

2020

Larimer County Community Corrections Annual Report



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MISSION

Larimer County Community Corrections is committed to community safety & client accountability, providing innovative services, assessing risks & needs, and empowering clients to take responsibility. We promote positive choices and internal change, resulting in reduced recidivism.

VISION

Larimer County Community Corrections is a professional environment where all individuals are treated with fairness, dignity, and respect. We strive to promote self-improvement by reinforcing positive behavior, accomplishments, and accountability. We are committed to fostering a sense of cohesiveness, trust, and collaboration throughout the department and our partnerships with the community.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

The year 2020 was extremely challenging on the part of clients and our staff. From early 2020 we were consumed by the worldwide pandemic which caused disruption in every section of our department. In mid-March it became necessary to shut down all client movement into our community due to the risk factors presented by COVID-19. As essential workers, staff were required to continue working on site to manage our 24/7 operations. Despite heightened concerns for their own safety and the safety of their loved ones, staff kept client safety a high priority every day they came to work.

Regardless of the impacts of COVID-19, we were able to open our Loveland satellite office at the Police and Courts building. Our expanded services include the Alternatives to Incarceration for Individuals with Mental health needs (AIIM) and the Loveland Day Reporting Center. In addition to serving clients in the AIIM program, the Day Reporting Center provides drug/alcohol testing to all collateral agencies, including state probation which is located in the same building. These additional services improve client access and compliance to their conditions of supervision in and around the Loveland area.

The staff of our department recognize and appreciate the ongoing support we receive year after year by our County Commissioners, our local Community Corrections Board, and our 8th District Court Judges. We value the trust placed upon us in managing client behavior and providing support and accountability of supervision.

Staff of our department would like to send a special thank you to our Criminal Justice Services staff and our Alternative Sentencing Department employees for the ongoing collaboration and support in our overall daily operations.

Looking forward into 2021, we will continue to hold public safety as our paramount mission while maintaining our commitment to provide excellent services to the individuals in the Criminal Justice System.



Sincerely,

Tim Hand, Director

ABOUT COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS

Community Corrections provides a sentencing or placement alternative, in lieu of prison incarceration, for people with felony convictions. Participating in a community corrections program requires the client to work on behavior modification, while allowing some restricted privileges and access the community. As designated under Colorado statute, Community Corrections works to reintegrate our clients into the local community, providing services that include individual and group counseling, life skills training, financial planning and management, and crisis intervention.

Who is in Community Corrections?

In 2020, Community Corrections served 1,125 clients total. The average daily population was reduced by approximately one third to 258 to manage proper social distancing, and made up of the following types of clients on average:



75.5% Diversion: these clients are sentenced directly to community corrections by the courts as an alternative to a sentence to the Department of Corrections.



12.4% Transition: Department of Corrections (DOC) inmates that are transitioning from prison to the community via a residential facility before release on Parole. A transition through community corrections allows these clients to gain stability in obtaining employment beginning treatment, and finding affordable and stable housing, both reducing parole violations and enhancing community safety.



3.8% Parole: Parole clients may be placed into the residential facility due to technical violations of parole conditions, homelessness, or as transitional housing while they gain stability.



2.7% SOISP: Sex Offender Intensive Supervision Probation clients may be sentenced to a residential placement in community corrections as a condition of their Intensive Probation requirements.



0.3% Federal: Clients supervised by Federal Pretrial may be placed in the residential facility for enhanced supervision and stability.



5.4% Probation: Clients on probation in the community may be referred by their probation officer for a residential placement due to probation violations, treatment, or to stabilize the client on a short-term basis.

Male Clients

82.14% of the LCCC population
Average Age – 37.09

0% Asian/Native Hawaiian
5.78% Black/African American
4.76% Hispanic/Latino
2.55% Native American/Alaskan Native
71.93% White/Caucasian
14.96% Other



Female Clients

17.86% of the LCCC population
Average Age – 35.38

0% Asian/Native Hawaiian
5.47% Black/African American
5.97% Hispanic/Latino
1.99% Native American/Alaskan
67.16% White/Caucasian
19.40% Other



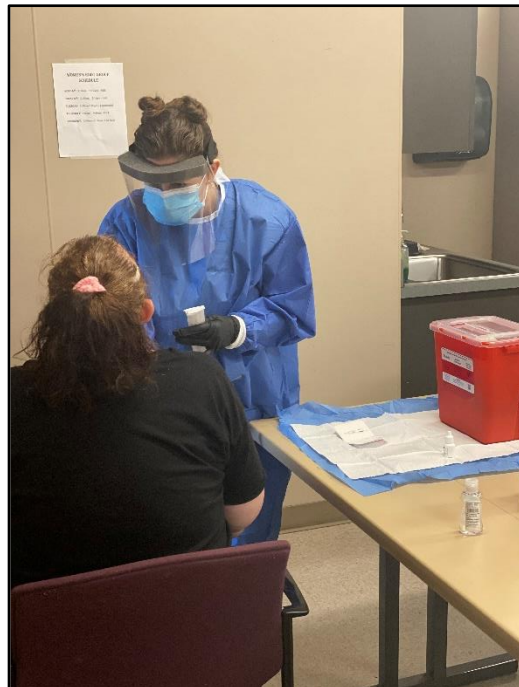
PANDEMIC OPERATIONS



Since the beginning of the COVID-19 health crisis in our community, we have worked closely with the Larimer County Department of Health and Environment and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment on COVID-19 management plans geared toward the very unique challenges that Community Corrections facilities present. Our approach incorporated components of education, passive monitoring, active monitoring, COVID-19 testing, proper positive COVID-19 case response and management, and communication and transparency.

Education	Passive Monitoring
Proper hand washing technique Social distancing guidelines Proper mask wearing technique	Daily symptom surveys Designating client cohorts Increased facility cleaning and sanitization
Active Monitoring	Testing
Daily temperature checks Visual symptom monitoring during daily interactions Quarantine of new intakes Rapid COVID testing of symptomatic individuals	Weekly surveillance testing Intake testing Testing of symptomatic individuals
Positive COVID-19 Case Response & Management	Transparency
Early positive COVID case detection Isolation of actively infectious COVID cases Contact tracing Quarantine of exposed individuals	Communication and collaboration with local and state health departments, collateral agencies, and stakeholders

Although this has been a challenging year, we have worked diligently to continue to find creative ways to provide services to the Community Corrections population as the guidelines, risk level, and resource availability has changed. We are committed to continuing to provide services in a safe, healthy, and responsibly managed environment.



DAY REPORTING CENTER

The Day Reporting Center continued to provide testing services during COVID-19 through modified procedures and hours of operation during April and May of 2020. By June DRC had returned to all normal hours and closed only on Thanksgiving and Christmas day. DRC provides testing services in Ft Collins from 10:00am-6:45pm seven days a week with both male and female staff present for all shifts to ensure testing is monitored and follows legal requirements. In 2020, a Day Reporting Center opened an office in the Loveland Police and Courts building to accommodate a larger clientele base. We are looking forward to our Loveland office expanding its hours in 2021.



LOVELAND CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES ENTRANCE



LOVELAND LOBBY

2020 DRC STATS

Breathalyzer (BA): A breath test for evidence of alcohol consumption. DRC completed just under 7,052 breathalyzer tests in 2020

Urinalysis (UA): A urine test that detects recent use of several different drugs. DRC completed over 28,473 UA tests in 2020

Oral Swabs: An oral swab test is a noninvasive test performed by collecting saliva for all types of substances. DRC completed over 600 tests in 2020

The Day Reporting Center administers many types of substance tests, including lab or instant urinalysis, hair testing, oral fluid swabs, and breathalyzers. In 2020, DRC served over 3,800 individuals from over 60 local agencies and performed over 38,000 tests.

TRANSPORTATION

2020 proved to be a challenging year after the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. In March 2020, routine business procedures associated with the Juvenile Justice Services (JJS) in Larimer County and the Department of Human Services (DHS) were modified to meet local health guidelines. The Community Corrections Transport Unit (CCTU) worked collaboratively with DHS to provide 24/7 onsite coverage in continuance of service to our local law enforcement agencies, ensuring continuity of screening protocols for the juvenile population, and access to the HUB for other at-risk youth.

Hub activity events serviced 376 juveniles with 128 emergency trips to secure detention and subsequent court trips for the 8th Judicial District. In total, 600 juveniles were serviced resulting in 2,529 staff hours.

Our service to the Community Corrections and the Alternative Sentencing programs increased dramatically in support of residential, treatment, non-residential and transitional programs. During the peak of the pandemic, CCTU conducted 95% of the 411 medical trips for clients with no community access due to facility lockdown. CCTU monitored clients on site while in the community to ensure established guidelines were followed as directed by the Larimer County Health Department. In total, 1,657 offenders were served culminating in 1096.75 staff hours. In addition to the transport operations, CCTU assisted department staff with substance testing and other routine administrative functions to meet criminal justice standards and effect consistent functionality.



EVALUATIONS

The Evaluations Unit is responsible for screening clients who may be sentenced to, or placed in, the Community Corrections Residential Facility. Most referrals are received directly from the courts after a client has pled guilty or been found guilty by jury trial for a felony offense. Our agency also receives referrals from outside agencies, such as the Department of Corrections or Probation.

The screening process entails conducting a 1:1 interview with the client where information is gathered about their current and past offenses, history of sentences by the court, prior supervisions, mental health and substance abuse issues, and social history. This interview affords the client an opportunity to tell their story and provide details about their life experiences. A client who is willing to be open and honest during the interview process will provide staff with the information needed to appropriately assess their programming and supervision needs. Clients with more serious offenses, or other factors deemed as higher risk for community supervision may be subject to further review by the Larimer County Community Corrections Advisory Board, who makes the final decision regarding program acceptance. The acceptance or denial of any client during the screening process is based on a multitude of factors. A client being successful in our program hinges on their acceptance of responsibility for their decisions and their motivation to make positive changes in their life.

Community Corrections Advisory Board

The Community Corrections Advisory Board is a 22-member board that oversees program operations and serves as the governing body with final review of all community corrections referrals. The board meets to review cases on a weekly basis, as well as holds a monthly administrative meeting to discuss changes and updates within the program.

2020 Evaluation Statistics

Referral Type	Screened	Accepted	Accept Rate
Diversion	567	449	79%
Parole/Probation/SOISP	38	29	76%
Diversion – Out of County	24	19	79%
Transition – Primary	167	77	46%
Transition – Alternate	157	41	26%
Federal	5	4	80%
Total	958	619	65%

Evaluations and COVID-19

Covid-19's biggest impact on the Evaluations Unit was losing our ability to conduct in-person interviews. Meeting with our clients in-person assist us in building rapport and obtaining documentation needed to appropriately assess for treatment, should they be sentenced to our program. Fortunately, we were able to delay moving to phone only interviews for as long as possible with the installment of Plexiglass and use of face masks and social distancing. This pandemic has greatly affected the clients we evaluate, and we witnessed the increase in substance abuse, mental health symptoms, instability in the community, and lack of community resources- including treatment options. Despite a short period of full facility lockdown with no incoming movement to prevent the virus entering our program, our unit has been able to continue to screen and arrange entries. Our waitlists have remained short and we have also been able to transition clients from the Department of Corrections into our program, providing a step down in supervision and access to programming to assist with a healthy transition back into the community.

2020 also brought on the retirement of Evaluations Supervisor, Beth Corbitt. She worked at Larimer County Community Corrections for twenty-nine years and was a huge asset to the Evaluations Unit. She is enjoying retirement and has many travel plans in her future!



RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM

The Residential Program provides accountability, stability, and structure for the resident population and enhances community safety. The security staff at Community Corrections work shifts to ensure 24/7 operations and are committed to creating a safe place for clients to implement change while also concentrating on public safety. The program provides clients with the opportunity to maintain or re-establish family, treatment, and employment ties in Larimer County. Upon entering the Residential Program, each client is assigned a Case Manager who works directly with them to develop a supervision plan that addresses their risk/needs and assists them in moving successfully through the program.



Beginning in March 2020 and throughout the remainder of the year, much of the residential program's focus centered around Covid-19. Working under Larimer County Health Department guidelines, staff and clients continually and diligently changed program processes and facility schedules to comply with CDC recommendations. Both residents and staff adjusted to these challenges through daily Covid-19 symptom surveys and temperature checks, mask wearing, as well as increased hygiene measures. Social distancing requirements for congregate living were achieved through new facility schedules that limited interactions between community access and building restricted clients.

As we phased back into more normal operations in late spring, clients returned to work and slowly resumed day to day activities. Clients in the community are monitored by the Security staff on a weekly basis as they work and gain employment skills, take personal approved pass time, build savings, pay restitution, and participate in counseling or educational groups that are targeted to help them safely transition back into the community under decreased supervision. Throughout their program, clients learn and develop prosocial behaviors that foster positive traits such as accountability, empathy, and personal responsibility. By gaining employment skills, attending drug and mental health treatment, counseling and maintaining full time employment, clients work their way through the program by moving up levels and gaining increased personal privileges such as community pass time.



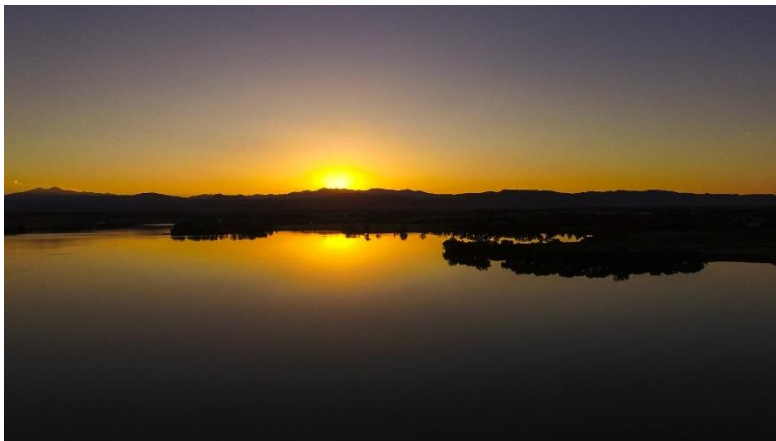
Pro-social activities inside and outside of the facility included client and staff barbeques in April due to limited community access for the residents and the back-to-school backpack program and Toys for Tots for the client's children. The facility garden continued to produce healthy vegetables but due to the need to limit community contact we were not able to hold our Farmer's Market fundraiser during the early fall months. Throughout a challenging 2020, staff in the security and case management sections have continued to work closely with the residential and treatment clients on a personal level in order to promote prosocial choices and legitimate change with the long-term goal of positive outcomes and reduced recidivism. This ultimately leads to increased community safety in Larimer County.

VICTIM SERVICES

Victims have the right to be treated with fairness, dignity and respect throughout the criminal justice process. Larimer County Community Corrections recognizes that victims of crime, their families and communities are important recipients of our services. As a victim or member of the victim's family, your rights are guaranteed by the Colorado Constitution. Too often, people feel victimized by the criminal defendant and the legal system does not make sense. Assisting victims in understanding their rights and helping them exercise these rights is a top priority. Our goal is to make sure that victims of crime are treated with fairness and compassion throughout the Community Corrections process. Larimer County Community Corrections provides the opportunity for victims of those under our supervision to have a voice through the implementation of the Victim Rights Amendment (VRA) in several ways.

The Victim Services Advocate:

- Assists victims of crimes committed by individuals in our custody. For victims, input into our selections process is gathered, direct services as needed and they have the right to be notified of the changes in the status of offenders placed in correctional facilities that effect the ability of the offender to move about the community
- All victims of VRA crimes are provided the opportunity to provide input into the evaluation of offenders that are being screened for placement in LCCC and to receive assistance and referral to community resources. Victim input is a critical part of the evaluation process
- Provides direct services to individuals in our custody that become victims of or witnesses to serious crime while under our supervision
- Provides direct services to individuals in our custody that are secondary victims of crime (a significant other, child or parent falls victim to crime)
- Is a subject matter expert in implementing policies related to victimization, providing a direct response to victims, educating staff, and screening offenders to promote a culture of zero tolerance for sexual abuse in a confinement facility (The Federal Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)).



2020 VICTIM SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS

- Served 1017 victims in 777 cases through personal contact with the victims starting in the evaluation process moving into notification of critical status changes and providing support and advocacy with those victims
- Implemented HB19-1064 which eliminated the requirement for victims to have to opt in for notification. This law automatically requires notification unless the victim specifically asks not to be notified.
- Supported victims the district attorney's office providing support to clients residing in Community Corrections that have also been victims of crime and witnesses to crime testify at trial.
- Made multiple process improvements to better serve victims and satisfy VRA requirements



EMPLOYMENT SERVICES



Prior to the pandemic, Employment Services through Larimer County Community Corrections was primarily focused as a supportive service to residential clients, assisting them with coaching, job readiness classes, individual assessments, and other tools for gaining employment. Through these services 85 % of clients maintained either full-time or part-time employment.

In response to the COVID-19 epidemic which started in late March of 2020, Larimer County Community Corrections was required by the Larimer County Health Department to restrict all clients to campus due to a positive COVID test. Employment Services informed all employers of the fact that clients would temporarily not be able to leave campus for employment. The changes were implemented to secure both community and residential client safety while continuing community partnerships. The Employment Specialist continually communicated with all employers to inform them of what our current status in regard to client employment.

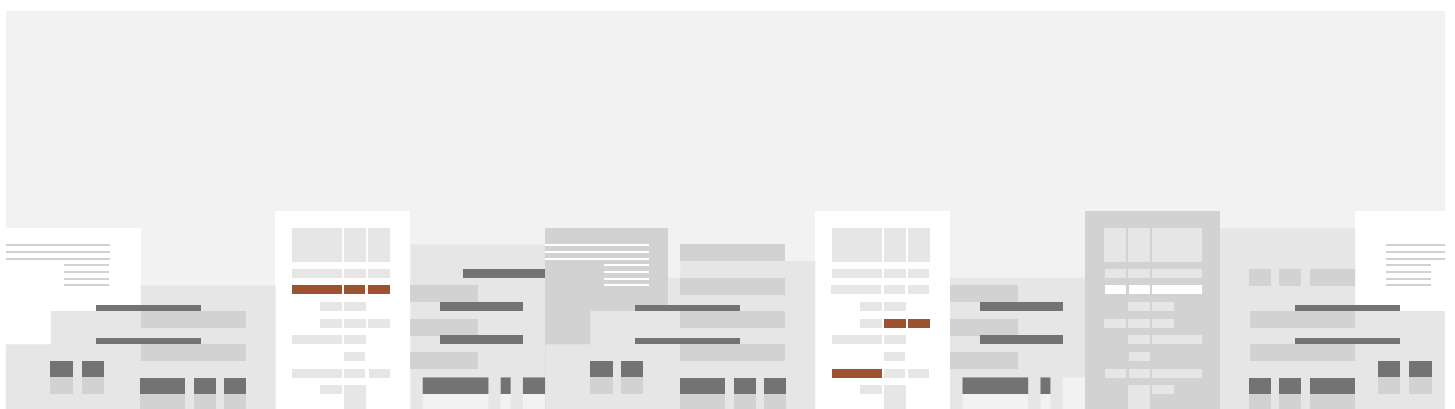
During this time, Employment Services changed from a group residential employment placement process to individualized services. These services included unemployment benefits, aiding in the stimulus process, Medicaid applications, and tracking the clients who would be able to return to work. Employment Services also partnered with other community agencies to accommodate client needs (i.e., clothing, client paychecks, etc.) Throughout this time, there was consistent contact with employers apprising them of the situation and our response.

In May of 2020, 60 clients were approved to return into the workforce following closely the LCHD and CDC expectations. During this transition, Employment Services maintained communication with employers to transition more clients out into the workforce.

LCCC observes strict safety guidelines within the facility and these practices have allowed the number of clients returning to work to rise. Through a phased approach, all residential clients who were employed prior to COVID had returned to work by August 2020. This additionally gave new residential clients the opportunity to search and gain employment. In total, Employment Services assisted 414 individual residential clients.

We acknowledge the stress this pandemic has brought on all of us, but with perseverance we have all learned to adapt. Thanks to our community employers, and all of our hard work, patience, professionalism, and collaboration, we have achieved a great partnership in keeping our community, family, and clientele safe.

Larimer County Community Corrections truly values and appreciates all the employers who continue to support this growing program.



TREATMENT PROGRAMS

Substance Use Disorder and Co-Occurring Mental Health Treatment

- 492 referrals to in-house Residential Substance Use Disorder and Co-Occurring Mental Health Treatment Programs
- 295 people completed in-house Residential Substance Use Disorder and Co-Occurring Mental Health Treatment Programs.
- 221 or 75% of people admitted successfully completed the in-house Residential Substance Use Disorder and Co-Occurring Mental Health Treatment Programs. 56% of dual diagnosis program clients, 70% of intensive Residential Substance use disorder clients and 91% of our short term intensive residential clients successfully completed programming.

2020 Highlights

- 2020 brought about significant challenges to treatment programming as it did for all aspects of LCCC.
- Treatment staff acted with creativity and flexibility to meet staffing requirements, maximize dosage and contact hours, and provide the same or similar programming as clients would have received in prior years via online resources. (e.g. NA and AA meetings via Zoom)
- The morning run club continued operation in Men's treatment and provided a healthy recreation outlet even while community runs were cancelled. Incoming Division Director Emily Humphrey even became involved.
- Despite concerns with COVID-19, treatment programming was able to continue with minimal interruptions due in large part to client and staff dedication to COVID protocols laid out by the LCDHE. However, the pandemic significantly impacted our referrals and ability to place people into these programs
- Staff was able to propose and get approval from the Division of Criminal Justice for a "quarantine model" of programming which allowed clients to get the most out of treatment while still maintaining the health and integrity of the facility. This model included curbside check-ins for treatment, daily groups for clients in quarantine, and the distribution of assigned materials for clients to complete,
- In 2020 Front Range Clinic, a local provider of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services, began coordinating weekly in-house appointments with treatment clients seeking MAT.
- Treatment staff rapidly adapted to using technology to accommodate the medical, legal, and mental health needs of clients by facilitating meetings via Zoom, Webex, Google Meet, etc. In instances where clients needed to appear to these appointments in person, staff facilitated these as well while following CDC guidelines in public spaces.
- The treatment team added two Team Lead positions to supervise case managers and add leadership depth and support. They also assist by taking on clients for individual therapy and case management as needed.

"There's a special sense of belonging that I feel from getting up early in the morning to run with this group of people & knowing that we will be volunteering in the community at upcoming races together. Whether I am able to make it every week, every other week or once a month, I know that the run club is here for me. It is empowering to see my running ability improve along with the other women that choose to participate in this group...to see someone start out walking & within a couple of months, they're running a complete mile without stopping & getting to share that accomplishment with them is a bonding experience for us all. I know that I have the run club as a support group too. I've learned in the years that I have participated in this club that "track therapy" can be so beneficial. There's something to be said about walking/running for 30 minutes to an hour with a peer & processing through life, the good & the bad. Sometimes, I seek advice on how to handle a situation, other times, I just need a listening ear...I always get just what I need from the women in the run club."



Strategic Individualized Remediation Treatment

The Strategic Individualized Remediation Treatment (STIRT) program is a continuum of care that includes short-term residential treatment and outpatient treatment for adult men who are involved in the criminal justice system and at risk of returning to jail or prison due to technical violations of probation, parole, or other conditions of release.

The program is comprised of a short-term residential treatment episode followed by six to nine months of community-based services. In addition to substance use and mental health treatment services, participants can take advantage of assistance with transportation, medical needs, reconnecting to family, and engagement in positive social and leisure activities. Our clients are actively engaged in giving back to and participating in community activities, through the use of local recreation centers, volunteering at a local restaurant that provides free food to those in need and attending NA meeting in the community.

In STIRT we pride ourselves on the ability to provide warm handoffs from the residential portion of STIRT to the continuing care providers in the communities that our STIRT participants reside. We know that we are providing an opportunity for growth in our clientele and that growth must continue into their home communities through these warm handoffs. Our program is designed to reach all learning styles and within each group we strive to provide materials that will hit each style of learning.

Intensive Residential Treatment

Men's Intensive Residential Treatment (MIRT) is a 90-day trauma-informed intensive residential substance abuse treatment program. It incorporates specific curriculum tailored for the men to address substance abuse, trauma and criminogenic risk reduction. This treatment program, through a contract with DCJ, is designed to serve DOC transition, direct sentence to Community Corrections, parole and probation clients from the entire state of Colorado.

Women in New Recovery (WINR) is a 90-day intensive residential substance abuse treatment program that has a gender-responsive, relationally based, and trauma informed approach developed exclusively for women offenders. This treatment program, through a contract with DCJ, is designed to serve both DOC transition, direct sentence to Community Corrections, parole and probation clients from the entire state of Colorado.

RDDT – Residential Dual Diagnosis Treatment

The Residential Dual Diagnosis Treatment (RDDT) program is intended for individuals who present with serious substance abuse problems, chronic mental illness, elevated risk of recidivism, and a history of felony criminal conduct. The purpose of RDDT is to provide an intensive treatment intervention followed by continuing care after completion of the residential intervention.



OUTCOMES

2020 STIRT Outcomes

90 Admissions into STIRT Treatment

82 Successful Completions of Treatment: 91%

8 Negative Terminations: 9%

- 3 Substance Abuse
- 1 Refusal to Participate
- 4 Technical Violations

2020 IRT Outcomes

166 Admissions into IRT – 90 Day Treatment

117 Successful Completions of Treatment: 70%

49 Negative Terminations: 30%

- 5 Escape/Walkaway
- 12 Medical Discharge
- 21 Technical Violations
- 4 Substance Abuse
- 1 Unsuccessful treatment completion
- 6 Refusal to Participate

2020 RDDT Outcomes

39 Completions

22 Successful Completions: 56%

17 Negative Terminations: 44%

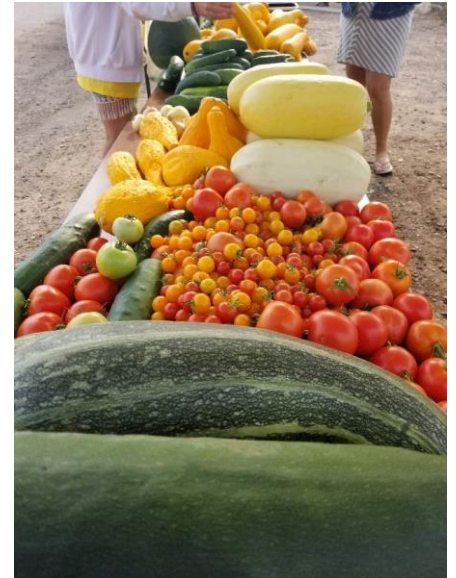
- 3 Escape/Walkaway
- 2 Technical Violations – Substance
- 10 Technical – non-substance
- 1 refusal to participate
- 1 new crime - misdemeanor

Therapy Garden & Farmer's Market

Therapy comes in many forms and over the past years the treatment clients have used gardening as their therapeutic tool. The Men's and Women's Residential Treatment clients grow vegetables every summer. Each year the garden space grows, and more plants are added. It starts in the springtime with the client's preparing the soil and deciding what will be grown this year.

This past year the clients planted over 30 varieties of fruits and vegetables. The clients watch over the garden by watering and weeding almost daily. As the clients care for the vegetables, they learn the importance of taking care of something and watching their challenging work grow. For most clients, this is the first-time gardening, and many find it therapeutic as they care for the vegetables.

Late summer, clients begin to harvest all the produce and get ready for the Farmer's Market stand. This year, due to Covid-19 restrictions, the Farmer's Market was not possible, and the produce was instead donated to Colorado Early Colleges. Larimer County Community Corrections hope to have the farmers market stand up and running in late summer 2021.



NON-RESIDENTIAL SUPERVISION

2020 Outcomes

98 Total Program Terminations

92 Successful Completions

6 Unsuccessful Terminations

- 2 Escape
- 3 New Felony Charge
- 1 New Misdemeanor Charge

Non-Residential Successful

Completion Rate: 94%

Restitution Paid by Non-

Residential Clients: \$126,091.58

Diversion clients who successfully complete the Residential Program transfer to the Non-Residential Program. This gives the client the ability to return to family members and transition back into the community. The program is designed to not only provide community safety and accountability for the client, but also to reintegrate the client back into society. The client is required to maintain steady employment, stable housing and, when required, mental health and substance abuse treatment. The case managers assigned to the unit stay in close contact with the clients as they progress through the level system. Clients move up in levels as they show stability and complete required case planning action steps and goals. The case managers ensure compliance with the Colorado Division of Criminal Justice standards. Clients are required to live in pre-approved residences and case managers conduct home visits, monitor the stability of the client in the community, conduct curfew

checks, monitor employment, and meet with family members. The client will remain on Non-Residential Supervision until they complete their sentence or if/when the client is granted early termination by the courts.

This year the Non-Residential team created and implemented a grid to provide transparent structure to the Administrative Review (AR) process. This structured grid allowed for consistent AR discussions, assessing risk level and determining appropriate sanctions options for Non-Residential clients.

The Non-residential team has had a difficult year managing the impact of the COVID 19 pandemic on our population. With the increase in number of clients that were either positive for the COVID-19 virus or symptomatic, it was difficult to balance supervision, advocacy, and services, with safety protocols. The Non-Residential team remained committed to effectively supervising clients in the community and providing services, as well as ensuring both the community and client's safety. Through creative problem solving, they were able to adapt the Pre-Trial Services application that contained video conferencing technology to connect with and successfully supervise Non-residential clients during pandemic restrictions. Despite limitations and challenges, they had a very successful year as demonstrated by the successful completion rate, amount of restitution paid, and low recidivism rate.

AIIM & WELLNESS COURT



The purpose of the Alternatives to Incarceration for Individuals with Mental health needs (AIIM) program and the 8th Judicial Wellness Court program is to provide an alternative to incarceration for individuals with mental health issues that are in the criminal justice system. The program provides mental health and substance use treatment services and criminal justice supervision to adults. Our goal is to reduce jail bed days and the drain on probation, the courts the jail and the community at large.

Participants in the AIIM Program receive individual therapy, court compliance case management, group therapy, basic needs case management, and psychiatric treatment including medication administration. Program staff make referrals to community services to aid the client in developing independence and community support. A goal of both programs is to aid the client in independence and connection to services to support long term recovery and pro-social behaviors after they have completed the programs. However, the door is always open for AIIM or Wellness Court clients to return to programs to be connected to services.

2020 AIIM & Wellness Court Highlights

- September 2020 Larimer County expanded AIIM program and opened a new site located at the police and courts building in Loveland.
- Back in March 2020 when the pandemic hit, the program took immediate action to follow recommendations from the CDPHE. Clients were provided with telehealth services for their treatments needs and continued to administer medications daily or as needed with these precautions in place. As recommendations have changed the program has adapted to make sure we are continuing to provide the necessary services to a vulnerable population while still maintaining health and safety. When clients enter the building their temperature is taken, screen questions are asked, hand washing, and masks are required. We adjusted program number so that clients can maintain social distancing. We continue to make any necessary changes to adhere to the CDPHE recommendations.
- We continue to offer mental health, substance abuse, and life skills groups to the clients.
- In 2020, AIIM and Wellness Court received 130 referrals total; AIIM received 49 referrals and Wellness Court received 61 referrals. 20 prescreens were either referral withdrawn or rejected.

Tony S- " Wellness Court has a fun, caring, and loving staff that will go out of their way to help you if you want the help. They are real, kind, genuine, and compassionate. To them we are not a statistic, we are a human being. They push us and lead us to be better for ourselves, peers, family, and community."

OUTCOMES

AIIM OUTCOMES

- Fort Collins had 3 Successful Completions and 10 Negative Terminations.
- Loveland had 14 referrals in 2020. We accepted 13 and rejected one. Loveland served 13 total clients with one graduate.
- 40 AIIM clients served in 2020 between Loveland and Fort Collins
- 0% recidivism ration for AIIM graduates.
- Total jail bed days served for both Fort Collins and Loveland was 1471.

WELLNESS COURT OUTCOMES

- Wellness Court uses a contingency management model to address client behaviors. Through this model clients receive either a reward, intervention, sanction, or none when in court. In 2020 Wellness Court clients had the following breakdown:
 - Rewards - 527
 - Interventions -86
 - Sanctions - 208
 - None (or in-house sanction) - 263
- This indicates that clients receive primarily positive feedback in court from the judge. Additionally, the continued goal has been to increase the interventions used in court and decrease the sanctions to address behaviors.
- 2020- Wellness Court Discharges
 - 9 Graduations
 - 22 Negative Discharges (Revocations)
 - Total number of clients served in 2020 – 60 (15 females and 45 males)
- Wellness Court Jail Bed Days
 - Year Prior to WC - 7279
 - First year in program WC jail days – 1964
 - Jail bed days saved for Wellness Court – 5315