

The 2023 Lake County Criminal Justice Comprehensive Plan

The 2023 Lake County Criminal Justice Comprehensive Plan represents a normative, descriptive evaluation of the Lake County criminal justice system. The objective of the plan is to statistically outline the function of each criminal justice component regarding the processing and sanctioning of offenders. The main components covered in the plan include felony courts, the Lake County Adult Detention Facility, and the felony probation department.

The Ohio Bureau of Community Sanctions mandates that the comprehensive plan includes two sections detailing the County's efforts to build a sound community-based corrections program:

1. Achieving State-Wide Goals - summarizes the County's efforts to reduce prison and jail commitments by improving the local corrections programs.
2. The Continuum of Sanctions – presents the range of dispositional options currently available in the County.

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Achieving State-Wide Goals

Felony goals as required by the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction (ODRC) for all Community Corrections Act (CCA) grants

General Goals - These goals are required goals for all CCA 2.0 grants.

Felony Goals - These goals are required for organizations serving felony level clients.

Optional Goal - The organization must indicate if it will participate in this optional goal (Judicial Release).

General Goals

General Goal #1: Success Rate

The Grantee's success rate will be equal to or exceed **50%** for individuals terminated from the organization during the grant performance period.

The success rate will be based on cases entered in Community Corrections Information System (CCIS-Web).

General Goal #2: Projected Admission Number

The Grantee's admissions rate will be equal to or exceed **95%** of the projected admissions by the organization in their grant application during the grant performance period.

The admissions rate will be based on cases entered in the 900 and 950 CCIS-Web codes.

General Goal #3: Bureau of Community Sanctions (BCS) Performance Standards

The Grantee's biennial program review compliance rate will be equal to or exceed **60%** for applicable Bureau of Community Sanctions (BCS) Performance Standards during the grant performance period.

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Felony Goals

Felony Goal #1: Prison/ODRC 3-year Average of Commitments

The Grantee's total number of Felony (F4/F5) Non-Violent/Non-Sex Offender commitments to prison/ODRC during the grant performance period will be less than or equal to the county's 3-year average for F4/F5 Non-Violent/Non-Sex Offender commitments to prison/ODRC. The county's 3-year average is based upon FY18, FY19 and FY22 data.

3-Year County F4/F5 NV/NSO Average *

Grant Goal - To Maintain or Reduce the Average Below

Felony Goal #2: Prison/ODRC County Commitment Rate

The Grantee's Felony (F4/F5) Non-Violent/Non-Sex Offender county commitment percentage rate to prison/ODRC will be less than or equal to their prior percentage rate (3-year period FY18, FY19, FY22) during the grant performance period. The Grantee's prior percentage rate is calculated by taking the total number of Felony (F4/F5) Non-Violent/Non-Sex Offender commitments divided by the county's total number of case dispositions during those three years.

Total Number of F4/F5 NV/NSO County Commitments *

Total Number County Dispositions *

Grant Goal - Maintain or Reduce Rate Below %

Felony Goal #3: Prison/ODRC Cohort Commitment Rate

The Grantee's County Felony (F4/F5) Non-Violent/Non-Sex Offender commitment percentage rate will be less than or equal to their cohort's commitment percentage rate (3-year period FY18, FY19, FY22) for Felony (F4/F5) Non-Violent/Non-Sex Offender during the grant performance period. Each county will be in one of 5 cohorts determined by population size using the 2020 census. A cohort's percentage rate is calculated by taking the total number of Felony (F4/F5) Non-Violent/Non-Sex Offender commitments for all cohort counties divided by the cohort's total number of case dispositions during the grant performance period.

Total Number of F4/F5 NV/NSO Cohort Commitments *

Total Number Cohort Dispositions *

Grant Goal - Maintain or Reduce Rate Below %

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Felony Goal #4: Community Control Violators (CCVs)

The Grantee's total number of felony Community Control Violators (CCVs) sent to prison/ODRC will be less than or equal to the county's 3-year average number of CCVs sent to prison/ODRC during the grant performance period. The county's 3-year average is based upon FY18, FY19 and FY22 data.

3-Year County CCV Average

23 *

Grant Goal - Maintain or Reduce CCV Rate Below

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Felony Goal #5: Community Control Violators - Cohort Avg (CCVs)

The Grantee's total number of Felony Community Control Violators (CCVs) sent to prison/ODRC will be less than or equal to their cohorts 3-year average (FY18, FY19, & FY22) of Felony CCVs sent to prison/ODRC during the grant performance period. Each county will be in a cohort as determined by population size using the 2020 census.

3-year Cohort CCV Average

22 *

Grant Goal - Maintain or Reduce Below

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Optional Felony Goal

Felony Goal #6: OPTIONAL - Judicial Releases

The Grantee will increase the number of Judicial Release cases from the county by 3% or more during the grant performance period.

Yes, we will participate.

No, we will not participate.

Prior 2-Year Number of Judicial Releases

19 *

Grant Goal - Judicial Releases to meet or exceed

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DRC Felony Commitment Data- Counties NOT Participating in T-CAP Grant

Total County Population	FY 18 F4/5 NV/NSO Commits to DRC	FY 19 F4/5 NV/NSO Commits to DRC	FY 22 F4/5 NV/NSO Commits to DRC	3-Year total F4/5 NV/NSO Commits to DRC	3-Year Average F4/5 NV/NSO Commits to DRC	3-Year total F4/5 NV/NSO Commits to DRC	Percentage Rate Commits to Disposition
229,775	174	165	148	487	162	2,007	24.27%

Grant goal #1: to be equal or less than the 3-year average F4/F5 NV/NSO commits to DRC 162.

Grant Goal #2: to be equal or less than the percentage rate Commits to dispositions 24.27% (total number of F4/F5 commits divided by the Count's total number of case dispositions)

Felony Community Control Violators Data (PV to Prison)

Total County Population	FY 18 CCVS to DRC	FY 19 CCVS to DRC	FY 22 CCVS to DRC	3-Year Total CCVS to DRC	3-Year Annual Average CCVS to DRC
229,755	19	24	25	68	23

Grant goal: to be equal or less than the 3-year average Community Control Violators commits to DRC 23

Judicial Release

Prior 2 years the number of Judicial Release granted by Lake County was 19.

Grant Goal: to meet or exceed 20 Judicial Releases during the 2-year grant.

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The Continuum of Sanctions

How to meet these goals without jeopardizing the integrity of the criminal justice system while addressing the needs of the offender and providing public safety:

Demonstrate that the Lake County Community Corrections Planning Board will unify and coordinate services with available resources in the community.

The Lake County Adult Detention Facility has joined with community partners to provide needed services for incarcerated offenders. Currently Crossroads Health is providing services for the needs of inmates which include mental health and drug abuse services. Other valuable services such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, men and women's bible study, non-denominational church services, catholic church services, library services, GED programming, men's A.A. recovery programming, Easter programs, Stations of the Cross Easter Celebration, Christmas programs, sacrament of Reconciliation, and Women in Transition Through Support (W.I.T.T.S.) are available to offenders. For non-incarcerated offenders, we utilize the Lake County ADAMHS Board funded programs geared toward substance abuse, mental health, residential treatment, and sober living. For higher risk individuals, we have the ability to utilize N.E.O.C.A.P. for both males and females. All of these programs collaborate with one another to provide the best level of care for offenders.

Programs address the identified needs of those they serve, particularly high-risk offenders, as indicated through the Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS).

All courts will utilize the Ohio Risk Assessment System to assess the risks and needs of offenders. In conjunction with ORAS, we utilize other assessment tools such as the SASSI, M-FAST, TOMM, SIRS, and IQ test. Agencies within the community utilize these tools to improve consistency between courts and to facilitate communication to ensure all needs are being met.

Funds are being expended in a good faith effort to improve the quality and efficiency of the community corrections programs.

The Lake County Correction Planning Board utilized grant funds to reduce the prison and jail population for those who can be better served in the community. Additionally, the funds provided needed services for those who are on community control. Grant funded programs have the ability to fast track offenders into much needed services. When an incarcerated offender enters and completes the Jail Treatment Program, they are placed in continued care upon release, thus eliminating the need to re-assess individuals. Lake County corrections programs strive to provide the best level of care and ensure services are readily available. We are fortunate that the Lake County ADAMHS Board is very progressive in their funding to the criminal justice community. One of the biggest hurdles that we face is funding for non-county residents. Over 52% of the crimes in Lake County last year were committed by non-residents and the Community Correction Act grants relieved some of the financial burden for the cost of services.

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Services provided by organizations in the community are unified and/or coordinate to the greatest extent possible.

The Lake County Correction Planning Board has a strong relationship with the Lake County ADAMHS Board and has partnered with agencies in the community to provide services for offenders. Crossroads Health provides substance abuse counseling, mental health treatment, psychiatric services, and detox services for incarcerated offenders. They make referrals to various agencies in the community that will benefit the offender and link them with services based on their risk and needs. Agencies in the community coordinate services with offenders that best suit their needs and provide offenders the opportunity to succeed. For example, The Lake Geauga Center operates numerous residential treatment facilities and collaborates with Crossroads Health to provide psychiatric services to offenders within the treatment facilities.

The Lake County Correction Board supports the efforts of the Courts to reduce the number of individuals incarcerated in local and state facilities.

The Lake County Corrections Board recognizes the need to utilize treatment and correction services in the community. We understand that services in prison are limited due to population size and that offenders have better responsivity while attending services in their community. We also understand that it often takes multiple attempts to achieve productive responsivity. Responsivity is more likely to occur when multiple levels of service are available within the community. However, with that said, we understand that we must maintain the fidelity of programs and the need to be mindful of when an offender is ready for change. We utilize programs in the community based on the offender's risk score and gender.

The Lake County Corrections Board supports their CBCF program called NEOCAP.

The Lake County Corrections Board utilizes NEOCAP for cognitive based therapy as well as substance abuse treatment. High risk offenders are typically less likely and/or willing to change their behaviors, primarily based on thinking errors. The Thinking for Change program at NEOCAP provides offenders the opportunity to identify and examine the thinking and decision-making patterns that have contributed to their contact with the criminal justice system. NEOCAP also provides substance abuse programs for both males and females who are high risk offenders.

A Continuum of Sanctions will continue to be utilized by the Courts for probation violations. The Adult Probation Department utilizes Review Board Hearings as a method of a continuum of sanctions and the Courts utilize programing to deliver a higher level of care as well as relapse programs. This will need to be a key component in order to achieve our State goals to reduce the prison populations on probation violators.