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As requested by 2016-521-E-hereby is the Annual Report for Jax Journey Oversight Committee

Current board members: Chairman WC Gentry; Vice Chairman Rory Diamond; Ricky Bedoya; April Green; Terrence Harvey; Andrea Sharpe; Tracy Tousey; Scott Wiley; and Paula Wright.

Current subject matter experts: Judge Suzanne Bass; Michelle Cook (JSO); Mason Davis (DCPS); Lee Hutton (State Attorney's Office); and Judge Charlie Cofer (Public Defender).

Vacancies: The Committee is fully staffed and there were no vacancies for the reporting period.

Prior year meetings: July 20, 2016; September 29, 2016; October 27, 2016; November 16, 2016; December 15, 2016; January 26, 2016; February 23, 2017; March 30, 2017; April 27, 2017; May 24, 2017; and June 12, 2017. In August the members attended the finance committee meeting when the Jax Journey budget was being discussed. There was a quorum for every meeting.

Board prior year activities:

- The progress of all programs each being performance based/unit of service contracts.
- Subcommittees for Juvenile Justice met on a regular basis and reported to the overall committee. They recommended funding: Juvenile Drug Court, Aftercare, Evening Reporting Center, Turning Point: Rethinking Violence and Expungement of Juvenile records.
- The Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention awarded a 2 year \$1,000,000 Safe and Thriving Communities grant. The grants purpose is to explore the Juvenile Justice landscape and conduct a gaps analysis with a road map for programming moving forward.

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- NLP Logix the analytics partner provided regular updates on progress of the programs, ensure they are meeting stated outcomes and track recidivism. The Department of Juvenile Justice agreed to share their data. For the first time we can determine where Juvenile Crime is the most prevalent in Duval County.
- UNF/FIE was hired to work with the summer camp programs with a literacy focus. Lessons learned were greater oversight is needed to ensure that programs are offered with fidelity.
- After School RFP was developed by working with a design team. The partnership with the Duval County Public Schools with a focus on literacy was developed.
- Various programs reported as requested at monthly meetings.
- Sheriff Mike Williams asked the JJOC to review and administer the fines & forfeitures process-5 agencies with budgets less than \$100,000 were awarded grants \$10,000 or less.
- As the list of programs contracted increased the programs were divided into five categories-Special Projects; Teen Programs; Juvenile Justice Intervention Programs; Ex-offender employment programs; and Workforce Development programs for 16-24 year olds not in school and not working. JJOC members have divided the programs to become experts in the various contracts.
- In March the JJOC voted to discontinue the Alternative to Out of School Suspension program with the Duval County Public Schools as of May 31, 2016. The number of students continued to decline.
- Summer Jobs program partnered with CareerSource with funding of \$500,000 and AT&T for \$50,000. The increase allows the program to place 350 youth in career pathway summer job experiences. The program was expanded beyond the City of Jacksonville.
- The May JJOC meeting was held at the Legends Center. The intent moving forward is for quarterly the meetings will be held in the neighborhoods.

Effectiveness of the board/commission:

- The JJOC is a committee that meets regularly, is very engaged in the programs and understands the analytics. The Committee is effective in its work.

Submitted by:

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