

Shelby County Community Corrections Advisory Board
2021 Annual Report

Shelby County Community Corrections provides effective community-based cost-efficient alternative sentencing options for local participants.

Currently, Shelby County Community Corrections offers the following programming options:

Adult Post-Trial Supervision Programs

- Home Detention
- Electronic Monitoring
- Community Transition Program
- Forensic Diversion
- Community Service
- Road Crew

Adult Pre-trial Programs

- Pre-trial Basic Supervision
- Pre-trial Moderate Supervision
- Pre-trial Enhanced Supervision
- Pre-trial Adult Day Reporting Treatment Program

Adult Collaborative Supervision Programs

- Shelby County Jail Intervention Program – Shelby County Probation and the Shelby County Criminal Justice Center
- Sex Offender Management Program – with Shelby County Probation
- Recovery Support Program – with Shelby County Probation
- Vivitrol Program – with Shelby County Probation

Juvenile Programs-Collaborative with Shelby County Probation

- Juvenile Assessment and Guidance
- Juvenile Home Detention
- Community Service-Learning Project
- Restorative Justice
- Re-entry
- Why Try
- Botvin Life Skills

Shelby County Community Corrections receives grant funding through the Department of Corrections for Adult Home Detention, Adult Day Reporting, Community Transition Program, Forensic Diversion, Sex Offender Management Program, Jail Intervention Program, Recovery Support Program, Juvenile Assessment and Guidance, Juvenile Home Detention and Restorative Justice.

In 2021, Shelby County Community Corrections received additional grant funding in the form of the Juvenile Discretionary Grant, the IPEP Safety Grant, and a grant from the Blue River Foundation. The Juvenile Discretionary Grant totaled \$25,000 and will be used in the areas of youth transportation, education, and resources. One major component of the grant is to sponsor at risk youth in extra-curricular activities such as band, culinary classes, art, and sports. Another component of the grant is to assist youth with driver's education and license costs. The IPEP safety grant will allow us to purchase bullet proof vests and stick proof gloves for all our staff members to use while out in the field. Our Blue River Foundation funding allowed us to update our group room for the new classes now utilizing the space.

Shelby County Community Corrections collaborates with Shelby County Probation by meeting every two weeks to check in on various collaborative projects and address issues that arise. We have internal classes offered to participants such as MRT and Moving On. For 2022, all Probation and Community Corrections will participate together in quarterly meetings. These meetings will offer an opportunity for staff to receive updates from the Chief Probation Officer, Programs Director, and Executive Director regarding overlapping programs and services. Another element of these meetings will be to bring in our service partners to provide updates and training. Shelby County Community Corrections also collaborates with the Shelby County Courts, the Shelby County Prosecutor's Office, the Shelby County Public Defender's Office, and the Shelby County Criminal Justice Center.

Additionally, Shelby County Community Corrections will continue building collaborative relationships with the recovery homes in the area through the Recovery Support Program. In October of 2020, this Advisory Board voted to approve the program in an effort to assist those participants involved in the criminal justice system with a recovery centered supervision option. One of the stipulations of that program was for all participating staff

members from Probation, Community Corrections, and the Recovery Homes to meet quarterly. These meetings have provided an opportunity to build relationships while strengthening the Recovery Support Program. In 2021, this supervision program expanded to outside of Shelby County to include recovery homes in donut county areas.

Another collaborative program is the Shelby County Jail Intervention Program. This is a multi-faceted recovery program focusing on engagement, stabilization, treatment and continuing care. The MRT instructor teaches all jail participants cognitive thinking skills. Participants spend 90 days in jail and 90-180 days out of jail on this intensive supervision program. This program is both court-ordered programming and current-sentence sanctioning. Participants that complete the program successfully attend a graduation ceremony in court with the assigned Judge and Prosecutor for their case. The successful participants also receive a framed certificate of completion in the sentencing court and often will speak to the next group of participants in an effort of motivating them towards success.

The Adult Road Crew was brought back over the summer of 2020 as a court alternative sanctioning tool for participants on home detention. The projects are coordinated with local government and non-profit organizations and are designed to instill a level of community connection and civic pride for participants who are struggling to maintain compliance with supervision. These projects have been successful in motivating offenders to change and increase pro-social engagement with Community Corrections staff.

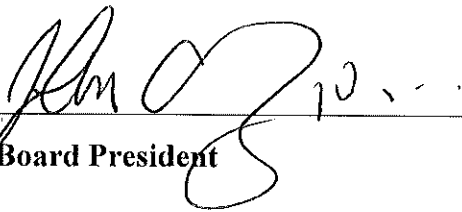
In 2021, Shelby County Community Corrections began partnerships with several like-minded agencies with the goal of providing a greater number of resources to all supervision participants. One of these relationships that's been developed is an employment program for unemployed or underemployed participants with Park 100 Foods. Park 100 Foods hires our participants full-time at \$17.00/hourly and will transport the participants to and from work every day. Another employment focused partnership was developed with Unite Indy and the Shelby County Chamber of Commerce. This program offers the Jobs for Life curriculum to participants and assigns them a mentor to walk through the program with them for up to a year. Mentors are volunteers from local churches who assist with motivating participants or be a sounding board for them. Mentors also aid with the furthering of job skills as well as life skills.

Shelby County Community Corrections has also partnered with the Indianapolis Counseling Center to offer substance abuse classes, batterers intervention classes, and sex offender management classes for participants out of our building. This relationship has allowed all criminal justice affected persons in Shelby County a greater access to resources in a convenient location. At the end of 2021, Shelby County Community Corrections began working with Community Health Network to develop a mental health specific program for our participants. This program will roll out in early 2022 and seeks to speed up the referral process from sentencing to intake for participants so that they can gain access to mental health resources quickly.

It is the focus of the advisory board and the agency to ensure all staff members are receiving continuous training in evidence-based practices each month with the goal of reducing recidivism and increasing community safety. In 2021, all staff saw an increase in the amount of training hours they were previously required for a year. Staff training has broadened to areas such as diversity, safety, mental health and wellness, and areas outside of past norms for each position. For example, field officers are being trained in all evidence-based practices such as Carey Guides and Bits with case managers and case managers are attending training to increase their field awareness and safety. The Community Corrections Advisory Board would recommend the continued support and growth of all current programs.

Advisory Board President

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Date