

Cass County Local JRAC Council

August 19, 2026 2:00 PM Meeting Agenda

"Coming together to create a collaborative system of care that promotes evidence-based practices and utilizes data analysis to improve criminal justice outcomes in our local community."

Info	In Person	Hartoin
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Council Members have the option of attending in person in the Bicentennial Room of the Cass County Government Building

Call To Order	Hartoin
Roll Call & Consent Agenda	
Meeting Minutes - July 8, 2026	

SCHEDULED TOPICS:

Info/Action	HB 1033 – Local JRAC In-Person Attendance Requirement	Hartoin
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Please be advised that, pursuant to HB 1033, effective July 1, 2026, Local JRAC voting members are required to attend meetings in person.

Info/Action	Opioid Settlement Updates	Hartoin
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The Committee will receive an update regarding notification from the Indiana Attorney General's Office that Cass County will receive an additional distribution of opioid settlement funds related to the Kroger and Walgreens settlements. These funds are in addition to the County's regular opioid settlement distributions and will follow the same protocols and requirements applicable to existing opioid settlement funding.

Info/Action	Follow-up on July 2026 Opioid Settlement Proposals	Hartoin
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The Council will review and make recommendations on the following opioid settlement proposals for the July 2026 review cycle that were tabled and carried over into this meeting.

- Red Ribbon and other Substance Abuse Prevention Activities, LCC --\$6,300
- Stand UP Cass County: Community Prevention and Resiliency Initiative, Youth Services Alliance (on behalf of Stand UP Cass County) --\$5,980

Info/Action	Program Updates	Hartoin
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Each department is expected to present updates on their programs, share relevant data and performance measures, and highlight any recent accomplishments or changes

Info/Action**July 2026 Opioid Settlement Proposals****Hartoin**

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Info/Action**7-OH/Kratom Testing****Hartoin**

We now have the ability through CRL, our drug screen laboratory vendor, to test for 7-OH/Kratom (synthetic 7-hydroxymitragynine).

Noah Shafer, Cass County Prosecutor, advised that after conferring with IPAC, Mitragynine would be considered a synthetic drug under Indiana Code 35-31.5-2-321 and a Schedule I substance under Indiana Code 35-48-2-4(g). Accordingly, his office would prosecute possession as Possession of a Schedule I Controlled Substance. Adding 7-OH/Kratom to our drug screening panels for individuals under community supervision would result in an additional cost of \$25 per test. Given the currently limited prevalence of Kratom use within our community, my recommendation is that we do not add 7-OH/Kratom to our standard testing panels at this time.

However, this should be discussed locally to determine whether there are emerging concerns or trends that would support adding this testing in the future or utilizing the test on a case-by-case basis when there is a specific concern regarding Kratom or 7-OH use.

Info/Action**Subcommittees****Hartoin**

The Committee will revisit the previously approved Community Supervision Standards Subcommittee and coordinate moving the subcommittee's work forward. The subcommittee was established to:

- Review and develop inclusion zone standards for Community Corrections GPS monitoring; and
- Review and develop standardized community supervision forms and court filings across agencies, where practicable.

Subcommittee Members: Judge Lisa Swaim, Noah Schafer, Sheryl Pherson, Ed Schroder, Sean Heishman, Terry Haney, Hillary Hartoin, Will Scott, and Dave Wegner. Discussion: Establish a date and time for the initial subcommittee meeting and identify next steps.

Other Business**Council Comments****Adjourn****Upcoming Meetings/Events**

- October 21, 2026 – 2:00 PM

Respectfully submitted ,

/s/Hillary Hartoin

Hillary Hartoin

Director, Cass County Court Services

JRAC Chair