



Justice Task Force Progress

SPOKANE REGIONAL LAW & JUSTICE COUNCIL

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Justice Task Force Overview

- Convened in 2019 and comprised of multidisciplinary experts including City, County, Valley government officials, community leaders, service providers, and business leaders.
 - Supported by Vera Institute of Justice and the JFA Institute.
 - Conducted quantitative analysis, held town halls and four focus groups with incarcerated individuals.
 - Produced jail forecast and a portfolio of recommendations.
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- You can review the work of the Justice Task Force here: <https://www.spokanecounty.org/4470/Justice-Task-Force>

Initiative	JTF Vote in Favor	Progress
Adopt Guiding Principles	Majority	Completed (City Council, Board of County Commissioners)
Intake & Release Center	Majority	Phase I Completed
Court Information Hotline	Unanimous	Completed
Redesigning Citations	Unanimous	In progress
Court Date Reminders	Unanimous	In progress
Supported Release	Majority	In progress
Improved Case Processing	Majority	In progress
Expanding Peer Supports	Majority	In progress: Peer support staffing at IRC.
Warrantfest	Majority	No progress to develop opportunities to resolve certain warrants at the event.
Incentivized Probation	Majority	No progress
Relaxing EHM Requirements	Majority	No progress, However, Detention Services has worked to lift financial barriers when possible to release individuals during the pandemic. The Smith Barbieri Progressive Fund is also subsidizing payment in some cases.
Overnight Waiting Area	Majority	No progress
Pre-Filing Diversion	Majority	No progress
Jail Reach-ins	Unanimous	No progress

Completed

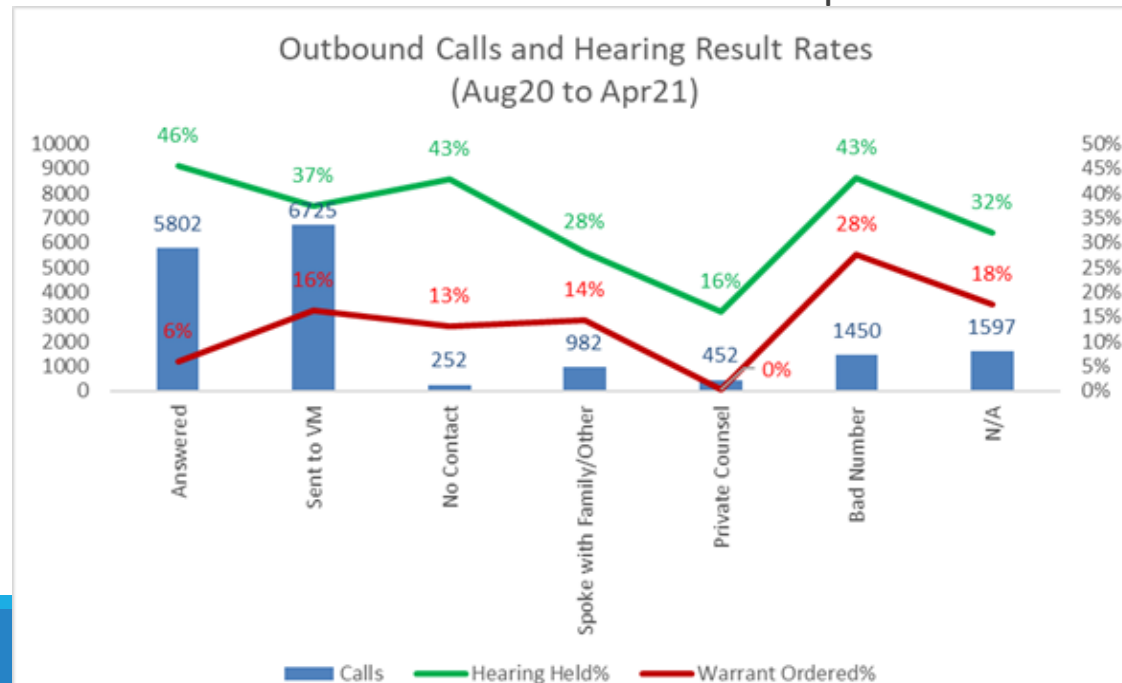
1) Adopt Guiding Principles

- Separate versions adopted by Spokane City Council & the Spokane County Board of Commissioners

2) Intake & Release Center (Phase I)

- Open Tuesday through Friday, 1:20p – 11:20pm
- Custodial Arrest Book and Release and Court Ordered Book and Release Populations

3) Court Information Hotline



In Progress

1) Redesigning Citations

- Uniform Citation Committee

2) Court Date Reminders

- County Public Defender continuing to leverage Uptrust
- One time reminder for the book and release population

3) Supported Release

- Funding from the MacArthur Safety & Justice Challenge for a two-year pilot
- Project Team developing model for District Court

4) Improved Case Processing

- Court specific efforts

5) Expanding Peer Supports

- Intake & Release Center

Parking Lot

- 1) Warrantfest
- 2) Incentivized Probation
- 3) Relaxing EHM Requirements
- 4) Overnight Waiting Area
- 5) Prefiling Diversion
- 6) Jail Reach-Ins