 2005)

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This memorandum highlights some of the work performed by staff of the Research and Analysis Unit since the Authority's last quarterly meeting. Please note that the Office of Public Information is now under the Office of General Counsel and will be reported in that section.

The Research and Analysis Unit has embarked on a year-long planning process to determine the criminal justice research needs in the State of Illinois. From this assessment, goals will be established with the Planning and Research Committee of the Authority Board, and then presented for consideration to the Budget Committee. The Planning and Research Committee of the Board met on September 22, 2005, and will be meeting quarterly to assist with this process. An in-depth needs assessment instrument has been sent to key criminal justice agencies and organizations in the state. A general website solicitation has been posted for input through December 31, 2005. In the next calendar year, the findings and recommendations will be reported.

### **I. ONGOING ACTIVITIES**

#### **A. Publications**

New publications since the last Authority Board meeting include:

Research Bulletin: "Elder abuse rapidly increasing as Illinois population ages"

Research at a Glance: “Reported elder abuse cases on the rise in Illinois”

Research Bulletin: "Children’s risk of homicide: Victimization from birth to age 14, 1965 to 1995"

Research Bulletin: "A decade of trends in Illinois crime: 1995-2004"

Research Bulletin: "The impact of methamphetamine on Illinois communities"

Evaluation Summary: “Community Mobilization: Best practices and lessons learned”

Evaluation Summary: “Evaluation of the Jackson County School-Based Probation Program”

Risk factors for femicide-suicide in abusive relationships: results from a multi-site case control study,” which will be published in *Violence and Victims*.

Comparison of official and unofficial sources of criminal history record information

Other publication releases slated for completion before the meeting include:

- Research Report: Methamphetamine: Quick Facts – Trends in Measures of Methamphetamine Activities in Illinois’ Eighth Judicial Circuit
- A series of seven guidebooks on balanced and restorative justice.
- Research Bulletin: Screening for Serious Mental Illness Among Offenders

## **B. Briefings/Presentations**

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

- Homicide Research Working Group.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Office of the Attorney General Illinois Youth Court Association Advisory Board.
- Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives grant sites meeting.
- Illinois Juvenile Detention Alternatives partners meeting.
- LiveScan User's Meetings, sharing of information regarding the funding of LiveScan via the Authority and benefits of participating with the CHRI audit project.
- 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.
- Midwest Criminal Justice Association Conference
- Chicago State University: Introduction to Restorative Justice
- Citywide [Chicago] BARJ Committee
- Community Corrections Research Network
- Justice Research and Statistics Association (JRSA) Annual Conference
- JRSA Annual Business Meeting
- Physicians for Human Rights: Beyond the Walls: Promoting Health and Human Rights of Youth in the Justice System
- The University of Illinois' Jane Addams Substance Abuse Research Collaboration Group
- The University of Illinois' Jane Addams College of Social Work monthly staff meeting

### **C. Criminal Justice Information Clearinghouse**

The Authority serves as a statewide clearinghouse for statistics and other information about the criminal justice system. Between July 1 and September 30, R&A staff responded to 270 requests from people seeking information — an average of 90 requests per month. Most came from the general public (36 percent) and other governmental agencies (34 percent). Other requests came from private agencies (16 percent), researchers (9 percent), students (3 percent), news media representatives (1 percent), and prison inmates (1 percent). About 26 percent of the requests originated in the Chicago metropolitan area. Forty percent originated in other parts of the state. All other requests for information were received from outside Illinois (17 percent) and unknown areas (17 percent). R&A distributed 18,633 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). During the past quarter, staff have begun to add archived publications to the website. We also continue to actively gather user satisfaction information and other feedback online. The site averaged more than 2,018 daily user sessions during this period, and 1,921 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. *[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 81 registered users. The forum requires little staff time, but members say that it is very useful to them.

Authority staff are also in the initial stages of developing web-based on-line training for a variety of Authority projects, including INFONET.

## **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. 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. *[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 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 Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, on the impact of gun violence on people of color.
- 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 reviewed research articles submitted for publication to Justice Quarterly.
- Staff met with Lori Crowder, UIC Jane Addams School of Social Work, to discuss collaborative research.
- 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.
- The SSN has been accepted for inclusion in an archive of scales, the HaPI (Health and Psychosocial Instruments) database. Staff have been working with the Department of Human

and Community Development at the University of Illinois and the Harvard Medical School, and the Department of Human and Community Development at University of Illinois, Urbana.

- 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.
- Staff provided technical assistance to the International Association of Women Judges, on results of the CWHRs that have practical implications to the courts.
- Staff provided technical assistance to the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence, in their annual Homicide Report.
- Staff is working with the Illinois State Police to develop policy and processes that will facilitate efficient dissemination of criminal history record information for research purposes.
- Staff is serving on the advisory board for the National Institute of Justice supported research project entitled “Providing a citywide system of single point access to domestic violence information, resources, and referrals to a diverse population: an evaluation of the city of Chicago domestic violence help line” conducted by staff from the City of Chicago’s Mayor’s Office on Domestic Violence and Loyola University’s Center for Urban Research and Learning.

#### **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 third 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 corrections, detention centers, parole 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 Fall 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. Staff are awaiting the release of data from IDOC. The final report on this project is scheduled for 2006.

#### **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 winding down. Auditors conducted site visits in 13 counties and collected arrest, submission, and charging data from each county. The data has been analyzed to determine the timeliness of reporting and entry into the central repository, accuracy of arrest information and completeness of repository records for agencies using electronic reporting methods. The draft text of the final report is being refined in preparation of inter-agency review and edit.

As electronic reporting becomes more common for criminal justice agencies, more states are publishing related audit methods and findings information. Auditors have begun the information gathering phase of planning a complimentary audit project that will examine electronic reporting of court and custodial data.

Audit center staff continue to provide technical support to the Authority's Federal and State Grants Unit (FSGU). Staff provide CHRI data quality and reporting information, along with data interpretation to assist grants staff in making LiveScan or other CHRI-related funding recommendations.

Illinois Intergrated Justice Information Systems Project. Audit staff currently chair the Booking/Rap sheet Sub-Committee of the Illinois Integrated Justice Information Systems (IIJIS) Planning and Policing Committee. The sub-committee has completed a draft business plan which identifies the issues associated with standardized rap sheets and booking data. The goal of the standardization is to facilitate electronic integration for data sharing within or between agencies.

In addition to the sub-committee duties, audit staff has provided assistance to the IIJIS project during the search for a new project director.

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, and documentation of the elements, accessible via the ad hoc data 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 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, submitted to Homicide Studies.
- ~ "Patterns and contextual characteristics of fatal and nonfatal violence against the elderly," with Ronet Bachman, an expert on national elderly victim data, will be presented at the ASC in November.
- ~ "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, will be presented at the ASC in November.

## **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 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 finalized. The third report is being reviewed by ICJIA, and a fourth report will follow shortly.

#### **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 available on the ICJIA and Urban Institute web sites. Past reports, available on the Urban Institute's website ([www.ui.urban.org](http://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 awaiting final edits.
- "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. This report was received in September and is under review.
- "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. This report was received in October and is under review.

## **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 Consulting 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 have completed IRB applications and hope to begin data collection this winter.

## **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 was released in September.

## **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 is awaiting final edits and will be available this fall. A follow-up evaluation was approved and began October 1.

#### **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. Requests for Proposals**

Three requests for proposals were issued this quarter. These include: Analysis of ICJIA datasets; Program Evaluations of Lake County Services for Female Offenders; Program Evaluations of Cook County Social Services for Female Offenders. A fourth RFP, investigator initiated research of priority issues, will be released this winter.

## **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), will be published in Violence and Victims (June, 2006).
- ~ "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), has been submitted as a chapter in a book on women and the criminal justice system
- ~ "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 Fall 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 continue to explore development of 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.

##### *Web-based Application for methamphetamine lab reporting*

Staff received 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.

### **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.

### **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 in order 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.

- All R&A staff have successfully completed a “Human Participants Protection Education for Research Teams” online, in order to better understand the role of the Institutional Review Board in the research process.
- Staff are participating in a voluntary Brown Bag Journal Club lunch meeting. Staff take turns presenting a summary of a current journal article or pertinent research in the field on the third Tuesday of every month.

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

Janice A. Cichowlas

Cc: Lori G. Levin  
Hank Anthony  
R&A Supervisory Staff

**TABLE 1. Information Request Handling Statistics**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>SECOND QUARTER</b> 10/1- 12/31/2004	<b>THIRD QUARTER</b> 1/1-3/31/2005	<b>FOURTH QUARTER</b> 4/1- 6/30/2005	<b>FIRST QUARTER</b> 7/1- 9/30/2005	<b>FISCAL YEAR TO DATE</b>
<b>Information requests handled:</b>	259	351	246	270	1,126
<b>Monthly average number of requests:</b>	86	117	82	90	94
<b>Pct of requests completed within two days:</b>	77%	74%	91%	83%	81%
<b>Geographic Origin of requesters:</b>					
Chicago metropolitan area	20%	15%	22%	26%	21%
Other region of Illinois	36%	51%	38%	40%	41%
U.S. other than Illinois	23%	14%	18%	17%	18%
Outside the U.S.	3%	2%	2%	<1%	2%
Unknown	18%	17%	20%	17%	18%
<b>Type of requester:</b>					
Government agency	32%	38%	28%	34%	33%
Private citizen	26%	25%	38%	36%	31%
Private agency	18%	15%	13%	16%	15%
Researcher	10%	6%	11%	9%	9%
Student	7%	9%	6%	3%	6%
Media	4%	4%	4%	1%	3%
Legislators	1%	-	-	-	<1%
Inmates	2%	3%	<1%	1%	2%
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Method of request:</b>					
Telephone/fax	39%	38%	43%	44%	41%
Mail	3%	5%	2%	2%	3%
Email/Internet	37%	37%	38%	37%	37%
In-person	10%	-	1%	2%	4%
ICJIA Web site	11%	20%	15%	15%	15%
<b>Publications disseminated:</b>					
Mailed in response to requests	28,541	16,909	79,669	18,633	143,752
Downloaded from Web Site	96,593	76,751	58,323	70,719	302,386
Total	125,134	93,660	137,992	89,352	446,138

**TABLE 2. Web Site Traffic Report**

	<b>SECOND QUARTER</b> 10/1-12/31/2004	<b>THIRD QUARTER</b> 1/1-3/31/2005	<b>FOURTH QUARTER</b> 4/1-6/30/2005	<b>FIRST QUARTER</b> 7/1-9/30/2005	<b>YEAR TO DATE</b>
<b>Hits for Home Page</b>	1,866,210	2,020,352	1,955,186	2,038,277	7,880,025
<b>Number of User Sessions</b>	144,356	170,187	169,220	185,454	669,217
<b>Average Hits Per Day</b>	20,299	22,459	21,497	22,171	21,607
<b>Average User Sessions Per Day</b>	1,569	1,892	1,860	2,018	1,835
<b>Average Use Session Length</b> (minutes)	18	15	15	18	17
<b>Unique Visitors</b>	65,762	76,751	74,028	77,947	294,488
<b>Visitors Who Visited Once</b>	54,892	63,536	61,898	65,644	245,970
<b>Visitors Who Visited More Than Once</b>	10,870	13,215	12,130	12,303	48,518
<b>Persons Registered for CJ Dispatch</b> (Email notification of updates)	1720	1,774	1,809	1,887	1,887

**TABLE 3. FSGU Support Requested: Statistics**

Activities Requested by Federal and State Grants Unit	PROGRAM	SECOND QUARTER 10/1-12/31/2004			THIRD QUARTER 1/1-3/31/2005			FOURTH QUARTER 4/1-6/30/2005			FIRST QUARTER 7/1-9/30/2005			YEARTO DATE		
		REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING	REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING	REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING	REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING	REQUESTED	COMPLETED	PENDING
<b>PROGRAM NARRATIVE REVIEW</b>	ADAA	6	6	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	6	6	0	14	14	0
	JAIBG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	VOCA/VAWA	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	4	4	0
	MVTPC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>DATA REPORT DEVELOPMENT</b>	ADAA	11	11	0	3	3	0	1	1	0	6	6	0	21	21	0
	JAIBG	31	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	31	31	0
	VOCA/VAWA	3	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	4	4	0
	MVTPC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>DATA REPORT ENTRY (Number of projects for which monthly/quarterly data reports were computerized)</b>	ADAA	79	79	0	79	79	0	79	79	0	79	79	0	316	316	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
	<b>Total</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>PROJECT STATUS REPORT (Number of assessments completed)</b>	ADAA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	JAIBG	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	VOCA/VAWA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-
	MVTPC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>PROGRAM PROFILE (Number of profiles)</b>	ADAA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	JAIBG	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
	VOCA/VAWA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	MVTPC	1	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	3	3	-
	Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>



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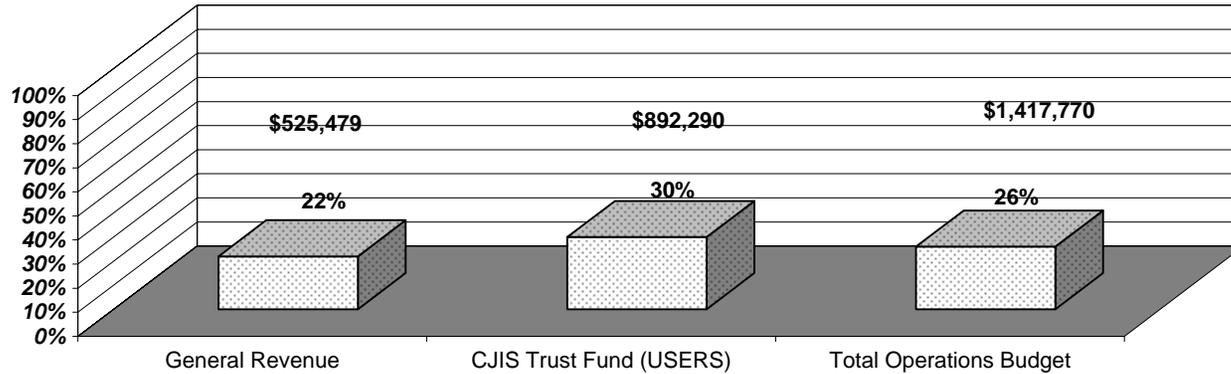
# Memorandum

**To:** Authority Members  
**From:** Hank Anthony  
**Date:** November 21, 2005  
**Re:** Office of Administrative Services (OAS) Report

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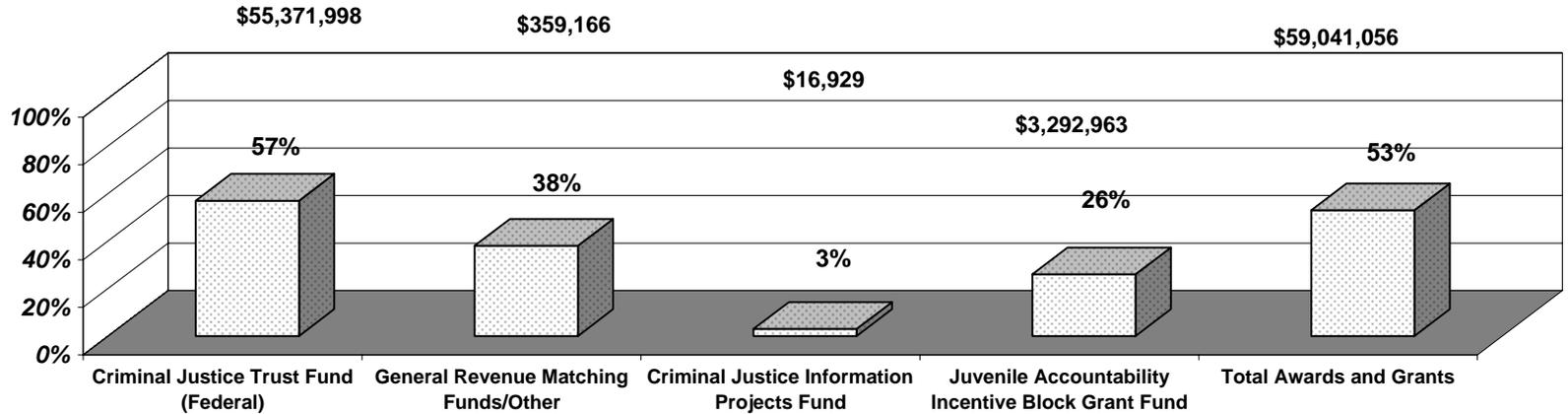
The Office of Administrative Services continues to support the day-to-day operations of the Authority with: meeting/conference support (in and out of Authority space), travel arrangements (in-state and out-of-state travel), mail and supply operations, receptionist duties, security monitoring, vehicle 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.

**Exhibit #1 - Operations**  
**Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority**  
**FY 2006 Expenditures/Obligations**  
**July 1, 2005 - October 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	\$1,358,600	\$0	\$336,921	\$1,021,679	\$850,700	\$0	\$218,175	\$632,525	\$2,209,300	\$0	\$555,096	\$1,654,204
Retirement - State Pick-Up	\$9,100	\$0	\$1,764	\$7,336	\$16,800	\$0	\$3,703	\$13,097	\$25,900	\$0	\$5,467	\$20,433
Retirement	\$105,800	\$0	\$26,276	\$79,524	\$66,300	\$0	\$17,006	\$49,294	\$172,100	\$0	\$43,283	\$128,817
FICA	\$104,000	\$0	\$25,090	\$78,910	\$65,100	\$0	\$15,971	\$49,129	\$169,100	\$0	\$41,061	\$128,039
Group Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$220,800	\$0	\$54,238	\$166,562	\$220,800	\$0	\$54,238	\$166,562
Contractual	\$488,200	\$0	\$57,598	\$430,602	\$189,200	\$0	\$4,036	\$185,164	\$677,400	\$0	\$61,634	\$615,766
Travel	\$16,300	\$0	\$1,924	\$14,376	\$12,600	\$0	\$340	\$12,260	\$28,900	\$0	\$2,264	\$26,636
Commodities	\$12,500	\$0	\$4,222	\$8,279	\$2,600	\$0	\$0	\$2,600	\$15,100	\$0	\$4,222	\$10,879
Printing	\$16,000	\$0	\$1,868	\$14,132	\$4,000	\$0	\$0	\$4,000	\$20,000	\$0	\$1,868	\$18,132
Equipment	\$5,900	\$0	\$2,473	\$3,427	\$4,500	\$0	\$0	\$4,500	\$10,400	\$0	\$2,473	\$7,927
EDP	\$208,100	\$0	\$51,279	\$156,821	\$1,317,500	\$0	\$533,479	\$784,021	\$1,525,600	\$0	\$584,758	\$940,842
Telecommunications	\$45,500	\$0	\$12,646	\$32,854	\$241,000	\$0	\$44,178	\$196,822	\$286,500	\$0	\$56,824	\$229,676
Operation of Auto	\$11,000	\$0	\$3,419	\$7,581	\$7,400	\$0	\$1,164	\$6,236	\$18,400	\$0	\$4,583	\$13,817
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,381,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$525,479</b>	<b>\$1,855,521</b>	<b>\$2,998,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$892,290</b>	<b>\$2,106,210</b>	<b>\$5,379,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,417,770</b>	<b>\$3,961,730</b>
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):			22%	78%			30%	70%			26%	74%

**Exhibit #2 - Awards & Grants**  
**Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority**  
**FY 2006 Expenditures/Obligations**  
 July 1, 2005 - October 31, 2005

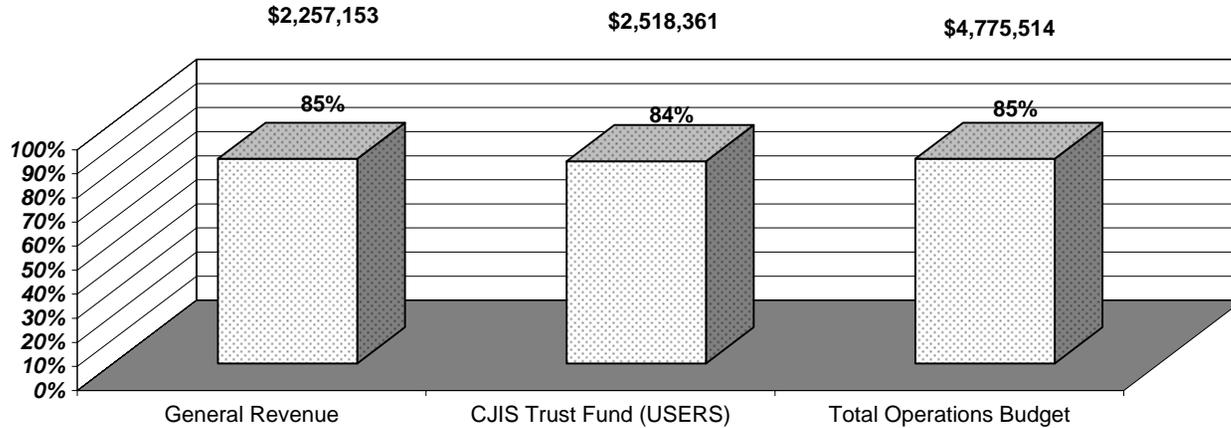


	Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)			General Revenue Matching Funds/Other				Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund		
	Appropriation	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance
Federal Assistance Support	\$5,600,000	\$1,371,695	\$4,228,305	\$786,800	\$0	\$359,166	\$427,634			
State Agencies	\$12,100,000	\$10,148,667	\$1,951,333	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.	\$37,579,300	\$23,390,566	\$14,188,734							
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$1,700,000	\$469,092	\$1,230,908	\$150,000		\$0	\$150,000	\$500,000	\$16,929	\$483,071
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives	\$40,000,000	\$19,991,978	\$20,008,022				\$0			
SANE Program							\$0			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant										
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$96,979,300</b>	<b>\$55,371,998</b>	<b>\$41,607,302</b>	<b>\$936,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$359,166</b>	<b>\$577,634</b>	<b>\$500,000</b>	<b>\$16,929</b>	<b>\$483,071</b>
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		57%	43%			38%	62%		3%	97%
	<b>Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund - (Federal)</b>			<b>Total</b>						
	Appropriation	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance			
Federal Assistance Support				\$6,386,800	\$0	\$1,730,861	\$4,655,939			
State Agencies				\$12,100,000	\$0	\$10,148,667	\$1,951,333			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.				\$37,579,300		\$23,390,566	\$14,188,734			
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$0			\$2,350,000		\$486,021	\$1,863,979			
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives				\$40,000,000		\$19,991,978	\$20,008,022			
SANE Program				\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant	\$12,540,000	\$3,292,963	\$9,247,037	\$12,540,000		\$3,292,963	\$9,247,037			
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,540,000</b>	<b>\$3,292,963</b>	<b>\$9,247,037</b>	<b>\$110,956,100</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$59,041,056</b>	<b>\$51,915,045</b>			
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		26%	74%			53%	47%			

General Revenue	22%
CJIS Trust Fund (USERS)	30%
Total Operations Budget	26%

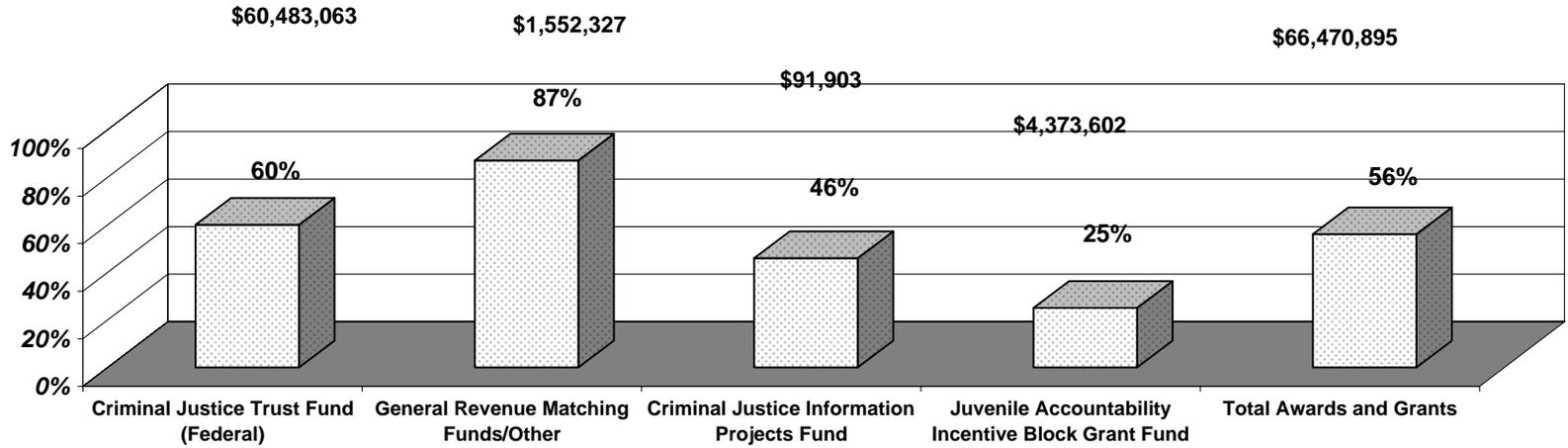
Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)	57%
General Revenue Matching Funds/Other	38%
Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund	3%
Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund	26%
Total Awards and Grants	53%

**Exhibit #1 - Operations**  
**Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority**  
**FY 2005 Expenditures/Obligations**  
 July 1, 2004 - September 29, 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	\$4,759	\$11,541	\$14,151	\$0	\$2,442	\$11,709	\$30,451	\$0	\$7,201	\$23,250
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	\$197,645	\$65,455	\$1,177,450	\$0	\$1,129,081	\$48,369	\$1,440,550	\$0	\$1,326,726	\$113,824
Telecommunications	\$82,200	\$0	\$49,956	\$32,244	\$241,000	\$0	\$225,509	\$15,491	\$323,200	\$0	\$275,464	\$47,736
Operation of Auto	\$6,700	\$0	\$5,268	\$1,432	\$7,400	\$0	\$2,350	\$5,050	\$14,100	\$0	\$7,618	\$6,482
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,641,150</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,257,153</b>	<b>\$383,997</b>	<b>\$3,007,571</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,518,361</b>	<b>\$489,210</b>	<b>\$5,648,721</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$4,775,514</b>	<b>\$873,207</b>
% 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	\$3,574,382	\$2,025,618	\$796,800	\$0	\$725,539	\$71,262			
State Agencies	\$13,359,600	\$8,984,415	\$4,375,185	\$960,000	\$0	\$796,788	\$163,212			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.	\$39,579,300	\$34,830,487	\$4,748,813							
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$1,700,000	\$197,756	\$1,502,244	\$0				\$200,000	\$91,903	\$108,097
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives	\$40,000,000	\$12,896,023	\$27,103,977							
SANE Program							\$0			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant										
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$100,238,900</b>	<b>\$60,483,063</b>	<b>\$39,755,837</b>	<b>\$1,756,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,522,327</b>	<b>\$234,473</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>	<b>\$91,903</b>	<b>\$108,097</b>
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		60%	40%			87%	13%		46%	54%
	<b>Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund - (Federal)</b>			<b>Total</b>						
	Appropriation	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance	Appropriation	Reserve	Expenditures/Obligations	Balance			
Federal Assistance Support				\$6,396,800	\$0	\$4,299,921	\$2,096,879			
State Agencies				\$14,319,600	\$0	\$9,781,204	\$4,538,396			
Locals/Non-Profit Orgs.				\$39,579,300		\$34,830,487	\$4,748,813			
Misc. Awards/Grants	\$0			\$1,700,000		\$289,659	\$1,610,341			
Fed. Crime Bill Initiatives				\$40,000,000		\$12,896,023	\$27,103,977			
SANE Program				\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0			
Juvenile Accountability Block Grant	\$17,540,000	\$4,373,602	\$13,166,398	\$17,540,000		\$4,373,602	\$13,166,398			
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,540,000</b>	<b>\$4,373,602</b>	<b>\$13,166,398</b>	<b>\$119,535,700</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$66,470,895</b>	<b>\$53,264,806</b>			
% of Appropriation (less Reserve):		25%	75%			56%	45%			

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

Criminal Justice Trust Fund (Federal)	60%
General Revenue Matching Funds/Other	87%
Criminal Justice Information Projects Fund	46%
Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant Fund	25%
Total Awards and Grants	56%



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# Memorandum

**To:** Authority Members  
**From:** Rose Rossi, Associate Director, Information Systems Unit  
**Date:** November 21, 2005  
**Re:** Information Systems Unit Activities

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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. Two new user trainings were conducted in Chicago and Springfield for child advocacy centers on September 27, 2005 and October 5, 2005, respectively. In addition, two InfoNet User Group meetings were convened in Bloomington during the report period. During each of the meetings, members discussed and finalized system modifications that were implemented October 25, 2005.

The InfoNet project manager, Karen Griffiths, resigned from the Authority in September 2005. An R&A staff member, Jennifer Hiselman, was assigned to assume InfoNet management responsibilities until a permanent replacement is hired. The interim InfoNet project manager, Jennifer Hiselman, will be participating in a panel on November 29, 2005 at the Southern Region Domestic Violence Court Systems conference in Mt. Vernon, IL, that focuses on how data can be used to work toward improving system response to domestic violence. 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.

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

At the end of October, a group of the ALERTS, ALECS and PIMS Advisory Board members lobbied in Springfield for the passing of SB2137 during this fall veto session. The purpose of the bill was to transfer ALERTS, ALECS and PIMS systems to a newly created organization called the Illinois Public Safety Agency Network (IPSAN). Time did not allow for the passing of the bill so SB2137 will be put back on the Senate floor in January. We have been informed that the Governor has agreed not to oppose the bill or the transfer of these systems and the proper support has been established in the Senate. 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 continues to prepare for the possible departure of these systems.

The IS Unit continues to migrate PIMS agencies from an HP3000 mainframe platform to a SQL dot net platform.

### **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.

Because of the proliferation of independent Internet access by many police departments throughout our customer base we are in the planning stages of securing PIMS and ALECS systems from the police departments. This will provide secure access to the port level for client stations requiring access.

In addition, we are ordering an additional T1 circuit to the Internet for clients wishing to access ALECS via the Internet. This will have secure access only. Access will be via secure connection with initial testing done via IPSEC VPN.

Operations will be installing clustering and load balancing for PIMS Net network servers. Server cluster is a group of independent servers running Cluster service and working collectively as a single system. Server clusters provide high-availability, scalability, high-performance, and manageability for resources and applications by grouping multiple servers running Windows® 2003 Advanced Server.

Installed 3 new servers CHRI-Audit, PIMS Net and SQL server for the Authority.

Also, 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.

### **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 647 calls for service from August 18, 2005 through November 15, 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.

### **Illinois Integrated Justice Information System (IJIS) Project Update**

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

- The IJIS Executive Committee met on September 8th. After taking into account staff resources, the committee determined that the project would benefit from concentrating on the completion of the privacy policy. Once completed and adopted, project efforts may be refocused on the development of a tactical plan.
- The state hiring procedures to fill the vacancies of project manager and one full time staff position are underway.
- The Implementation Board is currently scheduled to meet on November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2005 at the Authority offices. The meeting materials are available on the IJIS website.
- In September, IJIS staff also completed the report of a pilot study that compared the official criminal history records of six subjects with their unofficial records obtained from commercial providers. That report, entitled Comparison of official and unofficial sources of criminal history record information, is available on the IJIS website.

- The Privacy Policy Subcommittee met on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2005. The subcommittee has made significant progress with its development of the IJIS Privacy Policy. Specifically, the provisions that guide the sharing of information about suspects, arrestees, convicted persons, and victims were developed and are being reviewed for their anticipated adoption.
- Furthermore, the Illinois State Police (ISP) requested that the Privacy Policy Subcommittee help develop a privacy policy for the Illinois Citizen and Law Enforcement Analysis and Reporting (I-CLEAR) system. In furtherance of this goal, ISP has also dedicated the services of Master Sergeant Kathleen deGrasse to assist with the development of the privacy policy. This is a significant development that allows the subcommittee to provide meaningful guidance to a groundbreaking system that will enhance the sharing of justice information in Illinois.



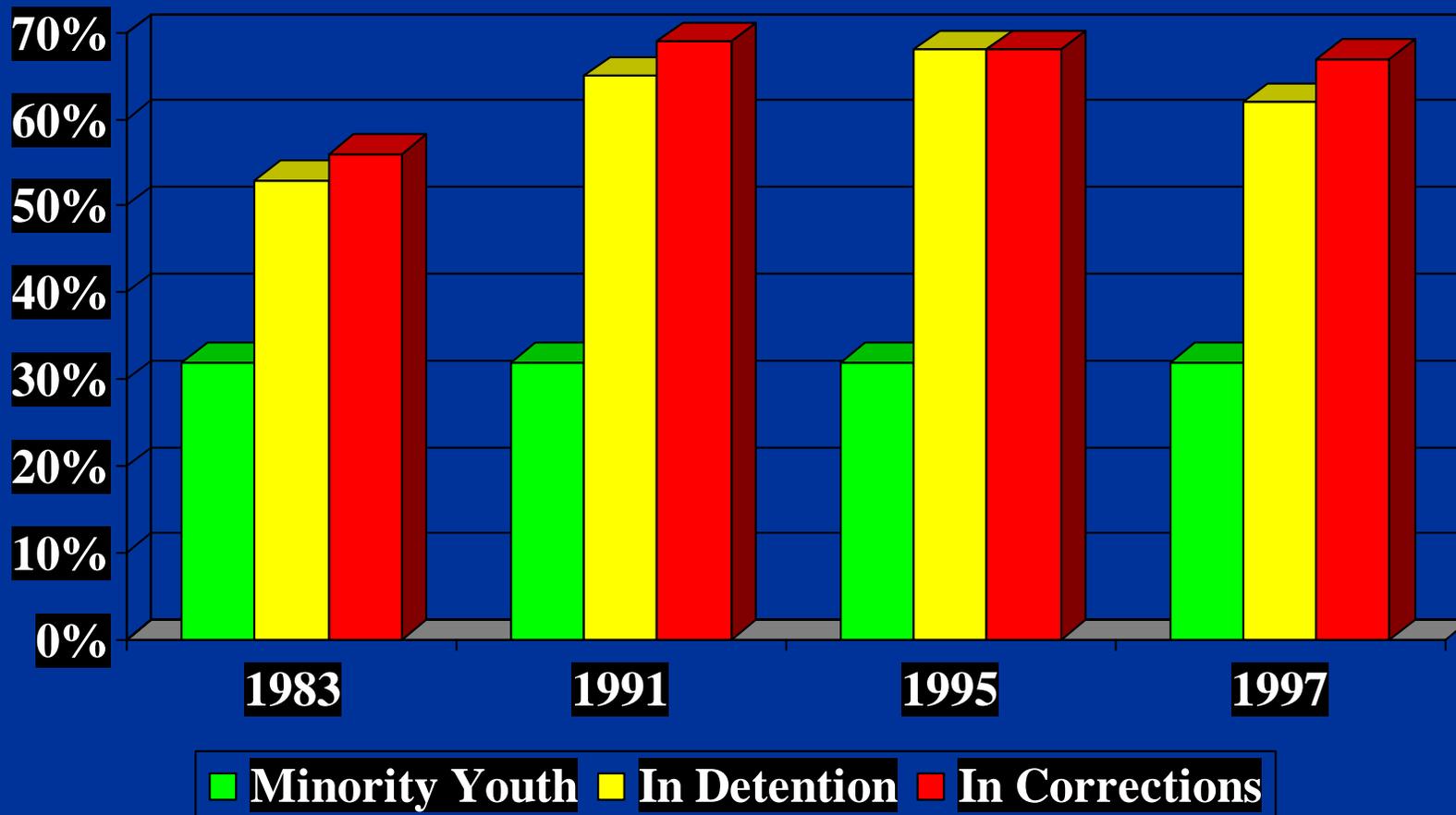
# Assessing Disproportionate Minority Contact with Illinois' Juvenile Justice System

Presentation to the Illinois Criminal Justice  
Information Authority Board

September 9, 2005

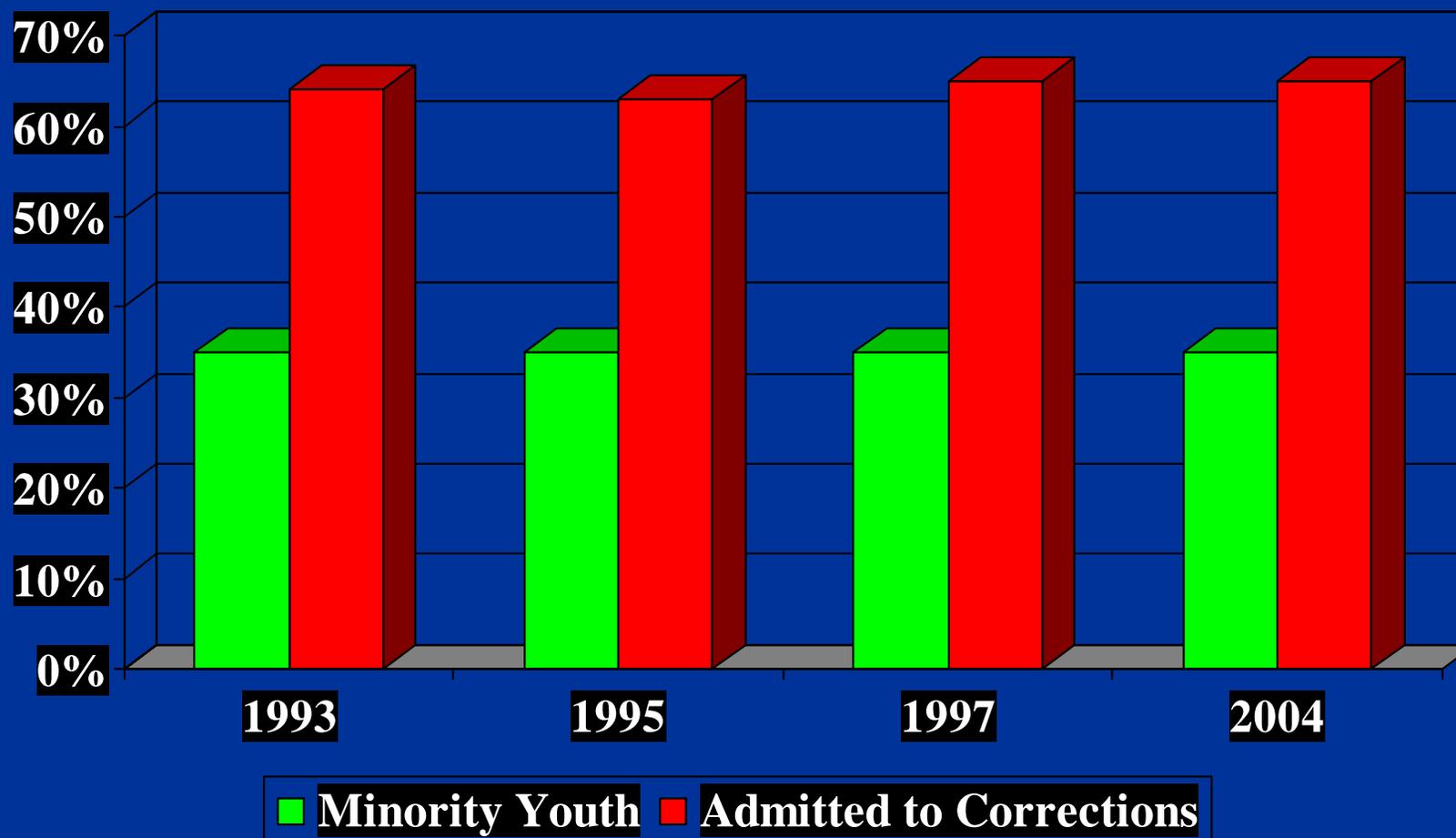


# DMC Nationally





# DMC in Illinois



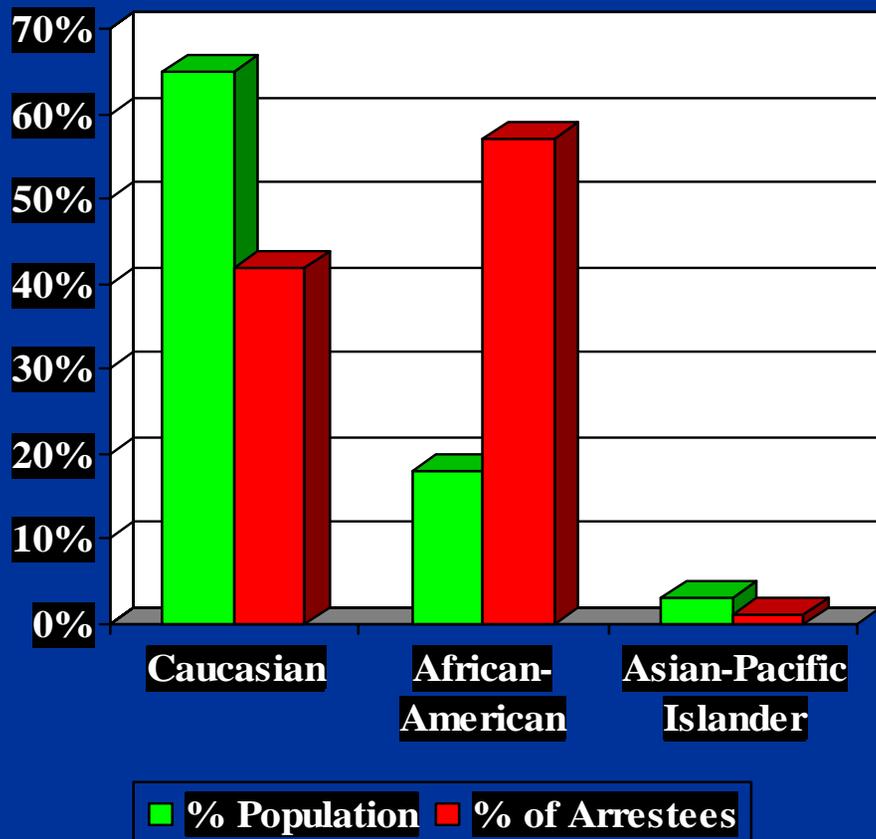


## How is DMC measured?

- **Representation Index (RI)**: The percentage of a racial/ethnic group at a “decision point” compared to the percentage of the racial/ethnic in the general population
- **Disproportionate Representation Index (DRI)**: The percentage of a racial/ethnic group at a “decision point” compared to the percentage of the same racial/ethnic group at the previous decision point.
- **Relative Rate Index (RRI)**: The rate at which youth of a specific racial/ethnic group appear at a “decision point” compared to the rate at which White youth appear at the same decision point



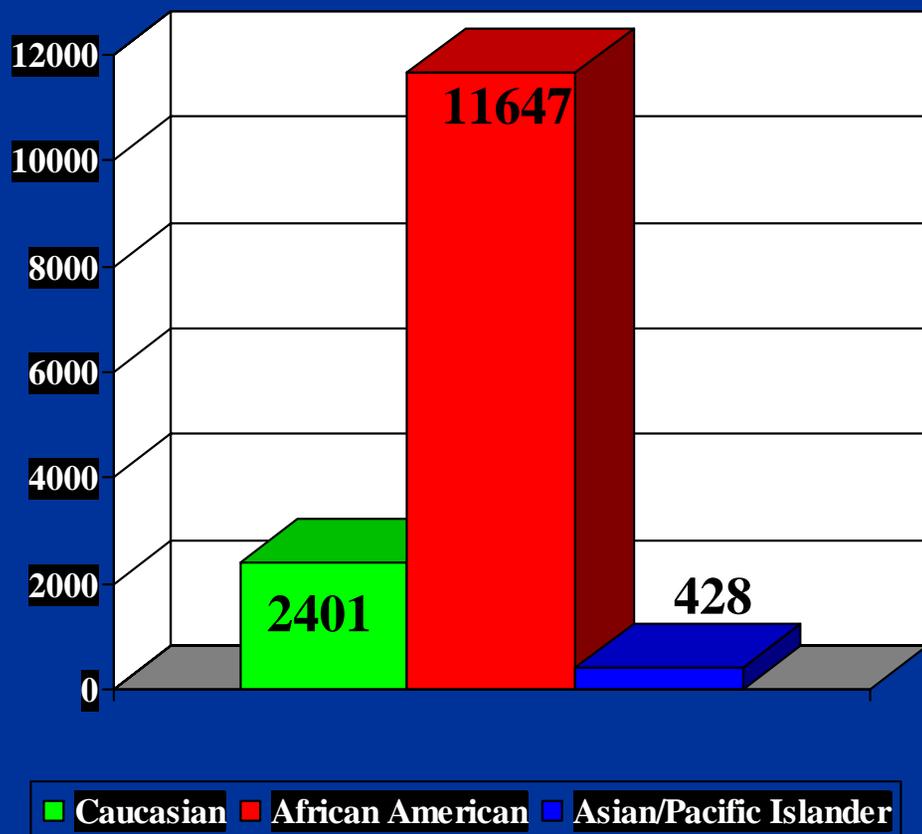
# DMC at the Point of Arrest in 2003 (The RI)



- 65% of the population of youth 10-16 in IL are Caucasian.
- 42% of youth 10-16 arrested in IL are Caucasian.
- 18% of the population of youth 10-16 in IL are African-American.
- 57% of youth 10-16 arrested in IL are African-American.



# DMC at the Point of Arrest in 2003 (The RRI)



- African-American juveniles in Illinois are arrested at nearly 5 times the rate at which Caucasian youth are arrested.

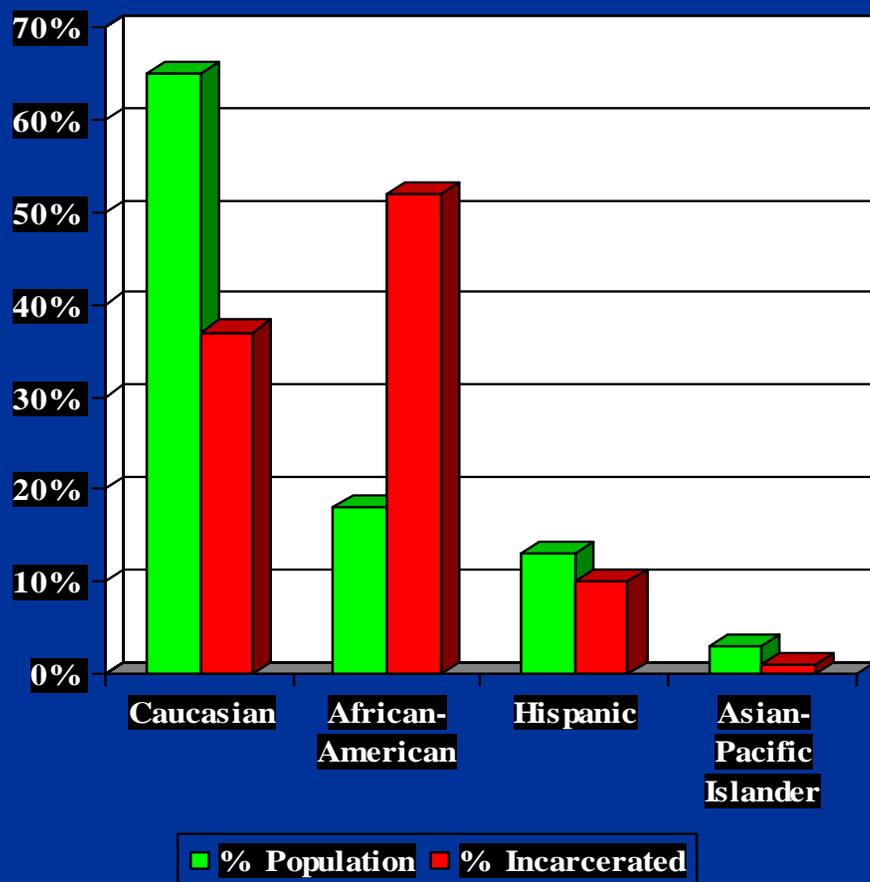


# DMC at point of arrest in 2003: County Level Detail

	RI A-A	RRI A-A	RI A-PI	RRI A-PI
# of Counties with <b>Population &gt;1%</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>28</b>
# of Counties with <b>DMC ≤ 1.00</b>	7	8	28	28
# of Counties with <b>DMC = 1.01-2.0</b>	2	1	0	0
# of Counties with <b>DMC = 2.01-5.0</b>	19	12	0	0
# of Counties with <b>DMC &gt; 5.01</b>	14	21	0	0



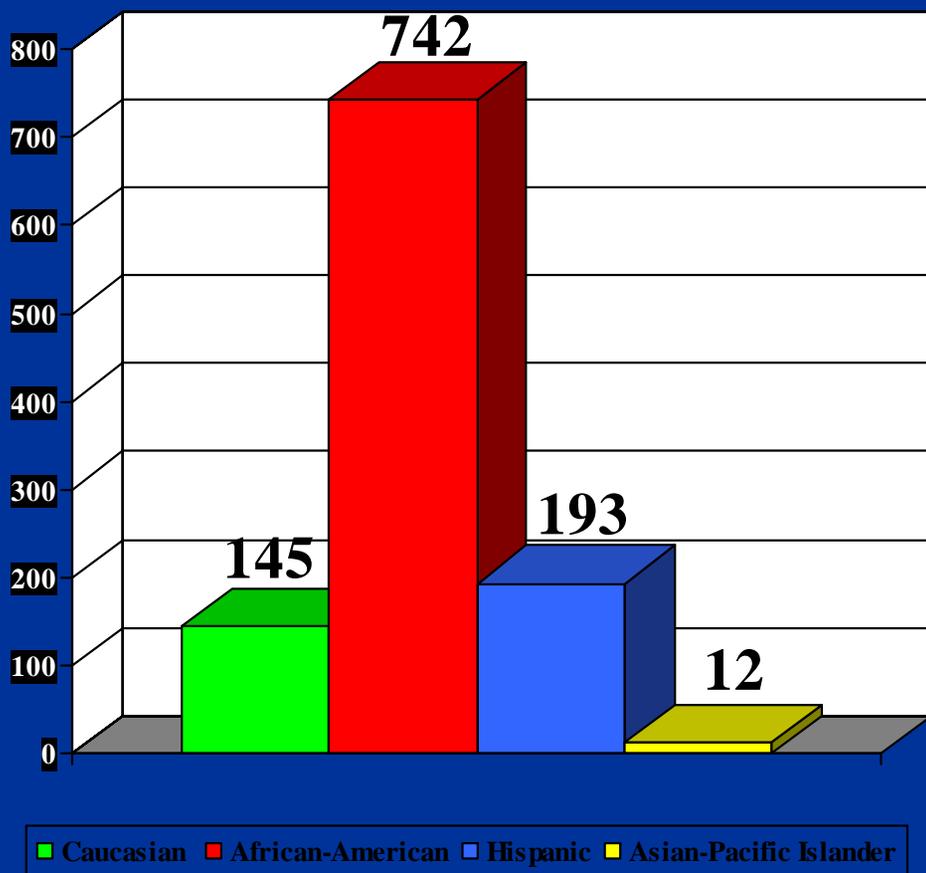
# DMC at IDOC Commitment Stage in 2003 (The RI)



- 65% of youth 13-16 in IL are Caucasian.
- 37% of incarcerated youth in IL are Caucasian.
- 18% of youth 13-16 in IL are African-American.
- 52% of incarcerated youth in IL are African-American.
- 13% of youth 13-16 in IL are Hispanic.
- 10% of incarcerated youth in IL are Hispanic



# DMC at IDOC Commitment Stage in 2003 (The RRI)



- African-American juveniles in Illinois are committed to IDOC at more than 5 times the rate at which Caucasian youth are committed to IDOC.
- Hispanic juveniles in Illinois are committed to IDOC at 1.33 times the rate at which Caucasian youth are committed to IDOC.



# DMC at IDOC Commitment Stage in 2003: County Level Detail

	RI A-A	RRI A-A	RI Hisp.	RRI Hisp.	RI A-PI	RRI A-PI
# of Counties with <b>Population &gt;1%</b>	42	42	57	57	31	31
# of Counties with <b>DMC ≤ 1.00</b>	10	10	43	42	30	29
# of Counties with <b>DMC = 1.01-2.0</b>	2	0	6	4	1	0
# of Counties with <b>DMC = 2.01-5.0</b>	12	3	5	3	0	2
# of Counties with <b>DMC &gt; 5.01</b>	18	27	3	8	0	0



## Conclusions

- In most counties in Illinois where there is a significant population of African-American youth, they are disproportionately arrested and incarcerated.
- The limitations of juvenile justice data in Illinois do not allow for a full assessment of DMC in Illinois' Juvenile Justice system
- These data assess DMC at the arrest and IDOC stage, but tells us nothing about why it occurs.