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**NEVADA LOCAL JUSTICE REINVESTMENT
COORDINATING COUNCIL**

MINUTES DRAFT

Date and Time: March 9, 2022

Location: VIRTUAL ONLY

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeff Clark
Demar Dahl
Ken Gray
McKinzie Hilton
Tim Hipp
Brenda Ingram
Erik Levin
Julia Murray
Dorothy Rowley
Elliot Sattler
Tick Segerblom
Clinton Zens
Denni Byrd -- Vice Chair
Garrit Pruyt – Chair

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Art Clark
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STAFF

Executive Director Victoria Gonzalez
Monica Chiazza, Business Professional Trainee
Jenna Buonacorsi, Data Analyst

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair Pruyt: My name is Garrit Pruyt, and I am the Chair of the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council. We have today's date as March 9th, 2022, and I will now call this March meeting to order. I'm happy to see all of you who made it onto our meeting today and I'd also like to welcome those who are viewing online on the Department of Sentencing Policy's YouTube channel. This will be the second meeting of our 2021-2023 meeting cycle.

I will now ask Director Gonzalez to take roll.

Director Victoria Gonzalez: Thank you Chair.

(ROLL CALL IS CONDUCTED BY DIRECTOR GONZALEZ; QUORUM NOT MET.)

Director Gonzalez: Chair, we will update you as the members are added to the meeting.

2. Public Comment

Chair Pruyt: Thank you. This will now take us to agenda item two, which is our first period of public comment. There are two periods of public comment associated with each meeting we conduct. One at the beginning and one at the conclusion of the meeting. Members of the public have two options for submitting public comment. First, members of the public may do so in writing by emailing the Department of Sentencing Policy at SentencingPolicy@ndsp.nv.gov. Public comment received in writing will be provided to the Commission and be included by reference in the minutes of the meeting

Members of the public who wish to testify may do so by telephone. Due to time constraints, public comment will be limited to two minutes per person. Any member of the public that exceeds the two-minute limit may submit your additional comments in writing to the Department of Sentencing Policy.

At this time, I will ask staff to manage and direct those who wish to testify by telephone.

Ms. Lisa Arellano: Thank you, Chair. Members of the public who would like to testify by phone, press star nine to raise your hand. When it is your turn to speak, please speak slowly and spell your first and last name.

Chair, we have no callers who wish to testify.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council held on September 27, 2021

Chair Pruyt: All right. This moves us quickly then to item number three.

Agenda item number three. As all of you should have been provided copies of the minutes from the September 27, 2021, meeting. At this time, I would like to solicit any edits, comments, or corrections.

I don't know that we have a quorum to move for our vote, but if anyone has any edits, comments, or corrections we can address that now as well.

I'm not seeing any. All right, just to confirm with Director Gonzalez, since we don't have a quorum, then we should pass on our vote portion.

Director Gonzalez: Correct. As the meeting goes on, and more members attend the meeting, we can go back and revisit this agenda item.

Chair Pruyt: All right, fantastic.

4. Discussion of Outcomes of the First Inventory of Information Completed by Members of the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council

Chair Pruyt: This moves us to agenda item number four. This is going to be the Discussion of the outcomes of the first inventory that everyone here helped to provide. At our September 27th meeting, we were all presented with an inventory to assess the data in each county and the needs that may exist. Staff went on to provide this inventory to each member of the Council with instructions for each member to collect the information from your respective counties, complete the inventory, and return it. First, I want to thank everyone who completed the inventory as requested. We got a great response on all of those, and it's actually helped us a lot in some other work that has been conducted, we'll get to a little later in the meeting. After we received all of those inventories, staff, myself and Vice Chair Byrd went through many of the responses that were received. I will now turn over the time to our staff to present the outcomes from those responses.

There is a slide presentation to accompany this agenda item and it's available on the website with the other meeting materials. Director Gonzalez, will you please proceed with this item.

Director Gonzalez: Thank you, Chair and thank you again members, I want to echo the Chairs comments for the information you submitted. I will go right to slide two.

Slide two echoes what the Chair said regarding the purpose and the instructions for the inventory. Again, thank you for the information you submitted. We also want to thank those of you who had to figure out alternative ways to complete the inventory. The fillable PDF we created was not as versatile as we hoped, and we appreciate everyone who adjusted.

The information presented in the slides is in aggregated form. At the pleasure of the Chair, we are happy to provide additional information regarding everyone's responses as many of you took the time to provide additional notes. We also created a list of all the points of contact that you each provided and would also be happy to provide that to the members of the Council at the pleasure of the Chair and/or upon request.

On slide three, you can see which responses we received and which responses we never received. We have two council members from Clark County and two council members from Washoe County. For the purpose of distinguishing between the two and identifying the information that was submitted, there is a 1 and 2 next to each county. They are numbered based on the last name of the Council member in alphabetical order. This means Clark (1) represents Julia Murray and Clark (2) represents Tick Segerblom. And Washoe (1) represents Jeff Clark and Washoe (2) represents Elliot Sattler.

Slide four shows the aggregation of the responses we received. The total possible responses we could have received were 19, one from each member of the Council.

Jail population data represents the response to the question asked, if jail data was available in your county and if so, was there data available for the last five years. Most of the counties who submitted responses indicated that jail data is available and is available for the last five years.

The first question regarding mental health asked if there are mental health services, programs, or treatment available for individuals involved in the criminal justice system in your county. Of the responses we received, you can see that most counties have such treatment programs available. The one county indicated here where we received a "no" in response to this question represents Esmeralda County.

The second question related to mental health asked if such needs were being met in your county. As you can see here, and is probably no surprise, generally speaking these needs are not being met. I will list these counties in a couple of slides.

The inventory also included a question about which counties have a department of alternative sentencing or similar entity. Of the responses we received, four responses indicated yes and those were Carson City, Churchill, and both council members from Washoe. These are listed on slide eight.

The last question was submitted to the Council after our September meeting. The question asked if your county had statistics for drug endangered children. We did receive other responses asking for a definition and other follow-up information but of the affirmative answers submitted, this is what we received. Our findings indicate here that we will have further discussion to provide additional information to assist in answering this question.

Slide five represents the responses we received to the first question on the inventory about the general response to AB 236. Of those who answered, you can see the general response is mixed.

Slide six specifically lists those counties who responded that they have jail data, including data from the last five years.

Slide seven provides additional information regarding the responses we received in response to the mental health questions. It's helpful to compare where there are services available, however, then comparing that to the evaluation on whether those needs are being met as addressed by the counties who responded to this question in such a way.

As I mentioned earlier, slide eight lists those counties that responded to having a department of alternative sentencing or similar entity.

This slide has the disaggregated list of responses we received. Those marked in yellow were responses not received.

I will now turn the time back to the Chair for further discussion and questions.

Chair Pruyt: Thank you, Victoria. Do we have any questions for the Director regarding the presentation that was just set before you? Or any discussion of the same?

Vice Chair Byrd: Victoria, could you go back to the slide that showed that mental health was offered but mental health needs weren't being met. I find that interesting when I looked at the comparison of counties.

Director Gonzalez: Of course. Chair I'll note, it looks like Mr. Hipp has joined the meeting.

This slide Vice Chair Byrd?

Vice Chair Byrd: Yes, because I'm just interested so like Esmeralda said that they didn't respond to having services but says, okay, never mind, I misread it, sorry. I was just comparing the crossover.

Director Gonzales: Yes, I thought this comparison was interesting as well to note that where at least there might be something available. Whether or not needs are being met, I think is an important question for this body. When we get to those requests for, maybe grants that could provide the counties, but I was curious by this comparison as well. We did receive additional information to discuss what types of services were available and what I'll be looking forward to is more discussion from this public body as where else those gaps could be met to help meet those needs.

Vice Chair Byrd: I think the other part that's interesting just, I'll speak on behalf of my own county, is that those services are available in custody but how do you access them, I think that's been an interesting discussion for us. Do people know they are available? Anyway, thank you for bringing it back up.

Director Gonzalez: Of course. I think that's a great distinction too, we didn't ask that in the inventory about access to those services and so I appreciate that note as well.

Chair Pruyt: Are there any additional comments, questions, or concerns?

Dorothy Rowley: I did have a question, just to make sure you've gotten the information with regards to the endangered children portion. I think I forwarded some contact information from DCFS, and they were going to do a collection. Did that get through and followed up with?

Director Gonzalez: We have not followed up yet, but we did get that information. Thank you so much.

Dorothy Rowley? Perfect, thanks

Tick Segerblom: Well, I had a question, what are you going to do with this information?

Director Gonzalez: Chair, would you like me to answer that?

Chair Pruyt: Yes, please do.

Director Gonzalez: All right, that's a fantastic question, thank you. What we'll talk about, in the agenda item where we talk about the appropriation is one of the purposes we're going to use for this is a request for appropriation for grants for this Coordinating Council. One of the primary mandates of this Coordinating Council is to manage grants to support counties in providing programs and treatment to help reduce recidivism. This Coordinating Council was born out of AB 236 and one of the ways to help support and reduce recidivism at the local level was by creating this Council and then giving you the authority to administer grants. What didn't happen when AB 236 was enacted was any upfront appropriation or immediate funding of that pot of money for the grants and so by collecting this information we're building the record to go back, when we request our budget, to then ask for some money that we can go back and say this is the amount of money that we could identify could be used as grant monies in these counties for this purpose. We want to create the groundwork for what are your needs in each of your counties and then as we drill down further, we'll talk about in a couple of agenda items, find out what specifically are some of those needs and can we identify the amounts that could be used that would help support those and enhance those needs.

Secondly, this Coordinating Council is required to make recommendations to the Nevada Sentencing Commission. What we're looking is to support the Nevada Sentencing Commission in its efforts to make data-driven recommendations and this was our first effort and just collecting some qualitative type data where we can just get some information about what's happening in each of the counties and then use that as well to do a report back to the Commission to show them, here's what we hear in each of the counties and here are some of the needs. One of the things that we recognize and is of value with this Coordinating Council is that we have representatives from every single county. Every need is going to be different to help reduce recidivism. There's a similar entity like this that was created in Oregon and with the similar legislation to AB 236 and their entity has done something similar where they have a source of funding from the state that then they go and issue grants to counties based on what they need, and every county gets support independent for what they need for that county. This is our preliminary groundwork to not only start looking for requests for that grant funding but then also to start building recommendations to take back to the Commission. So, very preliminary information that we will drill down further and I'll add too, the information we collected for this provided us a very valuable source of contacts and information that we could inventory and put together in our report that we could go back and share with the public if this Council so desires or with the Commission and say, "Here's a resource guide for what's available in each of these counties."

Chair Pruyt: Thank you. Are there any other additional questions, concerns, or comments on this agenda item? Seeing none, we will now close this agenda item.

5. Discussion of the Second Inventory to be Completed by Each Jail

Chair Pruyt: I move to our fifth agenda item which is the Discussion of the Second Inventory to be Completed by all of the jails within each county of the State of Nevada. To continue in our efforts to promote and develop the data-driven recommendations, the staff has been working incredibly hard to continue to collect that data as it was noted by Director Gonzalez obviously the purpose of the data is to help us formulate recommendations to the Sentencing Commission and ultimately obtain services for each county. With collaboration from myself, the Vice Chair, staff, another inventory has been developed which will be submitted to each jail that will also have subsequent follow-up after it's completed. In order to accomplish this, staff will rely on the jail contact information that each of you have already provided in the past inventory. The proposed inventory was also taken out for essentially a "test drive" with a couple of jail in the State of Nevada to ensure that the questions we were asking were, first, understood, and that we would be yielding consistent data from each one. We will have a follow-up presentation on this and essentially a presentation on the "test-drive" that took place. I will now turn the time over to Jenna to present this matter.

Jenna Buonacorsi: Thank you, Chair. Hi everyone! Today I am going to be going over the second Inventory with you all. As the Chair previously said, this inventory will be distributed to the data contacts for each of your county that each of you provided in Inventory #1. If you did not provide any contact information in Inventory #1, this survey will be going directly to you.

The goal of this inventory is to provide better insight on what exact data variables each county can provide. It will also help us to determine what are some of the existing data limitations for each county. Let's walk through Inventory #2 and I will explain some of the questions in the inventory in a bit more detail with you.

With this inventory we have a few questions just for jail and then a couple preliminary questions about juvenile detention centers. You will see we have divided the answers up in to two types, basic yes or no and then an explanation. That's because some of these questions in our goal of asking them is to really get a good picture of what's going on in each county's jail systems.

You will see here we have please list all of the names for each jail in your county and then it goes down further into the specific offender management systems each county is using and furthermore to the oversight of each of those offender management systems, reporting information to NCJIS, asking about the storage of offender data, if you do store it and how are you able to pull that data if you do. The next one is about timeframes, is this data only current, what does historical data look like under each county. Then we get into some specific information about admissions and releases with bookings. With this question we added this extra please list the admission types, that's because we just want to have a good understanding of what each county uses certain terminology and see if there's overlap or what's going on between all of the different counties and how they refer to different types of admissions and releases and get a good insight on what's going there. Then it goes further into offender demographic information and then same with offense related information and then down into identification numbers and a glossary of terms. The glossary of terms relates back to those earlier points of the admissions and releases which is for us to just understand what your county categorizes these certain things as. Also, for the juvenile detention centers and further analysis there.

Each county will have about two weeks to complete this inventory, so please have them returned to Nevada Department of Sentencing Policy by the end of the day on Friday, March 25th. After each county completes their inventory, we will be conducting a follow-up "sit-along" which is where a member of the NDSP staff will either come to your jail in-person or meet virtually to get a walkthrough of your offender management system. Inventory #2 has already been sent out to two counties, Carson City and Humboldt, as a trial run. I got the privilege of completing our first "sit-along" with Sergeant Fry and Captain Mays from Carson City Jail a couple weeks ago.

What we found was that overall, Carson City Jail's biggest issue with their data is that their system, Tiburon, was not designed to store offender level data and be able to pull that data in the way it is being requested. This offender management system was originally designed in 1998 to track an offender's location, status, and time owed while an offender is in Carson City Jail's custody. It was not designed to store offender level data that can be pulled for a group of offenders at a time or in an aggregated format. Thankfully through Crystal Reports, Carson City Jail has been able to pull some data although they only have about 18 variables available. However, most of the 18 available variables are demographic related and do not cover all the requests they have received.

They are currently in the early stages of the process to replace their existing offender management system. They have started looking into a few different vendors but have not decided on which one yet. One of their big concerns with choosing a new vendor is that this new vendor will help solve their data issues. They are looking for an offender management system that will not only track the offenders while they are in their custody, but also will allow them to be able to pull current and historical offender level data for groups of offenders at a time as well as create customized aggregated data polls. It's not that Carson City Jail doesn't want to provide data or is withholding data; they just currently cannot pull most of the requested information within their existing offender management system.

We greatly look forward to seeing your responses to Inventory #2 as it will give us a greater picture of the various counties' offender management systems and paint a clearer picture of the current challenges Nevada faces with collecting jail data. This inventory will also help us tailor our future data requests to exactly what data each county has available. Thank you so much for your time. With that, I will pass it back off to the Chair.

Chair Pruyt: Thank you so much Jenna. Are there any questions based upon the presentation or comments, concerns that Jenna can help us with? Mr. Sattler.

Elliot Sattler: Could you give me that date again, the due date, you went blowing by it quickly and I had to grab my pen to write it down.

Ms. Buonacorsi: I apologize, there will be a follow-up email that will have all the due dates and the attachments for the inventory and all of the specifics that will follow shortly after this meeting. We would appreciate it back in about two weeks and a couple of days tagged on there would be Friday, the 25th of March.

Chair Pruyt: Jenna, if I may ask, how long did it take you to get responses from Carson City and Humboldt County when you sent the inventory to them?

Ms. Buonacorsi: Very quick. I think one county responded to me the next day and the other one was a couple of days after that and then I had scheduled the sit-along with Carson City within a week after that. The whole process moved pretty fast.

The goal of the inventory is to not be super time consuming for whoever is filling it out. We really just appreciate if you could take 20-30 minutes to really sit there and put as much information as you can into the inventory so that we have a greater base to move forward with some of those specific answers especially in the "please explain" section.

Demar Dahl: Did I understand you to say that somebody wants to come and do a walk-through?

Ms. Buonacorsi: Yes.

Demar Dahl: Would that be you? Who's going to do that?

Ms. Buonacorsi: It probably will not be me. I did the Carson City walk-through. It will be a member of the NDSP staff. Maybe the other Management Analyst that works here. But essentially what that was, I just got to go visit Carson City jail and they walked me through their system, and they showed me the beginning process of what intake looks like in their actual system. Where they put in the information, what paperwork they get

that gives them that information and then all the way through the end to how they would discharge that offender and how they calculate time owed and good time and work credits. Basically, just everything about their offender management system from top to bottom. I was there for a few hours in the morning one day. It was really, really helpful information.

Demar Dahl: Do you want to do that within the two-week period?

Ms. Buonacorsi: No, we just would like to get the inventories back so that we can then start scheduling the sit-along with each county. We understand that we're located in Carson City, sometimes distance can be a challenge, that's why we are open to even doing a virtual meeting of the share screen Zoom call where you can share your screen and walk us through your offender management system. Thankfully, most of it is going to virtual since we are dealing with the offender management systems and so we can do a share screen Zoom meeting and see them that way too.

Demar Dahl: Okay.

Chair Pruyt: Mr. Gray.

Ken Gray: Did Lyon County, did we get our inventory in?

Ms. Buonacorsi: For the second inventory or the first inventory?

Ken Gray: I am sorry, I may be a little bit behind here. I didn't realize there was two of them at this point.

Ms. Buonacorsi: You're not behind, you're right on time. Because I am just explaining the second one right now, we have not set it out, the second one will go out either this afternoon or tomorrow morning. You should see it in your inbox by the end of the week.

Ken Gray: Okay, did you get the first one though?

Director Gonzalez: If I may Chair. No, Mr. Gray, we did not receive it.

Ken Gray: Okay, I'll get that to you by the end of today. I've got to follow up, long story, I will get that to you today. Sorry.

Director Gonzalez: No, it's fantastic. Thank you and then the second inventory will go to the jail. We will cc you as being the representative from your county. The point of contact information that you provided in the first inventory is what we will use to send the second inventory out to the jail contact, and then we will cc you, so you are in the loop with the communication going on with the jail in your county.

Ken Gray: Okay, thank you, sorry. You're Victoria, right?

Director Gonzalez: Yes.

Ken Gray: I'm Ken, glad to meet you finally.

Director Gonzalez: Nice to meet you too. It's so great to see everyone's faces here too. I know we've talked a lot and I love this entity, that we're able to get all of these counties together. I think this is such a great opportunity. It's great to meet you and see everybody's faces.

Ken Gray: I miss getting together in person too though.

Director Gonzalez: I know, we'll make a move towards that.

Chair Pruyt: Do we have any other questions or comments?

Vice Chair Byrd: Jenna, did you ever get connected, did he ever respond?

Ms. Buonacorsi: No

Vice Chair Byrd: Okay. Now that he is back in town because I have seen him, I will remind him.

Ms. Buonacorsi: Sounds great. Thank you Denni.

Tick Segerblom: I have a couple of questions. First, I didn't realize I was on this Commission until today so, I didn't, I don't know what's happened, has my counterpart submitted anything for the first survey?

Director Gonzalez: She did.

Julia Murray: I sure did Tick.

Tick Segerblom: All right, good job.

Julia Murray: I got us.

Tick Segerblom: All right, good. Secondly, it sounds like, based on your observations from Carson City, that they don't have a good computer program. Is there a standardized computer program that each county should have that could put this information in, and we could actually be working off the same page?

Ms. Buonacorsi: That's something we're definitely looking in to being able to do some research and see what's working, what isn't working in the jail offender management systems and be able to provide counties with some recommendations of systems that we have heard of that are working well and able to capture all the information that you guys are being asked to ask and it's just hard and that was the main takeaway like I said we got from Carson. It's not that they don't want to give the data, they just can't pull it in the way that it is being requested. Having the offender management system that really allows you to be able to pull that data is going to be super helpful for the counties and then the state as a whole.

Director Gonzalez: If I may Chair as well. Just to piggyback on that. That's one of our goals Mr. Segerblom. Is to figure out, get this information and we're looking forward to presenting this all back to this Coordinating Council at the May meeting and then to the Sentencing Commission. When we show you the outcomes from this inventory and you see how many systems are out there and how many different systems are being used, one our hopes is that is going to be very enlightening to say, this is where we need to figure out what is the best system for this and one of the other issues that we are learning about, and some of you maybe already familiar with is there is two different things going on; each of these, specifically with the jail, is going to have a system that manages their offenders. They have a system in place so that they can just keep track of who's coming in and who's coming out. Some of these systems go back to the late 80's or early 90's. There was never a vision of using that system to aggregate data. At a minimum, I can see a recommendation for having the idea that these systems just be upgraded so that data can actually be aggregated from a system that's just managing offenders. Our Division of Parole and Probation and our Department of Corrections have the same problem. They have systems that were built to manage their offenders not actually collect and aggregate data. We're looking with the outcomes from this inventory to not only show the myriad of systems and the ad-hoc approaches that creative counties are using in order to get data from these systems but then also where do we want to go from here in order to really get us on a data driven track when it comes to criminal justice.

Tick Segerblom: Will you be looking at presenting a budget item to have the Governor present that to the legislature next year?

Director Gonzalez: I am hoping, based on the outcomes we get here we can see what we get, we will take this back to the Sentencing Commission, we'll see what information we can gather. Our question is too, which will be interesting I think to bring when we have all this together, is what sort of impact we can have on the counties. I assume that is going to be a big funding issue but what power will the state have if we go to the Governor to then get all of the counties on board which is why I think this council is so important. We've got to work from that grass roots level to work together. Even if we don't have the full authority from the Governor to

get that request, we have the interest here to say, we're trying to bring these counties together and trying to bring these systems together. Ultimately, and we will talk about it at the next agenda item too as far as what kind of funding does this look like and if we want to talk about that, lets drive our funding request that way and we can start looking at making this request for these systems and here will be the data to support, here's our data about data to explain why we need better data.

Ken Gray: That was funny.

Director Gonzalez: That's our starting point. Since the inception of this Department, we've realized we need data about data. Thanks.

Chair Pruyt: Are there any other questions or comments on this agenda item? All right seeing none, we will now close this agenda item.

6. Discussion of Request for Appropriation to Fund Grants Administered by the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council

Chair Pruyt: We will move on to agenda item number six which is Appropriation for Grants. I think as Director Gonzalez pretty well stated just a little bit earlier, I know some just jumped on the call, a large part of why this Commission was created, was to address issues of recidivism and try and find those essentially more or less holes where we have services, funding and those types of things and trying to fill them in. That's in large part why we have the inventories that we've been conducting. We recognize that while each county maybe experiencing a similar problem, the application for each county is going to very different based upon simply where they're located and the resources available. Now we get to talk about some of, may be what many consider to be a bit more of the exciting parts rather than just collecting the data, which is how to use that and some of the recommendations we will have for the Commission itself. I will now turn the time over to Director Gonzalez on this item.

Director Gonzalez: Thank you, Chair. The information collected from the first inventory will assist in building these recommendations as the Chair has discussed. Thank you again for sharing that information. I can't thank you enough for going on this adventure with us and accepting your appointment and serving on this Council, and then the information you've already provided us, and we are getting, we can see how valuable this is going to be and we can't wait to get more. Now we need to gather more specific information on the types of programs and treatment that need funding and the amount of funding needed. I think providing as much of this information up front will support the request that we will submit for any amount that will be needed to identify where those grants will be targeted. Our timelines for finalizing these requests are to meet the deadline for submitting our budget which is due September 1. The Department of Sentencing Policy and the Sentencing Commission have a budget that's submitted to the Governor's office as Tick mentioned, and so we are looking to include a request for funding for the grants for this Council in that request. We will also need to take whatever recommendations come out of this Council to the Sentencing Commission. The Sentencing Commission will meet in May and August in advance of that September 1 deadline for submitting the budget. This means that this Council will need to have some preliminary if not finalized information by the end of our meeting in May. Then this can be presented to the Commission May meeting and any follow-up information can be addressed at the Council's August meeting and subsequent Commission August meeting. We have a Council meeting, a Commission meeting, Council meeting, a Commission meeting to help set us up for these requests where we can vet the recommendations here, finalize them and then go and present them to the Commission.

Included in your materials is a PDF version of a worksheet we created to organize the needs and requests. The items I included in the worksheet are based on the questions we asked in the first inventory, but if the Council has another way that it wants to organize these items of course we will do it that way.

I will share my screen really quickly just to show you what that looks like in your meeting materials. What I created here was I listed every county and again as I mentioned earlier is that we've represented in case there are separate requests from each of our representatives from Clark and from Washoe. I've listed those counties here. Our question from the first inventory which is asking about data. If there was a specific request for data, we would list that item here. Then there's a column for mental health treatment programs and then there's a column for substance use treatment, other treatment programs and Department of Alternative Sentencing. These were just starting ideas based on the information we've already collected from this Council on where there are opportunities for funding in each of the counties. We are open to however the Council wants to organize these. We will be building also supporting documentation about what each of these requests look like. It will be something like this that we submit with our budget where we will list the proposed amount, the proposed item for each county, what the amount requested might look like, and then we would have totals to justify any requests that we make for an appropriation for those programs.

Let's just say in Carson City, based on what the information we collected from the inventory, if I went purely off the information that we just collected from the first inventory and where to use that as justification for what we request here, Carson City, as many counties did, indicated needs for mental health support. Let's say more specifically, Carson City learned something that securing additional funding for a response team would help those needs. We would list the name of the response team here in that column and a specific amount that would assist. Or in Esmeralda, it was reported there were no mental health programs. Maybe there is a program or partnership with another county that would help support this and it is known how much this will cost. We would list the program or partnership and the amount needed. A final example I will present is one related to data as we just discussed in the last agenda item. Let's say, based on information gathered from the county, there's a need for data as we've already discussed it is most likely. Maybe it is an upgrade or some other support to an existing system. We would list the system here or upgrade here and the amount requested to support that request.

I recommend this Council review the outcomes from the inventory, the items here, and identify those needs that are prioritized for your county. This isn't a wish list, but a list of what is most needed for your county and how a grant would help support that.

I will also note, as many of you know, grants are not a long-term solution but a way to help support and promote other sustainable solutions. When this Council actually starts administering grants, the requests submitted will need to explain how a program or anything else funded will be supported after the grant is expended. I would recommend as the Council members think about your ideas for programs or support that you're looking to possibly request funding for, think about what are those things that will help get something off the ground or get it going, but make sure there's a plan in place for sustainability.

At the pleasure of the Chair, I would welcome any items now that a Council member is aware of that you would request for your county so that I can start including that in this worksheet. Unless the Chair wants to, none of these will be approved or finalized today but will be done so at the May meeting but sharing your ideas or items now will help your fellow council members in coming up with ideas on what kind of things we're looking for.

Any item that is not discussed today, please send to me as soon as you have that so that we can assist in gathering any follow-up information we will need. I'm looking for the specifics of program, the specifics of the amount needed and any supporting documentation. This does not need to be a formal grant request, what we are doing here is just asking for a lump of money that this Council can start administering to the counties. My hope is that when we have this itemized list of things we can see would help and identify now, this will support our request for appropriation. The appropriation would be granted and then in the next biennium this Council would then start actually soliciting applications for grants, reviewing those applications from your fellow counties, and then approving those and then this Council would provide the oversight for those grants to make sure they are actually being used in the way they were requested. Chair, I will now turn the time back over to you.

Chair Pruyt: Thank you, Director Gonzalez. For everybody I know that's a lot of information that comes out and we did not expect everyone to come here with a list of needs and all those sorts of things, but certainly wanted it presented to everybody so those can be sent off here in the next few weeks to Director Gonzalez and her team. If there are any matters that related to this that anyone would like to discuss or comment on, please do so right now or any needs that they already know of. We will start with Mr. Levin

Erik Levin: If I look at this and the information that's being requested, let's say I see look in Douglas County, say well we could use a mental health court or we need a transitional living facility, coming up with how those programs would look and how much they might cost is so far out of my wheelhouse, I have zero chance of getting you that kind of information in the next few weeks. I'm not sure how I would address that or be able to respond.

Director Gonzalez: Chair, I can, if I may?

Chair Pruyt: Please do.

Director Gonzalez: What I would recommend then is if that's an idea you have, is we can schedule a meeting, we'd start talking about it. I would start with the inventory you submitted because there were contacts that you listed there for facilities in your county right now and we could start scheduling meetings with stakeholders or members of your county that we could start gathering the information. We're looking just to start this conversation. I really need a general amount that we can point to; I need the need and I need an amount we can point to. If we were to reach out to some of those contacts, I recognize that none of us are the experts or everything in our county. The idea is that you can be the point person and we can take it from there. Your staff is here to support and so we can assist. If we have a direction to go, we can go pull at that thread and cc you, and we can collaborate as much as you want. So, as you have an idea like that, after this I can reach out and we can start trying to figure out who to meet with or if you have an idea, I can go meet and then we can follow up and start vetting these ideas for the May meeting. We do have until September 1. I would say that the May meeting is a time for us to start this discussion as far as what's our prioritized list of items we're looking at and then if needed we will have time in August to refine it and really the formal request is going to come in the next biennium. We just need something that we can justify to the state right now to say, give us this lump of money and this is the good we intend to do with it. Does that help?

Mr. Levin: Yes, I will be calling you.

Chair Pruyt: Mr. Segerblom.

Mr. Segerblom: Yes, thank you. Just to be clear, you are going to come up with a number of million dollars, ten million something like that and that goes to the Sentencing Commission and then they say, yes that's good and that goes to the Governor and then the Governor's going to put that in, something in his budget for the legislature.

Director Gonzalez: Yes, so what it's going to be is yes. The Council will develop its recommendations, we will go and present those to the Commission. If the Commission approves those recommendations or amends those recommendations, what it does is go back to us. We are a state agency and so then what we would do is put that in our budget. I'm going to be talking to the Governor's office now, letting them know, just giving them a heads up that we're going to be asking for an appropriation and then as part of our budget we are going to say built into our appropriation tied to this statutory mandate, we are asking for this amount of money. I am laying the groundwork now with them and then we'll have the amount. It will be included as part of our budget for the Department of Sentencing Policy, the Sentencing Commission and basically the Coordinating Council. It's like we have our own budget that we are adding to our request. Does that answer your question?

Mr. Segerblom: What are you looking at? Are you looking at a million, are you looking at ten, are you looking at a hundred, what are you looking at?

Director Gonzalez: Well, that's why I want to see what you guys have. I don't want to throw a number out without it being vetted. So, I have no idea where to begin. We could go conservative with a couple of hundred thousand or we could go high. The idea would be that we could connect it to where we're trying to advance the policy of AB 236. If you guys want to start with a number, I am open to that, I would propose we start with coming up with specific ideas and saying, this is how much it costs to do this and then we can take that as part of the budget and have supporting documentation to say, let's say, one of the counties needs a response team, a mental health response team. And let's say we know it costs, I have no idea, \$50,000, I have no idea, I am sure it is more than that. We are going to have to come up with that number. If you want me to come up with a number, that's fine but then we have to list a bunch of items to lump into it. I couldn't decide where to start. We can start with a number and list them from there.

Mr. Segerblom: Let me throw out just an idea, on the reverse side of this process. When we first passed the marijuana law, every county got something. Even Douglas County which refuses to sell marijuana. I think Esmeralda County for example they get a hundred grand for their hundred people. If you just took that number and asked the legislature to just flip that money and say that's going to go to this issue, that would be an easy lift for them but the flip side is or the downside is I mean Clark County obviously, we have so many people in prison or in jail, I'm sorry, you couldn't come up with a bucket of money that's going to make a hell of a lot of difference. We are going to have to figure out a way to focus on the rurals and something that would give them some incentive to do something and then maybe we here in Clark County can separately kind of figure out, because we are doing the same thing locally as far as these diversion programs and mental health and all that stuff. I'm not even sure how this would fit into that picture, I do think that, think big would be my advice.

Director Gonzalez: I hadn't thought of, that's why I am really glad that we are talking and getting ideas. I think depending on what this Council has an appetite for doing that approach. If I'm hearing you, I think that what we would do is ask for a lump of money if we took that approach and say it's being used to fund this pot of grant money for the Coordinating Council and the idea would be divide it up by county. We would figure out a way how and then when the Council has the lump of money, we'd say okay, each county is entitled to apply for this amount of money and here's what you are going to do with it and the Council would then provide the oversight for what they did with that money. Is that what you are saying? Something like that?

Mr. Segerblom: Yeah, and maybe just leave Clark County out of it. We have so much, millions of dollars wouldn't touch what we are trying to do. But a hundred thousand dollars in Douglas County might do something. Esmeralda County, it would definitely do something. Think big and small and Clark County is like a whole other, the tail wagging the dog.

Mr. Dahl: It's always easier to come with the big number and then whittle it down.

Mr. Segerblom: Very true.

Tim Hipp: I'm from Esmeralda County, we are the poorest county in the state, and I just ask that you do not split the money based on population. Just about everything is done that way. The last batch of Covid money or it might have been the first batch of Covid money, I think out of 140 million dollars, and I think Washoe County got 84 million of that. We got about 150 thousand. There's very little that we can do with grants when it's based off of population. Just wanted to put that out there.

Chair Pruyt: Thank you, Mr. Hipp. Anyone else?

Julia Murray: To Mr. Levin's earlier question of how to quantify some of these things and come up with numbers. It's a well-placed concern from any of these counties that don't have any of these types of programs in place yet. The benefit of having a Clark and a Washoe involved in these conversations is that we have generated a lot of these programs locally over the course of the last 10, 15, 20 years. Some of the court offered services that we have are as new as a year or two old. Through our court coordinators in the larger counties, we should be able to get budgets that should be able, we should be able to look at those numbers.

Clearly, we're serving significantly larger population bases, but we should be able to extrapolate back to what a smaller population base costs to get things up and running would be, to be able to get real numbers and then obviously modify them as we see fit for need for getting people into the rurals, which I think is always a little bit more expensive. We might be able to get some pretty valid numbers if we do a little legwork on the front end through what's accessible in the big counties. I don't think that is something Mr. Levin should be taking on, but as you know those of you at the office that are running this more fulltime, that might be a good mechanism of numbers for you guys, to start getting some numbers drawn and to maybe cut out 500 phone calls and target it into one or two if you're looking at it with a blank drawing board.

The second thing is more of a question, in regards to what you are looking for when your asking for service based, I very much agree with what Tick said a moment ago with the larger counties. Some of these amounts of money aren't going to create that much here, but, in area, for example where I see shortcomings is we have these court programs up, running, funding, mental health court, drug court, co-occurring court, but we hit a point six months, nine months into the fiscal year and all the money for beds is gone and people just have to sit until the next fiscal year renews and they sit in custody or they go out without services. Could we seek little band-aids like that, as items that would help bridge the county through or are you only right now wanting to see these bigger, structural responses?

Chair Pruyt: Go ahead Director.

Director Gonzalez: I say yes and yes. I think if we focused on needs, I think that strengthens our position. If the need is a band-aid, then that's what I would propose that the request be. I think what the beauty of this public body is, is that by having everybody from every county, is we aren't trying to do the cliché, one size fits all approach. If we really bring everyone together and say, inventory what does everybody need, what is unique to your entity, that is the goal of an entity like this and that's what I would want to promote at the pleasure of what you all vote on and approve and I think that was the overall vision for a body like this. I think if we set that precedent now, that's something that would be sustainable. I think it would make sense in the long run that needs will fluctuate and ebb and flow depending on different grant opportunities you each find or whatever happens with funding. I think it makes sense to approach all and make it very unique to the county and appropriate to what you need and then we have the support and explanation for that. That would be my recommendation is that it should absolutely do what you need and that strengthens the request.

Vice Chair Byrd: And just to piggyback that, Mr. Hipp, that's where it's going to come in for you and your county is tell us what it is that you think would be beneficial and then we can help find a value to put on that. That way it isn't based on population, it's what could best meet your need. You are going to know your county better than anybody of what that could look like.

Chair Pruyt: I do believe the other benefit to having the ideas behind what the money will be, it's far more persuasive when it comes time to go to the legislature and even if they want to whittle that number, as we all know, you put a face or a project with the number and it makes it a little harder to whittle away, whether it's shoring up a few more beds in Washoe County or creating a whole new program in Esmeralda or whichever county we're working in. Having some specifics will go a long way even if we have to figure out how much those are going to cost as we go along. The ideas down will help a lot.

Director Gonzalez: A thought I had right now based on the input right now would be, a little more straight forward worksheet, whatever we come up with. It would be county by county and then we would list whatever it was that the identified need was for that county and then there would be a column for justification. What the justification is for that need and then how it ties to the policies behind AB 236 and the mandates of the Coordinating Council and reducing recidivism and things like that. That might be a more streamlined way to think about this, about what are the overarching policies and then what is your need and then how do we tie that together and then as the input we've received already, how to come with that amount, either we look for a combination of some specific amounts but then round it up to a bigger amount and say we are going to take

this approach to the Council, issuing or approving grants to the county. Based on the input, we could put something together that would simplify this and then maybe help everybody come up with what you need for your county.

Chair Pruyt: Thank you. Do we have additional questions or comments? All right, I'm not seeing anyone raise their hand or unmute a microphone, so if that's the case that will close this agenda item.

1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair Pruyt: We are going to go back to roll call so we can have our quorum now. We're going to jump back to roll call, which was agenda item number one, and I will turn it over to Director Gonzalez to retake the roll.

Director Gonzalez: Thank you Chair.

(ROLL CALL IS CONDUCTED BY DIRECTOR GONZALEZ; QUORUM IS MET.)

Chair Pruyt: We are going to go to item number three

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council held on September 27, 2021

Chair Pruyt: Attached you should have been provided with a copy of minutes from the September 27th, 2021, meeting. At this time, I'll ask if there are any edits, comments, or corrections that anyone would like made to those minutes. All right I am not seeing anyone unmute or otherwise raise their hand. I will now entertain a motion to approve the minutes from the September 27th, 2021, meeting. If I may have a motion and a second.

MR. KEN GRAY MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 27, 2021, MEETING

MR. DEMAR DAHL SECONDED THE MOTION

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Discussion of Potential Topics and Dates for Future Meetings

Chair Pruyt: We will now get back to where we were. We are going to move on to item number seven. This is Discussion of Potential Topics and Future Dates of Meetings.

The dates for the meetings for the rest of the year are provided in the agenda. Our next meeting will be May 4th, 2022, and then we will meet on August 3rd, 2022, and then ultimately the last of the year will be December 7th, 2022. Each of the meetings will start at 1:30 p.m. and will be held in the same virtual format that we have today.

Staff is already working on more topics and more items for discussion for our future meetings, but, at this time if anyone has anything specific that they would like to suggest, please feel free to suggest right now in this meeting or you may also email it to Director Gonzalez. If there is anyone? All right, I'm not seeing any items for additional discussion at this moment. Like I said if you think of anything, please email the Director Gonzalez or you can email me as well and we will make sure we can get those things on the topic for the next meeting, so we make sure they are discussed. As we certainly want to make sure we meet the needs of each of your counties. That will conclude item number seven.

8. Public Comment

Chair Pruyt: This will now open up item number eight, which is our final section of public comment. I am opening the second period of public comment, just as we did during the first period of public comment, those who wish to testify may do so by telephone. Due to time constraints, public comment is limited to two minutes per person. Any member of the public that exceeds the two-minute limit, may submit any additional testimony in writing to the Department of Sentencing Policy at SentencingPolicy@ndsp.nv.gov

At this time, I will ask staff to manage and direct those who wish to testify.

Ms. Arellano: Thank you, Chair. Members of the public who would like to testify by phone, press star nine to raise your hand. When it is your turn to speak, please slowly state and spell your first and last name.

Chair, we have no callers that wish to testify.

Chair Pruyt: All right, thank you. This concludes our second period of public comment.

9. Adjournment

Chair Pruyt: This moves us on to item number nine which is adjournment. I do want to thank everyone for all of their work. I especially want to thank staff who has spent a lot of time compiling the inventories, going to jail, to sit with them for a while, which is not on everybody's to-do list always, but I think it has provided a lot of insight that will help us out as we go through the next part of these meetings.

I certainly look forward to our next meeting as well where I expect it will get a little more spirited as we start to talk about money and programs. I do hope to see you all there at that meeting as well.

As always, if there's anything that you would like placed on the agenda, or if you have any concerns or questions, please contact Director Gonzalez or her team. You can always email me as well.

I think we have accomplished a good bit today and I hope to continue our efforts.

Our meeting is now adjourned.