



Prearrest Diversion Task Force |

MEETING SUMMARY

Meeting date | time *Wednesday, June 25, 2025 | 12:30 pm* | Meeting location *441 4th St. NW 11th floor Room 1114*

ATTENDEES

Meeting Facilitator: Adam Schutzman, CJCC

Attendees:

CJCC: Adam Schutzman, Kristy Love, Niloufer Taber, Dante' Daniels, Margarita Mikhaylova

PSA: Tiffany Manley, Kisha Gordon

MPD: Kelly O'Meara

DBH: Anthony Hall

USAO: Elana Suttentberg, Katie Sessa

DMHHS: Sakina Thompson

OAG: Brian Kim

DC Council: Linn Groft

DMPSJ: --

MEETING DISCUSSION

The purpose of the Prearrest Diversion Task Force is to review and assess best practices around prearrest diversion and to make recommendations for implementing prearrest diversion of certain misdemeanor crimes in the District of Columbia.

Goals and Objectives of Prearrest Diversion

In addition to the responsibilities of the task force listed in the Secure DC Omnibus Amendment Act, task force members offered the following preliminary goals for prearrest diversion:

- Prevent crime and break the cycle of criminal conduct
- Connect individuals with mental or behavioral health issues to services that support their recovery
- Address the root causes of presenting behavior and underlying needs to avoid contact with the criminal justice system



Pre-Arrest Diversion Pilot Program of 2018

Members of the prearrest diversion pilot program of 2018, including a representative from MPD and a representative from DBH, presented on the process, implementation, and lessons learned from the initiative.

Selecting a Chairperson

The Prearrest Diversion Task Force members agreed to nominate a chairperson or express interest in being the chairperson. Once the list of nominees is confirmed, the chairperson will be voted on online prior to the next meeting.

Data Needs

The Prearrest Diversion Task Force will need to determine the relevant data required to make informed decisions about prearrest diversion in the District. The task force will assess relevant data needs and existing data sets and submit their data requests and considerations to the CJCC over email.

Scheduling

The Prearrest Diversion Task Force is required to meet monthly until formal recommendations are made. Task force members agreed to vote on the best time to meet over an online form.

DECISIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

Decisions: None at this time.

Actions:

Item	Agency
Complete the scheduling poll (to be shared by email) to determine the best time for a recurring task force meeting.	ALL
Submit nominations of candidates for the chairperson. Vote for chairperson prior to next scheduled meeting.	ALL
Review respective agency data sets and determine what data is necessary for the creation, implementation, and evaluation of a prearrest diversion program.	ALL