

JULY 2022 REVIEW

CASS COUNTY COURT & PRETRIAL SERVICES

“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.”

SECOND QUARTER OVERVIEW:

Cass County Court & Pretrial Services continues to see increased growth, illustrated by an 18% increase in clients served in the past year. As of the date of this report, CCCPS has served 155 clients in 2022, 83% of the total population served in 2021. We also are excited to announce that we enrolled our 375th client in June and have enrolled 393 clients in the program since launch in 2018. It is estimated that we will enroll our 400th client by the end of July.

CURRENT OVERVIEW:

Currently, Pretrial Services has 75 active clients, 79 cases, and we served a total of 76 clients in June for a total number of 1,819 days. Our current caseload is 52% felony charged, while 8% of clients are being supervised with the special condition of electronic monitoring. 33 arrestee evaluations and recommendations, with IRAS-PATs, were completed in the past month, and we had 21 new intakes.

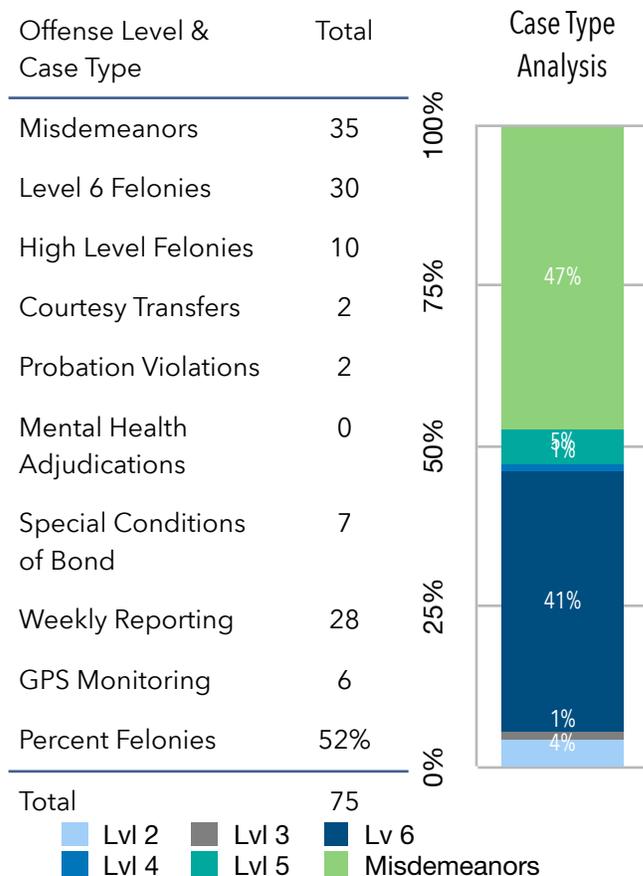
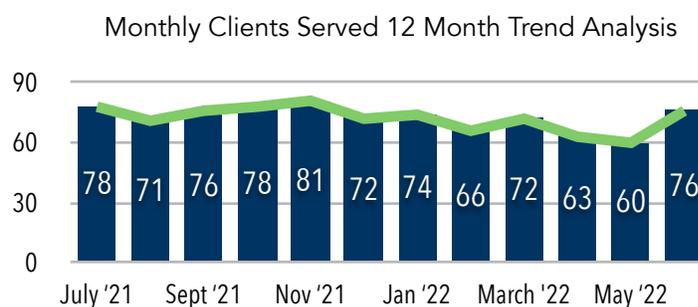
In the past two months the department has seen a sustained increase in evaluations and program participants, with 76 total pretrial recommendations prepared in the past two months, a 105% increase, and 46 new participants in the past two months, a 228% increase. CCCPS had 6 clients successfully complete the program.

COST SAVINGS:

Using the \$40 daily per diem used to house an inmate outside the jail, Pretrial Services is currently diverting \$3,000 daily in county incarceration expenses. As noted previously, we served 76 clients (81 cases) for a total of 1,819 days in June, for an estimated monthly

cost savings of \$72,760. Cass County Court & Pretrial Services has already diverted over \$475,000 in incarceration expenses alone this year.

POPULATION ANALYSIS:

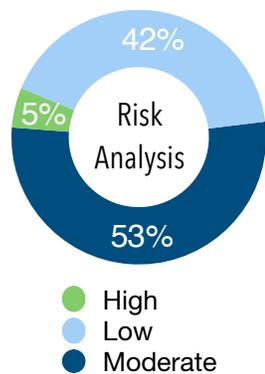


JAIL ANALYSIS:

The July Jail Analysis showed that 18% of inmates are classified as Pre-Adjudication/Pretrial. 53% of the population classified as pre-adjudication have an out-of-county warrant that excludes them from the pretrial release program. We continue to see an increase in arrestees that identify as High Risk on the IRAS-PAT, that have multiple cases resulting in bond revocations or out-of-county warrants, with 31% of inmates with pending causes having multiple cases.

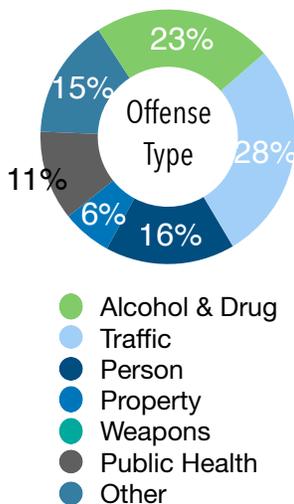
Trends continue to show an increase in inmates identified as High Risk and a 35% increase from July 2021 Jail Analysis, while we see a 29% decrease in inmates identified as Low Risk.

With the new Jail Expansion any population over 307 inmates is considered overcapacity per IDOC standards. Currently, with expansion, the jail is at 71% capacity. It is estimated that without Pretrial Services the jail would already be at 95% capacity with the new expansion, proving the continued need for and relevancy of the program in relation to maintaining the jail population.



RISK & OFFENSE TYPE ANALYSIS :

Risk Analysis:
Trends show that 5% of active clients have been identified through the IRAS-PAT as High Risk, 53% as Moderate Risk, and 42% as Low Risk.



Offense Type Analysis:
Analysis shows that 23% of offenses are drug and alcohol related, 28% are traffic offenses, 16% are crimes against persons, 6% property related, 0% weapon related, 11% public health and admin., and 15% fall into the other category

Supervision Analysis:

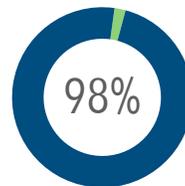
•37% of active participants are being supervised at Level

3 (High) Supervision, with weekly reporting.

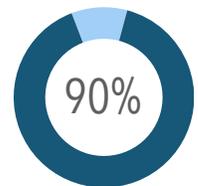
- 21% of active clients have needs where supervised release was in the best interest of the county and the clients, including several clients with chronic illnesses/intellectual disabilities and one terminal illness.
- 6 clients are being supervised with electronic monitoring facilitated by Cass/Pulaski Community Corrections.

PERFORMANCE METRICS:

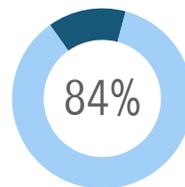
All our performance metrics have remained stable and fall above or within State Standards. Below are our current CY2022 Metrics.



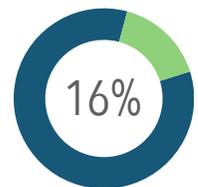
Appearance Rate:
percentage of defendants who attended all court hearings during their pretrial period



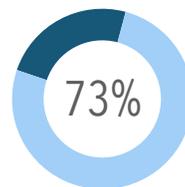
Safety Rate:
the percentage of defendants who were not charged with a new offense during their pretrial period



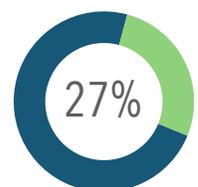
Success Rate:
the percentage of defendants who have not received a violation, FTA, or new offense while under supervision



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



Completion Rate:
the percentage of defendants who remained under supervision until disposition of their case



Voluntary Program Participation Rate: the percentage of defendants participating in voluntary programming and services

GRANT UPDATES:

Court Services was awarded \$139,787.47 in funding via the SIM/Justice Partners Addictions Grant, Court Reform Security Grant and Court Reform Technology Grant for expenditure in CY2022. Below is a summary of said grants and the progress made in regards to their related projects.

SIM/Justice Partners Addictions Grant:

\$60,000 was awarded to fund competency and mental health evaluations, curriculum, training and the virtual therapy computer lab for Community Corrections. We currently have \$20,745.83 left for mental health evaluations and have begun purchasing equipment and curriculum for the computer lab.

Court Reform Security Grant:

In February, the Indiana Office of Court Services awarded Cass County \$37,225 in funding for court house security improvements. Expansion of the Court House Video Surveillance System is 95% complete, with the addition of 20 new security cameras. The new Cass County Duress System is 80% complete and all county government offices, including off-site offices, such as juvenile and adult probation, community corrections, and the health department, now have individual duress buttons and are included in the mass alert system.

Court Technology Grant:

In May, the Indiana Office of Court Services awarded Cass County an additional \$42,562.47 in funding for five Interactive SmartScreen Kiosks to be placed on each floor of the Court House. Each 43" SmartScreen will be placed close to each elevator for the public to use. Each Department can upload documents, public notices, contact information, hours of operations, frequently asked questions, etc.



If you have an idea or request that you would like included please email Hillary Hartoin and CJ Gilsinger at smartscreens@co.cass.in.us. It is estimated that this project will be completed by the end of August.

CASS COUNTY LOCAL JRAC:

The Cass County JRAC Council's next scheduled meeting is July 27, 2022. This will kick-off the Council's Summer Sessions. The Council will continue focusing on mental health needs in the criminal justice system and development of community supervision performance metrics. The Council also has selected members to attend the Indiana Supreme Court's 2022 Mental Health Summit in October.

CROSS-BRANCH EFFORT

2022 Mental Health Summit




Save the date
October 21, 2022
8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.
Indiana Convention Center

Nominate
your local team
on.in.gov/mhs22-team

NOTABLE UPDATES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

“Cass County Pretrial Services continues to see sustained growth enrolling their 375th participant in June, while ensuring public safety with a 98% Appearance Rate and a 90% Safety Rate, while achieving program goals, such as obtaining State Certification earlier this year.”

- In May, CCCPS submitted their CY2023 IDOC Grant Application. Award Announcements are expected this month on July 22, 2022.
- Both the Director and Pretrial Case Manager completed Jail Classification Training from the National Institute of Corrections.
- Pretrial Services continues to work with Community Corrections on SEA 9 and Russell v. State policy.

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