



JULY 2021 PROGRAM SNAPSHOT

CASS COUNTY COURT & PRETRIAL SERVICES

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Mission Statement:

"Serving the community by using evidence-based practices and needs-based supervision that prioritizes public safety, maximizes court appearance and reduces recidivism, while protecting the presumption of innocence."

CURRENT OVERVIEW

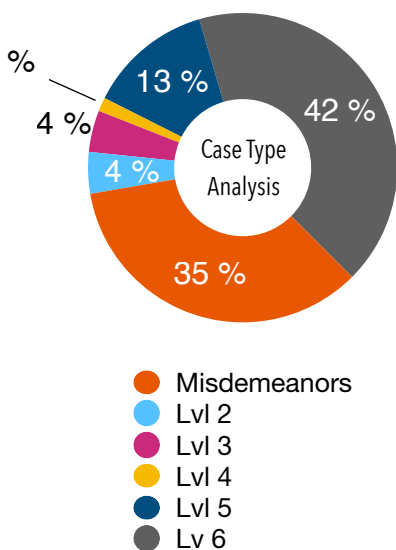
CCCPS continues to see a documented increase in clients served, proving that program growth is not a COVID anomaly. In 2020 the agency served a total of 136 clients and this year, we have already served 129 clients, 95% of our total population served in 2020.

Cass County Pretrial Services currently has 63 active clients, an 8% percent increase from last month, and served a total of 67 clients in June for a total number of 1,718 days. 29 arrestee evaluations and recommendations, with IRAS-PATs, were completed in the past month and 20 new intakes were completed in June and as of July 15th. We also had 6 clients successfully complete the program this past month.

COST SAVINGS:

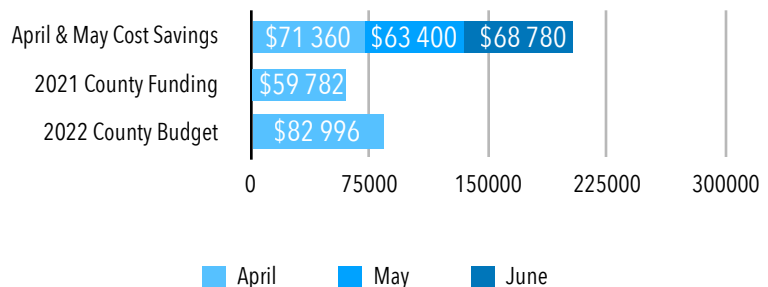
Using the \$40 daily per diem used to house an inmate outside the jail, Pretrial Services is currently diverting \$2,520 daily in county incarceration expenses. As noted previously, we served 62 clients for a total of 1,718 days in May, for an estimated cost savings of \$68,780. As of July 13th, the Cass County Jail was 30% over capacity, and was housing 9 inmates in outside facilities at a cost of \$480 a day or \$14,880 a month. It is estimated that without Pretrial Services the jail would be 66% over capacity.

In April, the County funded the agency's transition to an independent department and expansion to include a full-time case manager. Calculations show that we have already diverted 100% of the proposed 2022 budget in the first three months of operations with a \$60,000 surplus, in addition to funds extended to support the program this year.



Offense & Case Type	Total
Misdemeanors	24
Level 6 Felonies	29
High Level Felonies	16
Courtesy Transfers	6
Probation Violations	2
Mental Health Adjudications	2
Special Conditions of Bond	11
Percent Felonies	65%
Total	69

Cost Savings Vs. Expenditures



JAIL ANALYSIS:

The June jail analysis showed that 15% 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. 29% of the population classified as pre-adjudication have an out of county warrant that excludes them from the pretrial release program. Pretrial Services has observed an increase in arrestees that identify as High Risk on the IRAS-PAT.

STATISTICAL SNAPSHOT:

• Offense Type Analysis:

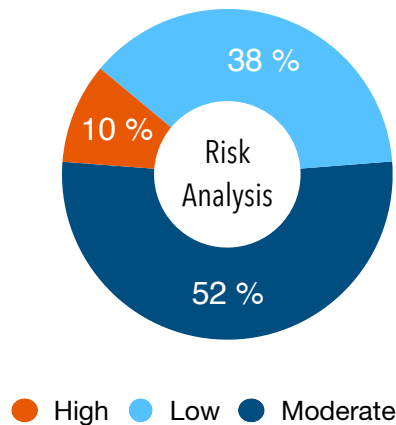
- Analysis shows that 34% are drug and alcohol related offenses, 8% crimes against property, 37% crimes against persons, and 15% are traffic offenses.

• Supervision Analysis:

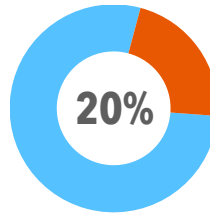
- 38% of active participants are being supervised at Level 3 (High) Supervision, with weekly or daily reporting, a 2% increase in the last month.
- 20% of active clients have needs where supervised release was in the best interest of the county and the clients, including one high risk pregnancy and several client clients with injuries and chronic illnesses.
- 6% of active clients have multiple cases.
- 15 clients are being supervised with electronic monitoring facilitated by Cass/Pulaski Community Corrections
- 26% of clients are currently participating in voluntary programming and services, including domestic violence classes, individual counseling and peer recovery groups.

• Risk Analysis:

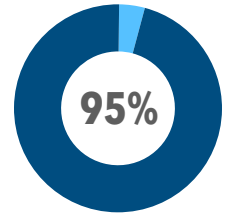
- Trends show that 10% of active clients have been identified through the IRAS-PAT as High Risk, 52% as Moderate Risk, and 38% as Low Risk.



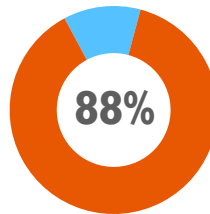
PERFORMANCE METRICS:



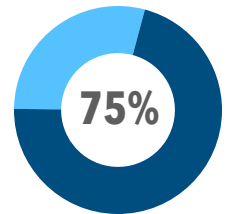
Violation Rate: the percentage of defendants who received a violation, pending violations are included in calculations



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



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

NOTABLE UPDATES:

- Our Presumptive Certification through Indiana Office of Court Services meeting is scheduled for September 8, 2021. We are excited to become a State Certified Pretrial Services Agency and are currently only the second independent agency in the State.
- The Director passed the exam to receive status as a Nationally Certified Pretrial Services Professional (CPSP) and the The Pretrial Case Manager passed both his Probation Officer Exam and Indiana Risk Assessment training.
- CY2022 IDOC Grant Applications have been completed and submitted. Awards should be announced in September 2020.
- This past quarter we used funds from the ICJI COVID Relief Grant to buy 27 laptops for multiple offices throughout our local criminal justice system. Remaining funds will be utilized to purchase sound panels and equipment for the virtual therapy room in the Cass County Jail.
- Our application for the Justice Partners Addictions Response Grant has been submitted. \$60,000 is being sought to fund Mental Health Evaluations, Curriculum for Pretrial Services, Training, and a Virtual Therapy Computer Lab for Community Corrections.

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