



Location: JFS 1345 Lagonda Ave, Springfield OH



Date: May 20th



Time: 8:30-9:30 AM

Meeting Minutes

- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:31 with 21 people in attendance.
 - a. We went around the room and completed introductions.
- II. Coalition reviewed the minutes from April. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Gina Kicos and seconded by Abby Glaser. The motion passed unanimously.
- III. Updates:
 - a. Haitian Coalition: There is an upcoming meeting on the 21st at Clark State from 9:00 to 11:00 AM.
 - b. Partners in Prevention: No update.
 - c. Parole: No update.
 - d. Probation: No update.
 - e. Clark County Jail: No update.
 - f. Transportation Council: Brooke reported that the Transportation Committee canceled their presentation for today's meeting. The Transportation Committee is working on completing the contract with a micro transit provider and hope to have more news by our next meeting.
 - g. ODRC: Ernest provided an update. He noted that most of the 28 prisons have a case manager that is trained in Ready to Rent. They are also working on a worker's program for certain offenders to allow them to work outside of the facility to earn and save wages to take with them when they are released. Folks in the program are more likely to stay in the same county as the prison upon release. Some folks will need support upon release to ensure that they are financially responsible.
 - h. Reentry Committees:
 - i. CAP:
 1. Over 130 folks completed the survey. Thank you to CCCHD, 1 to 1, McKinley Hall, and Reentry Department staff for their help connecting people to the survey.
 2. Focus groups:
 - a. Completed parole.
 - b. Working to schedule with Springfield City Police.
 - c. Probation scheduled later in June.
 - d. Working to schedule with Sheriff Department.
 - ii. Education:
 1. Greene County: Gun Safety & Legal Education Training is October 9th from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Midwest Shooting Center in Beavercreek. Light breakfast items and a boxed lunch will be provided. MHRB will work out CEUs.
 2. The committee is considering hosting the Eviction Documentary and Panel by Dr. Kathy Rowell.
 3. The committee is considering hosting a Trauma-Informed Care training course in the fall.
 4. BMV Reentry Training: See more in the New Business section.
 - iii. Access to Service:
 1. Planning for the May 28th Fair Chance Wednesday event.
 - iv. Housing:
 1. The Housing Committee is working on developing a one-page eviction data summary to share with community stakeholders and the Reentry Coalition. The committee has been working to pull eviction data from community-level resources as well as state



and national-level resources. The goal is to develop a strategy to support systematic change that will remove barriers for those with prior evictions.

i. Legislative update:

- i. HB29: This bill provides pathways, like payment plans and community service, for folks with debt-related driver's license suspensions.
- ii. HB29/HB30: This bill is regarding inmates' access to feminine hygiene products and showers by municipal and county correctional facilities as well as state correctional institutions.
- iii. SB179: This bill requires institutions to verify the veteran status of imprisoned individuals and individuals facing imprisonment.

IV. New Business

- a. BMV Training Opportunity: July 15th from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. A Teams link will be shared.
- b. We discussed the Reentry Coalition Members Survey and how this is a component of our CAP Committee. Our goal is to gather feedback from partner organizations on their participation in the Reentry Coalition, the value they receive from the coalition, and how we could better serve both partner agencies and justice-impacted citizens. We ask all coalition members to complete the survey.
 - i. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ccrcsurvey2025>
- c. CEA: See more in the Good of the Order section.

V. Old Business

The Reentry Simulation was held on April 29th with 50 participants. People responded positively to both the venue and the event. Participants shared in the meeting that they appreciated the larger venue and thought the space was very nice. They emphasized the importance of the event in reducing stigma for justice-impacted citizens and noted how impactful the facilitator, Andrea Carter, was. There was press coverage in the newspaper.

- a. PTSD Training was held on April 15th with 26 participants in attendance. It was presented by Josh Nordstrom, the Suicide Prevention Coordinator for The Dayton VA. Resources were provided to all
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attendees, including gun locks. Over 400-gun locks were distributed to community providers in attendance.

- b. The Community-Based Family Forum was held on April 15th at the Clark County Public Library. Nine participants attended to learn more about the reentry process for their family members who are currently incarcerated in Ohio prisons.
- c. Step Into Stability Sock Drive: 25 organizations participated, and more than 300 pairs of socks were donated. Socks will be provided for clients in our Welcome Home bags, as well as during new work assignments and as needed.

VI. For the good of the order

- a. Record Sealing Clinic on June 7th: Reminder that the Reentry Office will be reaching out to registrants through email, and everyone must complete the Legal Aid form and submit it to the office before the event, or it will delay the service they receive.
- b. The Citizen Circle one-year anniversary was in March.
 - i. We are looking for presenters, organizations, as well as justice-impacted citizens to come to our meetings throughout the rest of the year. We are hoping to have our July meeting at a Champion City Kings game.
- c. Reminder: No June meeting. The next meeting is on July 15th from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m., across the street at 1346 Lagonda.
- d. Fair Chance Wednesday is coming up. If you haven't completed the vendor registration, please do so.
- e. CEA: Please complete the attached form, as it is a list of official partners and is required for grantors. Please turn it in before you leave or email it to us at bnburks@clarkcountyohio.gov.
- f. Andrea Carter from Think Tank shared information about the upcoming Change Leader Alliance Academy on June 6th and 7th. Lunch and dinner will be provided. This is for people with lived experience in poverty, incarceration, or addiction who want to share their story to create change. Scholarships are available to cover the cost.
- g. Casey Rollins noted concerns about detentions of Haitian immigrants in the community and the impact that is going to have. This concern was further validated by Commissioner Patterson, who spoke briefly about his trip to Washington, D.C.
- h. Molly Cruz shared that BrightView's anniversary party will be on June 4th from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. A flyer will be shared with the coalition once it is received.
- i. Ernest Stockton from ODRC shared a look at the reentry envelopes incarcerated individuals receive before their release. These envelopes provide a checklist of all steps needed before returning to the community to ensure successful reintegration. Individuals should be leaving with this envelope completed. Community partners working with recently returned citizens should be aware of the envelopes and request them to support their clients' transition.

VII. Adjournment at 9:26 AM.





Attendees:
Abby Glaser
Amy Bracken
Andrea Carter
Andrew Ferguson
Bonita Burch
Bonita Vangorden
Brittany Burks
Brooke Wagner
Brynn Cunningham
Casey Rollins
Charlie Patterson
Ernest Stockton
Gina Kicos
Jacob Clark
Jodie McCain
Merri Shearer
Molly Cruz
Sarah Richards
Thomas McGrath
Vince Carter
Vince Chase

