

2009 Criminal Justice/Juvenile Justice Subcommittee Objectives

Objective #1:

Continue to facilitate interaction between county drug courts and county/municipal alliances to promote utilization of the alliance community's substance abuse prevention services by drug court participants and their families.

Strategies:

- Organize forums bringing together representatives of drug courts and county/municipal alliances for the remaining vicinages/counties that have not yet held meetings.

Objective #2:

To increase the knowledge of criminal and juvenile justice officials, treatment providers, legislators, social service and mental health professionals on the impact of substance abuse on the criminal and juvenile offender population.

Strategies:

- Provide support and sponsor training with Greater Newark Safer Cities Initiative (GNSCI) and Greater Camden Safer Cities Initiative (GCSCI).
- Through invitation allow various state and community agencies, and other organizations with an interest to attend the criminal justice/juvenile justice subcommittee meetings to present an overview of their respective duties and responsibilities relative to alcohol and drug addiction prevention and treatment.

Objective #3:

Work with GCADA's ad hoc committee on veterans and military families on raising awareness in the criminal justice and juvenile justice field of the unique challenges and impacts of substance abuse faced by veterans and their families. Educate policy makers on the services available to veterans and military families.

Strategies:

- Assist in identifying appropriate agencies and officials in the criminal justice and juvenile justice field to receive veteran's service directory compiled by GCADA's ad hoc committee on veterans and military families.

Objective #4:

Support coordination and collaboration to promote the crime prevention and reentry components of Governor Corzine's "Safe Streets" initiative.

Strategies:

- Identify those community resources throughout New Jersey that provide re-entry services for correctional offenders. Determine by networking, research and

informational presentations, the methods and procedures necessary for accessing employment, housing, medical care and education/vocational training opportunities.

- Assist in organizing a forum bringing together representatives from the juvenile justice commission, youth services commissions and county/municipal alliances to further the implementation of the crime prevention and reentry components of the initiative.