



APRIL 2021 PROGRAM SNAPSHOT

CASS COUNTY COURT & PRETRIAL SERVICES

INTRODUCING COURT & PRETRIAL SERVICES

In response to the sustained growth the Pretrial Release Program has seen in the past year and recognizing the distinctions and need for separation of pretrial from post-conviction supervision, the Cass County Judiciary, with the support of the County Council and Commissioners, transitioned Cass County Pretrial Services to its own department, removing the agency from under the umbrella of Adult Probation. On April 1st, we became an independent department: *Cass County Court & Pretrial Services*.

The current Coordinator of the program assumed the role of Director, while the Pretrial Assistant assumed the role of full-time Pretrial Case Manager to provide supervision support that ensures not only the sustainability of the program and allows for growth, but also that clients remain supervised at a level of quality that continues to ensure public safety.

While the primary focus remains Pretrial Services, expanding the department into Court Services includes the added duties of assisting the Courts in writing grants and obtaining new funding opportunities, with a special focus on jail analysis & programming, mental health services and quality assurance. The Director will continue to work collaboratively with the Community Corrections Director in writing and administering county grants and other community supervision initiatives, in addition to overseeing and coordinating the upcoming local JRAC Council in July.

CURRENT OVERVIEW

Cass County Pretrial Services currently has 57 active clients. For comparison, data review shows an active population of 37 clients in March 2020, a 54% growth in the past year. We enrolled 25 new clients this past quarter and 24 clients successfully completed this

past quarter. 26 arrestee evaluations and recommendations were completed in March.

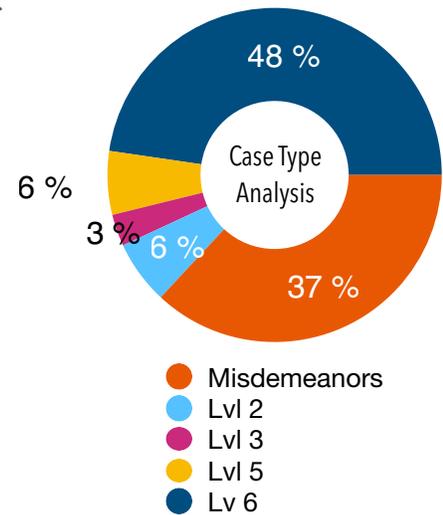
JAIL ANALYSIS:

The February jail analysis shows that 14% of inmates are classified as Pre-Adjudication/Pretrial. Those detained and given a standard bond in lieu of release to CCCPS, have been assessed to be a high risk to public safety or have a hold that prevents release, i.e. INS, out of county warrant, or parole hold. 39% of the population classified as pre-adjudication have an out of county warrant that excludes them from the pretrial release program.

COST SAVINGS:

Using the \$40 daily per diem used to house an inmate outside the jail, Pretrial Services is currently diverting \$2,160 daily in county incarceration expenses or approximately \$66,960 per a month. As of April 12th, the Cass County Jail was 20% over capacity, and was housing 14 inmates in outside facilities at a cost of \$560 a day. It is estimated that without Pretrial Services the jail would be 50% over capacity.

Offense Type	Total
Misdemeanors	25
Level 6 Felonies	31
High Level Felonies	10
Courtesy Transfers	3
Percent Felonies	68 %
Total	69



STATISTICAL SNAPSHOT:

• Risk Analysis:

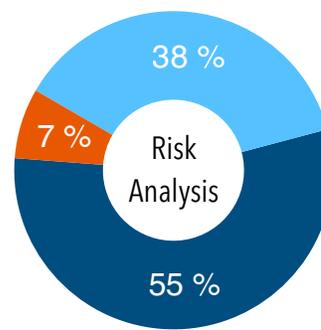
- Trends show that 7% of active clients have been identified through the IRAS-PAT as High Risk, 55% as Moderate Risk, and 38% as Low Risk.

• Offense Type Analysis:

- Analysis shows that 41% are drug and alcohol related offenses, 9% crimes against property, 30% crimes against persons, and 20% are traffic offenses.

• Supervision Analysis:

- 30% of active participants are being supervised at Level 3 (High) Supervision, with weekly or daily reporting.
- 26% of active clients have needs where supervised release was in the best interest of the county and the clients, including one high risk pregnancy.
- 14% of active clients have multiple cases.
- 9 clients are being supervised with electronic monitoring.



● High ● Low
● Moderate

SERVICES:

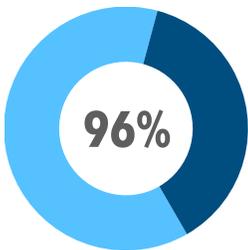
22% of clients are currently participating in voluntary programming and services, including domestic violence classes, individual counseling and peer recovery groups.

We would like to highlight that we had a client graduate from the Recovery Works Rehabilitation Center this past month, while another client is participating in in-patient treatment at the Home for Hope.

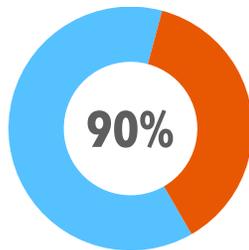
NOTABLE UPDATES:

- We secured the CARA Grant that provides Naloxone/Narcan doses and training for not only Court & Pretrial Services, but also Community Corrections and Adult & Juvenile Probation.
- In Collaboration with Superior Court 2 Judge, Lisa Swaim, we were able to reallocate funds in the ICJI COVID-19 Grant to apply \$25,000 of funds to the purchase of Community Corrections' Body Scanner. Other purchases this past month include PPE for the Logansport Police & Cass County Sheriff's Department and sound cancelling panels for the jail. Over 27 laptops for Court Staff, the Prosecutor and Clerk's Offices and Community Corrections are ordered and pending delivery.
- With Community Corrections and Circuit Court Judge, Stephen Kitts, we held an informational training and Q&A with the Logansport Police Department to increase collaboration. Training with the Cass County Sheriff's Department is scheduled for early summer.
- We submitted our application for Certification by the Indiana Office of Court Services last week. It is estimated we will receive certification early to mid summer.
- The Pretrial Case Manager will become certified to administer the IRAS This month along with the new CPCC therapist and is also preparing for his probation officer exam.

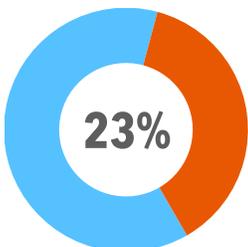
PERFORMANCE METRICS:



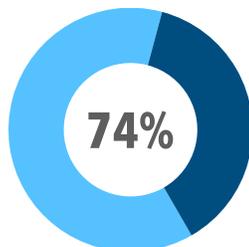
Appearance Rate: the percentage of defendants who attended all court hearings during their pretrial period



Safety Rate: the percentage of defendants who were not charged with a new offense during their pretrial period



Violation Rate: the percentage of defendants who received a violation, pending violations are included in calculations



Success Rate: the percentage of defendants who have not received a violation, FTA, or new offense while under supervision

