



Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

Attorney General Derek Schmidt, Chairperson
Justin Whitten, Vice-Chairperson (Governor's Designee)

**Kansas Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
Landon State Office Building, Room 509
Topeka, Kansas
Minutes of October 10, 2022
9:00 a.m.**

Council Members in Attendance

Steve Karrer, Attorney General's Designee and Acting Chairperson
Justin Whitten, Governor's Designee and Vice-Chairperson
Amber Smith, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Designee
Jeff Zmuda, Secretary of Corrections
Kirk Thompson, Director of the Kansas Bureau of Investigation
Colonel Herman Jones, Superintendent of the Kansas Highway Patrol

Kansas Governor's Grants Program Staff in Attendance

Julienne Maska, Administrator
Jill Stewart, Financial Officer
Jocelyn Scott, Justice Assistance Grant Analyst
Kim Gerety, Grants Specialist II
Jamie Bowser, Executive Assistant

Others in Attendance

Attendance Sheet attached

Welcome

Acting Chairperson Karrer called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m., noted a quorum is present, and welcomed all in attendance. At Mr. Karrer's request, the Kansas Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (Council) members introduced themselves. At Mr. Karrer's request, Ms. Stewart introduced herself and the Kansas Governor's Grants Program (KGGP) staff.

Approval of July 7, 2022, Minutes

Director Thompson made a motion to approve the July 7, 2022, minutes and Colonel Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of Fiscal Year 2023 JAG Applications

Ms. Stewart explained the information included on the "applicant spreadsheet," emailed to the Council prior to the meeting. Ms. Stewart reminded the Council the JAG funds are provided to criminal justice system partners to address crime and improve public safety. Applicants must

request funds for use in one or more of the following eight purpose areas: law enforcement programs; prosecution and court programs, including indigent defense; prevention and education programs; corrections and community corrections programs; drug treatment and enforcement programs; planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs; crime victim and witness programs (other than compensation); and mental health related law enforcement and corrections programs.

Ms. Stewart also reminded the Council about the approved five-year Kansas Statewide Strategic Plan (Plan) for the JAG program. The Plan identifies the following three funding priorities: evidence-based practices that improve the criminal justice system response to mental illness; evidence-based practices to enhance drug enforcement and workforce retention for law enforcement; and evidence-based programming to provide presentation and education on crisis intervention, mental health, substance abuse, suicide, and juvenile delinquency. The JAG solicitation instructed applicants to review the Plan and consider where proposed projects align with the Plan priorities.

Ms. Stewart explained the KGGP used 14 different outside grant reviewers to evaluate the JAG applications. The KGGP ensured the outside reviewers did not have conflicts of interest with applicants. Additionally, they represented a variety of backgrounds. Each outside reviewer had an average of five applications to review with each application having two reviewers. The scoring given on each request was according to the rubric provided to the reviewers. The KGGP risk assessment process was then explained and how it is used by the KGGP staff for monitoring purposes.

Mr. Karrer asked about applicants complying with the statutorily required criminal history reporting. Director Thompson explained the one-page document the KBI put together for the Council that indicates compliance on a quarterly basis. Some agencies did not report at all, and some missed one or two quarters. Director Thompson then added that for the criminal history section there is no way to know if there was any type of arrest during this time that required reporting.

Ms. Stewart explained the “project JAG-funded more than five years” indicator. The Council added this requirement to the Solicitation to inform agencies not to rely on receiving JAG funding for multiple years, as the funding should not be used to sustain programs.

The Council first discussed the applications that both outside reviewers recommended for full funding: #3 Coffey County Sheriff’s Office; #5 Kansas Holistic Defenders; #7 North West Kansas Community Corrections; #9 Gray County Sheriff’s Office; #12 Merriam Police Department; #14 Spring Hill Police Department; #15 Basehor Police Department; #16 Brothers in Blue Reentry; #17 City of Mound City; #20 Meade County Sheriff’s Office; #21 Mitchell County; #22 Caney Police Department; #24 Council Grove Police Department; #25 Osage County Sheriff’s Office; #26 Pratt Police Department; #30 28th Judicial District Community Corrections; #34 Park City Police Department; #36- Kansas Department of Corrections-Office of Victim Services (KDOC-OVS); #37 Kansas Supreme Court; #38 National Alliance on Mental Illness Kansas; #39 Avenue of Life; and # 41 Village Initiative.

The Council discussed setting aside applications #3 Coffey County Sheriff's Office, #5 Kansas Holistic Defenders, #15 Basehor Police Department, #17 City of Mound City, #20 Meade County Sheriff's Office, #22 Caney Police Department, #25 Caney Police Department, and #26 Pratt Police Department for later consideration due to not being in compliance with criminal history reporting, submitting significantly incomplete applications, and application #5 Kansas Holistic Defenders who was denied last year. Director Thompson made a motion to set the applications aside for later consideration and Secretary Zmuda seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Council discussed approving applications #12 Merriam Police Department; #14 Spring Hill Police Department; #21 Mitchell County; #24 Council Grove Police Department; #30 28th Judicial District Community Corrections; #34 Park City Police Department; #37 Kansas Supreme Court; #38 National Alliance on Mental Illness Kansas; #39 Avenue of Life; and # 41 Village Initiative. Mr. Whitten made the motion and Colonel Jones seconded. Secretary Zmuda raised a question regarding application #41 Village Initiative and the reviewer comment addressing potential supplanting. Ms. Stewart explained there is no certainty of what the reviewer meant regarding supplanting and that it does not appear to be supplanting, but KGGP does not have a lot of knowledge about the organizational structure or agency budget. A previous subgrantee appears to have funded this position in the past through a contract, but KGGP does not know for certain.

There was a substitute motion by Director Thompson to amend the previous motion and to approve applications #14 Spring Hill Police Department; #21 Mitchell County; #24 Council Grove Police Department; #30 28th Judicial District Community Corrections; #34 Park City Police Department; #37 Kansas Supreme Court; #38 National Alliance on Mental Illness Kansas; #39 Avenue of Life; and # 41 Village Initiative. All these applications meet the criteria outlined in the Plan and have not been JAG funded for more than five years. Mr. Whitten seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Ms. Smith abstained from voting due to the Kansas Supreme Court's application being included in the motion.

Mr. Karrer announced a 15-minute break from 10:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. At 10:45 a.m., Mr. Karrer reconvened the meeting and noted all Council members were present.

Mr. Karrer said the following applications have some level of non-compliance with the criminal history reporting requirement submitted using the Kansas Incident Based Reporting System (KIBRS). Applicants #3 Coffey County Sheriff's Office and #17 City of Mound City failed to submit a report using KIBRS all four quarters. Application #22 Caney Police Department was also significantly incomplete as they have three missing quarters. Application #20 Meade County Sheriff's Office had two missing quarters, and application #26 Pratt Police Department and #15 Basehor Police Department had one missing quarter. It was also noted applications #25 Osage County Sheriff's Office; #22 Caney Police Department; and #17 City of Mound City were indicated as significantly incomplete applications.

Mr. Karrer said applications #7 Northwest Kansas Community Corrections; #9 Gray County Sheriff's Office; #16 Brothers in Blue Reentry; and #36 KDOC-OVS were the remaining applications within the full funding category that needed to be considered. He asked Ms. Stewart to explain the funding mechanisms and why some applications are funded multiple years. Ms.

Stewart explained that several factors are considered such as the quality of the application and whether the application included outcomes about the prior year's funding. In previous years, the Council has been cognizant of the funding distribution across Kansas. Mr. Whitten said application #36 and #16 requested significantly less funds this year. Mr. Whitten made a motion to approve #7, #9, #16, and #36. Director Thompson seconded the motion. Secretary Zmuda abstained from voting due to the KDOC's application being included in the motion.

The Council discussed application #5 Kansas Holistic Defenders and whether this is a new program within Douglas County. Director Thompson made a motion to approve application #5 because it is in alignment with the JAG purpose areas. Secretary Zmuda seconded the motion. And it passed unanimously.

Mr. Whitten made a motion to approve applications #15 Basehor Police Department and #26 Pratt Police Department at the recommended amount. Ms. Smith seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Council asked questions or made comments on the applications remaining within the full funding category.

The Council discussed application #3 Coffey County Sheriff's. Mr. Whitten asked KGGP staff why the application was identified as incomplete. Ms. Stewart informed the Council the application was missing the justification, audit information, and grant staff sections from the narrative. Additionally, the outlined goals and objectives were not measurable.

The Council discussed the specifics of the application for #20 Meade County Sheriff's Office. It was noted that this agency serves the southwest portion of the state. Mr. Whitten made a motion to approve #20 with a condition to submit verification of KIBRS compliance. Colonel Jones seconded. Director Thompson asked KGGP staff why the application was identified as incomplete. Ms. Scott informed the Council the applicant did not submit the Executive Summary through the grant portal as required in the application instructions. The Executive Summary was emailed to a KGGP staff member and, should the application be funded, the Subgrantee would be required to upload the Executive Summary to the Grant Portal. The motion passed unanimously.

The Council then discussed the applications within the full/partial category. The following applications were not eligible for BJA funding and did address the strategic plan: #2 Augusta Department of Public Safety; #4 Douglas County Sheriff's Office; #6 The Sexual Trauma and Abuse Care Center; #8 Graham County Sheriff's Office; #10 Gardner Police Department, #19 Marysville Police Department; and #29 Rush County Sheriff's Office. Director Thompson inquired about #29's incomplete application. Ms. Stewart said the Executive Summary was not included. Ms. Maska confirmed there was no intentional disregard for the application process and the KGGP staff would work with the applicant, if funded, to meet all requirements. It was noted that #8 is not KIBRS compliant.

Director Thompson motioned to approve #2 Augusta Department of Public Safety, #4 Douglas County Sheriff's Office, #6 The Sexual Trauma and Abuse Care Center, #8 Graham County Sheriff's Office, #10 Gardner Police Department, #19 Marysville Police Department, and #29

Rush County Sheriff's Office at the recommended amounts. Mr. Whitten seconded this motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Upon request of Mr. Karrer, Ms. Stewart informed the Council approximately \$91,000 remained available to be allocated for pass through funding (county, city government or a non-profit that has a local jurisdiction waiver). After a brief recess, the Council discussed applications that would fit the remaining funds and specific funding silos.

Mr. Whitten asked if #35 Kansas CASA Association met the pass-through criteria. Ms. Stewart said it did not and it is the only remaining unfunded application that does not meet the pass-through criteria.

The Council discussed #18 5th Judicial District Community Corrections, specifically why the application was recommended for denial by one reviewer and an explanation of the application review score of 19/25. Ms. Stewart said this is an agency that has been funded since 2016. Mr. Whitten motioned to approve #18 for the recommended amount and Ms. Smith seconded the motion. Ms. Smith mentioned the request is the same as 2022 request. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Whitten made a motion to approve #3 Coffey County Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$58,000 (the amount of remaining unallocated funds). Ms. Smith seconded the motion. Director Thompson noted the non-compliance reasons for the application submission. The motion and the second were withdrawn and then a motion to approve #3 at \$58,000 with the conditions the agency comes into compliance with KIBRS reporting and submits revised documents as required by the application. Colonel Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

After a short break, Mr. Karrer raised concerns of passing a motion to approve the applications already approved with previous motions. Ms. Maska addressed the Council and explained there may be special conditions that would need to be included when writing the grant assurances and the Council will need a motion to approve the KGGP staff to include any conditions within the award documents. Colonel Jones motioned to approve, and Director Thompson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Stewart then announced the applicants and award amount as approved by the Council as follows:

#2 Augusta Department of Public Safety: \$32,100

#3 Coffey County Sheriff's Office: \$58,000

#4 Douglas County Sheriff's Office: \$37,777

#5 Kansas Holistic Defenders: \$56,947

#6 The Sexual Trauma and Abuse Care Center: \$35,044

#7 Northwest Kansas Community Corrections: \$114,045

#8 Graham County Sheriff's Office: \$103,808

#9 Gray County Sheriff's Office: \$214,223
#10 Gardner Police Department: \$12,876
#12 Merriam Police Department: \$82,500
#14 Spring Hill Police Department: \$30,178
#15 Basehor Police Department: \$83,242
#16 Brothers in Blue Reentry: \$198,749
#18 5th Judicial District Community Corrections: \$43,212
#19 Marysville Police Department: \$46,368
#20 Meade County Sheriff's Office \$80,387
#21 Mitchell County: \$64,193
#24 Council Grove Police Department: \$36,000
#26 Pratt Police Department: \$56,940
#29 Rush County Sheriff's Office: \$136,957
#30 28th Judicial District Community Corrections: \$23,375
#34 Park City Police Department: \$76,800
#36 Kansas Department of Corrections (OVS): \$117,403
#37 Kansas Supreme Court: \$151,886
#38 National Alliance on Mental Health Illness Kansas: \$129,285
#39 Avenue of Life: \$193,536
#41 Village Initiative: \$163,821
Total: \$2,379,652

New Business

None.

Adjournment

At 11:56 a.m. Director Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Colonel Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Sign-In Sheet

KANSAS CRIMINAL JUSTICE COORDINATING COUNCIL
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October 10, 2022

	Name	Agency
1.	Charles Clear, Jr.	Kansas CASA Assoc.
2.	Andrey Cress	KDOC
3.	John Diaz	KCK PD
4.	Angela Garrison	KCK PD
5.	Ed Klondor	KSA KICP KPA
6.	HERMAN T. JONES	KHP
7.	VICTOR Hercules	One Heart project
8.	Brenda Wagemaker	One Heart project.
9.	Levi Blumhans	Reo Co Sheriff
10.	Diane May	Avenue of life
11.	Carl Hughes	Brothers in Blue Peentry
12.	Jeff Zmide	Kansas Department of Corrections
13.	Ana McLane	Avenue of life
14.	Kalyn McLane	Avenue of life
15.	Michelle Callam	28th J.D. Community Correction
16.	Andrew Pellant	28th J.D. Comm. Corr.
17.	Rebekah Gaston	KS Holistic Defenders
18.	Ramona George	TUI
19.	Caitlyn Eakin	Kansas CASA Assoc.
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