

**Alamo Area Council of Governments
Criminal Justice Advisory Committee Meeting
February 12, 2025 – 1:30 pm
AACOG 2700 NE Loop 410, Ste. 101, San Antonio, TX 78217**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

1. Ms. Glenda Wilke for Ms. Nicole Bishop
2. Mr. Bryce Boddie
3. Captain Danny Bowermaster
4. Ms. Lisa Brothers
5. Dr. David Carrothers
6. Ms. Rori Boone for Dr. Allen Castro
7. Mr. Kenneth Schmidtling for Mr. Mike Davis
8. Ms. Vickie Ernst and Ms. Jennifer Forbes
9. Sergeant Albert Garza
10. Ms. Andrea Goff-Fontanes
11. Ms. Ellen Wheeler-Walter for D.A. Joe Gonzalez
12. Deputy Robert Guerrero
13. Chief Matthew Haynie
14. Ms. Hattie Heiner
15. Lt. Mary Krebs and Constable Paul Gonzales
16. Ms. Monica Torres for Ms. Jelynn LeBlanc Jamison
17. Ms. Vickie Adams for Ms. Abigail Moore
18. Deputy Chief Armando Olguin
19. Ms. Melissa Padron and Ms. Marina Garcia
20. Chief Justin Soza for Chief Deputy Gilbert Rodriguez
21. Mr. Jeffrey McLaughlin for Captain Michael Starnes
22. Ms. Cynthia Takajasi
23. Ms. Eladia Torres
24. Ms. Brenda Trevino
25. Ms. Samantha Wohler

MEMBERS ABSENT:

1. Judge Rochelle Camacho
2. Chief Linette Dury
3. Ms. Rosa Lavender
4. Chief Deputy Joshua Ray
5. Captain Jerry Rios
6. Sheriff Emmett Shelton

STAFF PRESENT:

1. Ms. Marcela Medina, Public Safety Manager
2. Ms. Laura Richardson, Public Safety Specialist
3. Mr. Justin Monarez, Homeland Security/Criminal Justice Coordinator

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1. **Meeting was called to order at 1:32 by Ms. Hattie Allen – Chair.**
 2. **Roll Call was taken by Ms. Laura Richardson, and a quorum was established.**

3. Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

4. Consider and act upon approval of the January 8th, 2025, Minutes.

A motion was made by **Mt. Mary Krebs** and seconded by **Mr. Bryce Boddie** to accept the above minutes.

All Approved, Motion Carried.

5. Program Updates

A. Updates:

- TARC Bi-annual Review
 - A. VOCA Review- there has been a 75% reduction since 2018. In 2026 OOG will be requesting and additional \$115M and are speculating a slight increase of 1.5M in Federal VOCA funding. This is just speculation at this time. We were advised in 2024 of another reduction of 20% that could be expected.
 - B. VOCA/CSEY
 1. Look at Activities for CSEY applications- look for these activities:
 - a. Drop-in centers
 - b. Short term residential programs
 - c. Long term residential services
 - d. Previously applications for these opportunities were scored by the child sex trafficking team
 2. For FY24 Long term residential programs were moved to the GVA program for scoring and prioritization by the COGs.
 3. FY26 Drop-In center programs and short-term residential programs will also be scored and prioritized by the COGs.
 4. Consider GVA applications at this point. Activities should be scored as a GVA applicant. Any comments regarding scoring need to go into the ranking sheet we submit to the OOG after scoring.
 5. No separation on OOG's end to separate out the applications-all batched as GVA.
- Grant Workshops Review.

We conducted 3 total grant workshops and had 174 attendees.
- VOCA & Radio Project Review Subcommittees

We have the ICC in place that will begin reviewing any radio projects after the application deadline. We also have 4 volunteers for the review of the VOCA applications. This review will determine the distinction between Victim Focused and Victim Serving. A tentative date to review applications is currently set for 2/20/25 10:30am via a team's meeting. Once a list is made it will come before the CJAC for final review and approval at the Mar 4th meeting.
- Score Form/Tools

Invitations will be sent soon to accept application assignments. An email will be sent prior with instructions for reviewers. We canceled the February score training and will reschedule another at a later date. If you are in your first term or have not attended a scoring training in the past 2 years then you must attend one of the training dates. If you want to attend if not required then you are welcome to do so.
- Conflict of Interest Identification

A survey was sent out in January requesting you to confirm which funding streams you will be conflicted out of. If you have not completed the survey then please do so.

6. Discussion and appropriate action on membership items:

Primary Membership:

1. Nominating **Captain Alyssa Campos**, replacement for Captain Michael Starnes as primary for Bexar County.
2. Nominating **Sergeant Delanie Barnes**, replacement for Captain Jerry Rios as primary for Guadalupe County
3. Nominating **Constable Jeff Large**, Guadalupe County Pct 3, replacement for Sheriff Joshua Ray as primary for Guadalupe County
4. Nominating **Rhonda Williamson**, replacement for Henry Dominguez as primary for Atascosa County
5. Nominating **Jennifer Forbes**, replacement for Vickie Ernst as primary for Bexar County
6. Nominating **Kenneth Schmidting**, replacement for Mike Davis as primary for Bexar County
7. Nominating **Sheriff Emmett Shelton**, replacement for Chief Lewis Lem as primary for McMullen County
8. Nominating **Sheriff Chris Ayala**, replacement for Sheriff Buddy Mills as primary for Gillespie County
9. Nominating **Donna Eccleston**, as primary for Comal County
10. Nominating Julie Strentzch as primary for Comal County

A motion was made by **Mr. Bryce Boddie** and seconded by **Dr. David Carrothers** to accept the above membership items.

All Approved, Motion Carried.

Alternate Membership:

1. Nominating **Rachelle Littlefield** as alternate to Captain Alyssa Campos for Bexar County
2. Nominating **Vince Isley** as second alternate to Lt. Mary Krebs for Kerr County
3. Nominating **Sergeant Elaine Reamer, GCSO** as alternate to Sergeant Delane Barnes for Guadalupe County
4. Nominating **Chief Jessi Chia** as alternate to Rhonda Williamson for Atascosa County
5. Nominating **Vickie Ernst** as alternate to Jennifer Forbes for Bexar County
6. Nominating **Suzanne McCaskill** as second alternate to Jennifer Forbes for Bexar County
7. Nominating **Mike Davis** as alternate to Kenneth Schmidting for Bexar County
8. Nominating **Babett Brown**, replacement for John Strelchun as alternate to Deputy Chief Armando Olguin for Bexar County
9. Nominating **Investigator Maricarmen Kaufman** as alternate to Sheriff Emmett Shelton for McMullen County

10. Nominating **Carlye Dupart** as alternate to Julie Strentzch for Comal County

11. Nominating **Heather Harrison** as second alternate to Julie Strentzch for Comal County

A motion was made by **Mr. Bryce Boddie** and seconded by **Lt. Mary Krebs** to accept the above membership items.

All Approved, Motion Carried.

7. Announcements

None

8. Items to be placed on the next meeting's agenda.

There was discussion about the federal grant funding freeze. It was brought up to have everyone contact their local and state representatives and voice concerns.

Nothing is known at this time and it is ongoing.

9. Next meeting date: Tuesday March 4th, 2025 – Score Training at 10:00am-12:00pm and regular CJAC meeting at 1:30pm.

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by **Constable Paul Gonzales** and seconded by **Mr. Bryce Boddie** to adjourn.

All Approved, the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 PM.