

**Marion County Community Corrections Advisory Board/
Local Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council Meeting
March 20, 2025**

Board Members Present: Chair Carlette Duffy, Judge Jeffrey Marchal, Daniel Cicchini, Sandra Harden, Paige Bova, Chesney Coleman-Miller, NaTrina DeBow, and Counsel to the Board Adam Wicker.

With a quorum present, Chair Duffy called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

- **Approval of Board Minutes**
 - Chair Duffy requested a motion to approve the MCCCAB/LJRAC Meeting Minutes for February 20th. The motion was made and seconded; MCCCAB/LJRAC Meeting Minutes for February 20th were approved by the Board.
- **Marion County Community Corrections Contracts**
 - **ACCIndy**
Contract Manager, Deanna Cantrell, formally requested approval from the Board to amend the existing contract for ACCIndy, the language service currently used by the agency. She informed the Board that while the current contract expires in August, the second amendment is being requested to increase the not-to-exceed amount (NTE) by \$20,000.00 to pay for services through August. Discussion was held between the Board Members and Program Manager Cantrell. The motion to approve the NTE increase and the second amendment of the ACCIndy Contract was made and seconded; the NTE increase for ACCIndy's second contract amendment was approved by the Board.
- **Marion County Alternative Courts & Veterans Court CY2026 Budget Presentation/Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Funding Application Submission Request**
 - Marion County Mental Health Alternative Court and Veterans Court Coordinator, Lyndsay Connor, petitioned the Board to submit the Community Corrections and Justice Reinvestment Grant Application to the Indiana Department of Corrections (IDOC) for Marion County Mental Health Alternative Court and Veterans Court before providing budget details. She explained that the amount of Mental Health Alternative Court's grant funding request is for a total of \$424,400.00. Potential grant funding will be used to support staff salaries, supplies, drug testing, cellphone services, and vendor contracts. Discussion was held between Court Coordinator Connor and the Board before she explained the goals for potential grant funding in the amount of \$170,445.00 for Veterans Court which will be used to support staff salaries, supplies, cellphone services, drug testing services, and vendor contracts. The motion was made and seconded, The CY2026 IDOC Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission Requests for both

Veterans Court and Mental Health Alternative Court were approved by the Board.

- **Marion County Sheriff's Office CY2026 Budget Presentation/Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Funding Application Submission Request**
 - Sr. Finance Specialist, Brittany Gore, petitioned the Board to submit the Cy2026 Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Application for the Marion County Sheriff's Office. Sr. Finance Specialist Gore informed the Board that \$274,275.00 is the amount requested for this year's grant application which mirrors last year's grant award. The potential grant funding will be used to continue the current treatment program at the Adult Detention Center. The Jail Treatment Program includes a Behavioral Management Program and contractual services provided by Enriching Lives. Sr. Finance Specialist Gore disclosed program criteria, aspects of the referral process, and detailed descriptions of program staff positions to the Board. Discussion was held between the Board and Sr. Finance Specialist Gore. The motion was made and seconded, the Marion County Sheriff's Office CY2026 IDOC Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission Request was approved by the Board.

- **Marion Superior Court Probation and Pretrial CY2026 Budget Presentation/Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission Request**
 - Chief Probation Officer, Christine Kerl, requested to submit Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant applications for Pretrial and Probation to IDOC for CY2026 before explaining the amount of \$490,802.00 for Pretrial Services to the Board which will support staff salaries/fringe benefits and technology charges. Without any inquiries from the Board, Chief Probation Officer Kerl discussed details about the grant funding request for Probation in the amount of \$151,813.00. Potential grant funding will be used to support the expansion of the Youthful Offender Program which will reach more individuals in need of services like transportation, drug testing vouchers, and other program incentives. Discussion was held between Chief Probation Officer Kerl and the Board. The motion was made and seconded, the Marion Superior Court Probation and Pretrial CY2026 IDOC Community Corrections and Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission Request was approved by the Board.

- **Marion County Alternative Courts (Drug Treatment & Reentry) CY2026 Budget Presentation/Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission Request**

 - Director Jeffrey Yanis petitioned the Board to submit CY2026 Community Corrections and Justice Reinvestment Grant Applications for Marion County Alternative Courts (Diversion and Reentry) to IDOC. He informed the Board that the amount requested for Drug Treatment Court is \$305,372.00 which will support staff salaries/fringe benefits for three (3) Case Managers, partial salary for one (1) Public Defender assigned to Drug Court, and client services. Discussion was held between Director Yanis and the Board before he shared the requested grant amount of \$270,260.00, which covers salaries and fringe benefits for three (3) Case Managers and client services. Discussion was held between the Board and Director Yanis. The motion was made and seconded, the Marion County Alternative Courts (Drug Treatment and Reentry) CY2026 IDOC Community Corrections and Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission Request was approved by the Board.

- **Marion Superior Court Prosecutor's Office CY2026 Budget Presentation/Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission Request**

 - Division Chief County Prosecutor, Lucas Niekamp, requested submission of the CY2026 Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Application for the Marion County Prosecutor's Office. He stated that the potential grant funding will be used to support the Felony Diversion Program. He stated that the funding will be used to support the salaries and fringe benefits for one (1) Deputy Prosecutor and one (1) Case Manager, operational costs, and drug testing. The total amount of the request is \$219,050.00. Discussion was held between Division Chief Prosecutor Niekamp and the Board. The motion was made and seconded, the Marion County Prosecutor's Office CY2026 Community Corrections and Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission request was approved by the Board, with Daniel Cicchini abstaining from the vote.

- **Marion County Community Corrections CY2026 Budget Presentation/Community Corrections & Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission Request**

 - Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Justin Garcia, petitioned the Board to request approval to submit the CY2026 Community Corrections and Justice Reinvestment Grant Application in the total amount of \$7,397,453.22. CFO DeBow explained that the request includes an increase for cost-of-living allowances, an increase in the cost of staff health insurance, electronic monitoring costs increase (SB 324), and a proposed salary increase for Marion County Community Corrections Officers to align with recent average

salary amounts for Sheriff Deputies. He informed the Board about IDOC's requirement of making two (2) separate grant funding requests for work release and electronic monitoring. The Community Supervision Request (electronic monitoring) is for \$4,246,752.50 which covers forty-six (46) staff salaries, electronic monitoring contract costs, and supplies. Discussion was held between the Board, CFO Garcia and Executive Director, Scott Hohl. CFO Garcia shared the grant funding request in the amount of \$3,150,703.72 for work release which covers thirty-one (31) staff positions, vendor contracts, drug testing, resident employment assistance, and supplies. Discussion was held between the Board, CFO Garcia, and Director Hohl. The motion was made and seconded, Marion County Community Corrections CY2026 Community Corrections and Justice Reinvestment Grant Application Submission was approved by the Board.

- **Marion County Community Corrections Updates**

- Executive Director Hohl informed the Board that he will defer agency updates until the next convening which will include a review of the agency's completed Annual Report for 2024. There was no approval needed from the Board.

- **MCCCAB/LJRAC Announcement**

- Chair Duffy formally welcomed NaTrina DeBow as a new member of the MCCCAB/LJRAC. There was no approval needed from the Board.

With no further business before the MCCCAB/LJRAC, the meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm.

The next scheduled MCCCAB/LJRAC meeting will be held on **Thursday, April 17, 2025, in Room T-260 (CCB).

