# **Criminal Justice Council**



### 2024 Joint Finance Hearing Thursday, February 15, 2024

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# **Mission & Legislation**

### Del. C. Title 11 Chapter 87 §8700

The Delaware Criminal Justice Council is an independent body committed to leading the criminal justice system through a collaborative approach that calls upon the experience and creativity of the Council, all components of the system, and the community. The Council shall continually strive for an effective system that is fair, efficient, and accountable.

### **Trusted Resources**







## Who We Serve

- > Nearly 400 grant recipients and the clients they serve
- > Legislature
- > 20 Committees, Commissions and Working Groups, including:
  - Council on Correction
  - > DATAC
  - Adult Correction Healthcare Review Committee
  - Juvenile Justice Advisory Group
  - > SENTAC
  - Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Pre-Trial & Victims Committees and their subcommittees

# Background

The CJC was created by statute in 1984 and was united with the SAC in 2011. The Board of Parole was added in July 2014. This fiscal year Delaware Anti-Trafficking Action Council was added.

The Council consists of 29 members, including representatives from the Governor's cabinet, the judiciary, state and local police departments, state and local and government agencies, and members of the community.

#### FY 2024 budget consists of 25 general fund FTE's:

- 8 CJC positions
- 7 SAC positions
- 5 DVCC positions
- 2 Board of Parole
- 3 Delaware Anti-Trafficking Action Council positions

#### FY 2024 17 NSF FTE's:

17 full time

# FUNDING

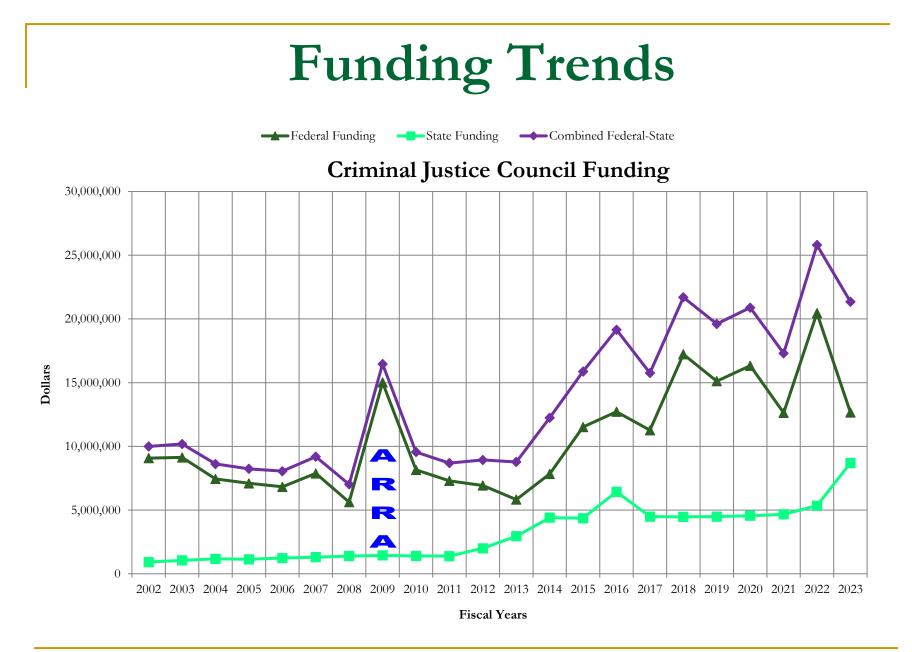
# FY2024 General Fund Budget

#### FY2024 Funding:

\$1,662,100 CJC General Funds

CJC Personnel = \$915,900; DVCC Personnel = \$400,000; DATAC Personnel = \$346,200

- \$ 42,700 Domestic Violence Coordinating Council
- \$ 213,300 Board of Parole
- \$ 559,900 SAC General Funds
- \$2,478,000 Total General Funds
- \$ 212,500 Videophone Funds ASF
- \$ 212,500 Total Appropriated Special Funds



### Videophone, Law Enforcement Reimbursement Program and Domestic Violence Fund

Videophone revenue is imposed and collected by the courts for crimes or offenses as defined in Title 11 § 233.

FY23 Actual Revenue \$125,519

142 Videophone sites

#### Local Law Enforcement Education Reimbursement Fund

FY23 \$150,000 -During FY23 the program supported 48 law enforcement officers. Since the inception of the program CJC has provided more than 1,100 reimbursements to nearly 400 officers totaling \$1.5 million

#### Public Attorney Student Loan Repayment Assistance Program

FY23 \$500,000 During FY23 the program supported 48 attorneys.

## Domestic Violence Fund revenue is composed of \$15 from each fee for a certified marriage license or certificate copy as defined in Title 16 § 3132(b)

Effective since January 2009

FY23 Actual Revenue \$154,956

# Trauma Informed Care VOCA Fund \$2,568,049

- One-Time funding bill

- Up to \$3 Million to provide gap funding for the VOCA programs

- FED VOCA funds provided to State Agencies and TIC funds provided to statewide non-profits and Locals

# Trauma Informed Care Fund \$2,568,049

Child, Inc. (4)	\$ 446,568.00
Children & Families First Delaware (1)	\$ 249,972.00
Children's Advocacy Center of Delaware, Inc. (1)	\$ 172,218.00
Community Legal Aid Society Inc. (3)	\$ 271,430.00
ContactLifeline, Inc. (2)	\$ 55,531.00
Delaware Center for Justice, Inc. (1)	\$ 67,093.00
Delaware Volunteer Legal Services, Inc. (1)	\$ 48,571.00
Family Counseling Center of St. Paul's (1)	\$ 21,943.00
Kind to Kids Foundation (2)	\$ 222,635.00
La Esperanza, Inc. (1)	\$ 18,000.00
New Castle County Police Department (1)	\$ 99,657.00
Peoples Place II, Inc. (2)	\$ 207,645.00
Survivors of Abuse in Recovery, Inc. (1)	\$ 18,000.00
The Nemours Foundation (1)	\$ 212,262.00
Town of Georgetown Police Department (1)	\$ 18,500.00
Wilmington Police Department (1)	\$ 28,000.00
YWCA Delaware, Inc. (3)	\$ 196,938.00
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# Highlights and Current Activities

In FY2024, CJC awarded funding for more than <u>200</u> projects in excess of <u>\$17.5</u> million federal dollars. The CJC also continued to administer over <u>\$10.5</u> million in grants awarded in previous years, bringing the total of federal funds to over <u>\$27.5</u> million.

Through the support of OMB, CJC E-grants was implemented in July 2014. The CJC continues user training and maintenance of the system. As of today, over \$135.6 million has been administered in this system.

Our Only request this year was for \$200,000 to replace E-grants with Smart Simple – the same GMS that has just been implemented by the DE State Legislature

# Planning

## FY 2023-24 Fed Grants

Juvenile Justice (Title II, DSCYF After School Programs\*)

OJJDP Juvenile Justice Enhancing Defense Program

Victims (FVP, SAS, DV Fund\*, VOCA, VAWA)

John R. Justice

Postconviction DNA

COSSUP

OVC - Human Trafficking

Byrne Justice Assistance Grant

Project Safe Neighborhoods

Body Worn Camera – BJAG Disc

Coverdell NSFIA

Statewide Violence Reduction – BJAG Disc

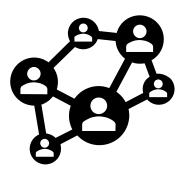
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RSAT

Community Court

What do these grant dollars mean for Delawareans?

## **Victims Services**



Victim services for 37,903 survivors (VOCA)



**Legal assistance for 282 DV survivors** (DV Fund)



**9,025 crisis hotline** calls (SASP & FVPSA)



## Law Enforcement Initiatives

BWC - 610 body worn cameras, all 41 agencies are fully equipped & operational

Presidential Protection

DEPAC, 9 agencies are in the DEPAC progress

FBI LEEDA Training for 133 Law Enforcement Officers

DOC Officer recruitment

# SUD & MH Initiatives





11 Deflection
Programs
1,380 individuals
200 ride-alongs
67 arrest diversions
25 youth events

7 Pregnant incarcerated women & 43 adolescent boys received treatment/ services

Improve responses & outcomes for individuals with MI or CMISA

# **Corrections & Reentry Initiatives**



# 1,810 individuals trained for jobs



# 313 individuals housed



Over 1,500 justice involved individuals received case management

# Reimbursement Programs



87 Law Enforcement Officers benefited from tuition reimbursement



**18 Attorneys from DOJ & ODS** received student loan repayment assistance



45 Public Attorneys received student loan repayment assistance Questions

### **Statistical Analysis Center**

#### **Mission**

#### • 11 § 8902

The Statistical Analysis Center shall provide the State with a professional capability for objective, interpretive analysis of data relating to crime and criminal justice issues in order to improve the effectiveness of policy-making, program development, planning and reporting.

#### **Statutory Obligations**

#### • 11 § 2104(e)(2)

The SAC shall provide the court with a report of rates of re-arrest and failure to appear as required by persons [defendants] released by the court.

#### • 11 § 2107(g)

In addition to the information required in the annual report established in § 2114(i) of this title, the Criminal Justice Council shall include information of the following in the aggregate and disaggregated by race, gender, and zip code of:

(1) Rates of defendants' eligibility under subsection (c) of this section.

(2) Rates of initial detention.

(3) Rates of detention throughout the pretrial period.

(4) Average length of stay from arrest to adjudication.

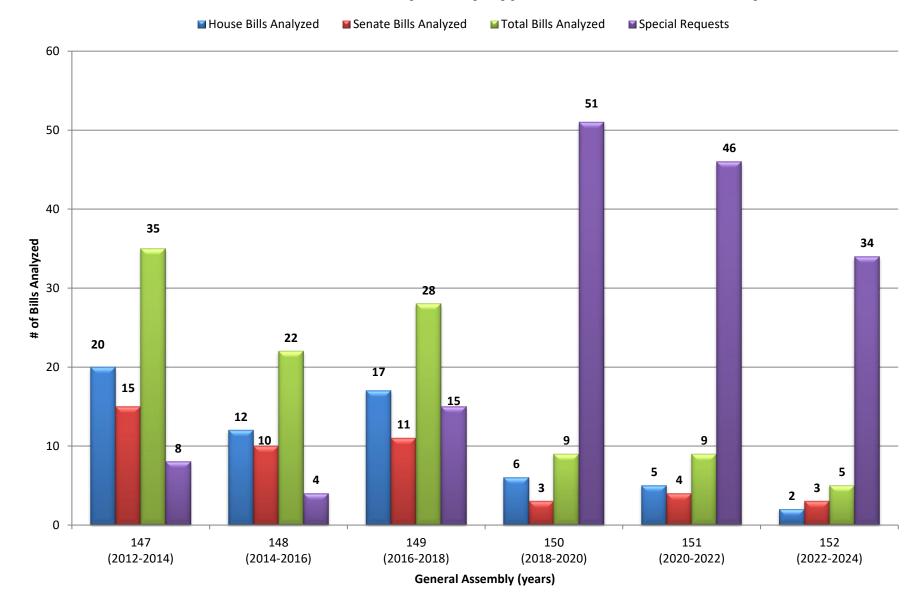
• 11 § 8903

(9) Conduct research and provide analyses as required to determine the impact proposed policy changes may have on the criminal justice system;

(10) Submit annually to the Governor, Chief Justice, President Pro Tem of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House a report examining 1-year, 2-year, and 3-year rates of re-arrest, reconviction, and recommitment of released offender cohorts.

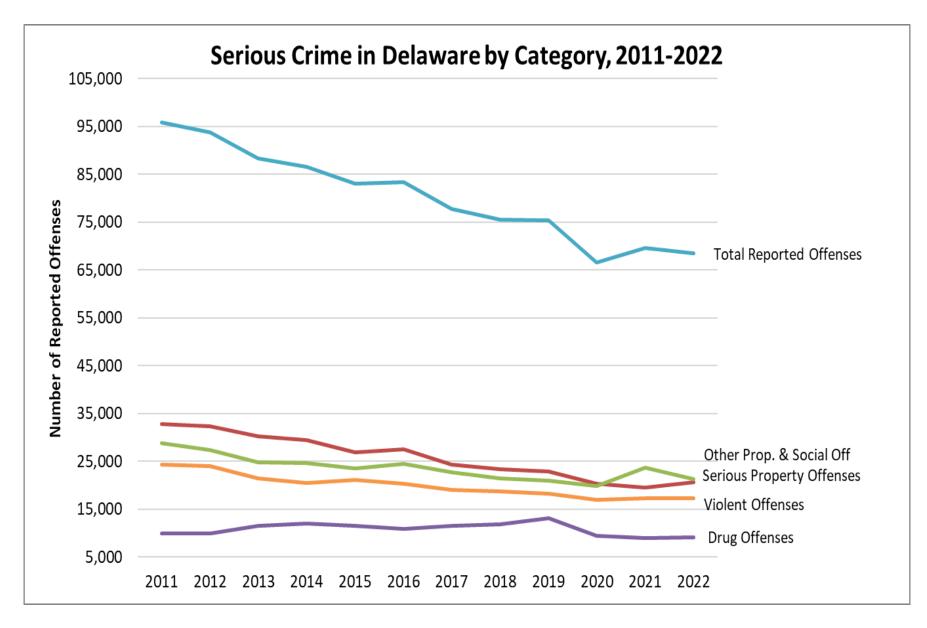
#### • 14 § 9006A(b)

By October 1 of each year, the Statistical Analysis Center shall submit to the Department of Justice a report on the outcome or status of complaints of violations of §§ 767-773 of Title 11 where the alleged victim or the alleged perpetrator, or both, is a student of an academic institution and whether the alleged offense occurred on campus at an academic institution. The report shall cover the previous calendar year.

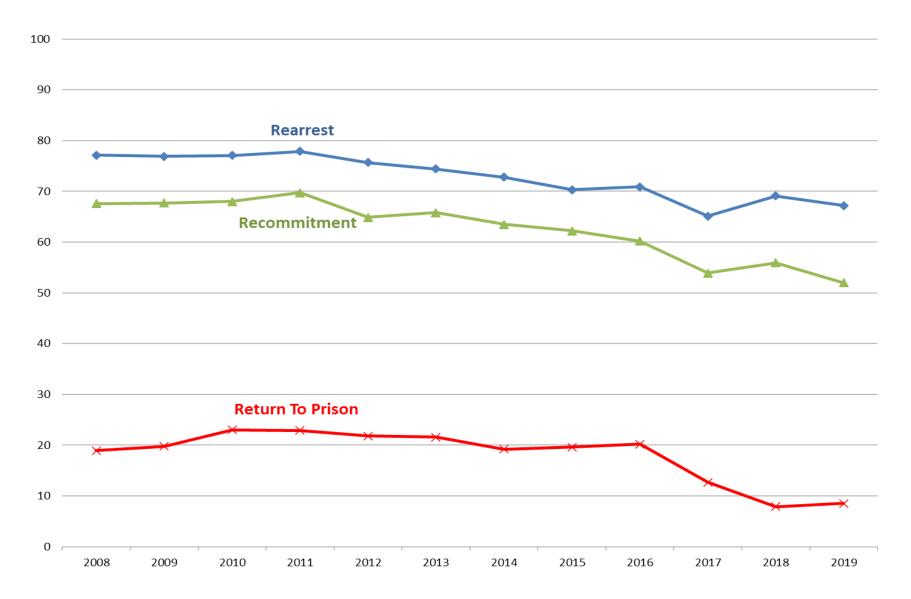


#### Number of Bills SAC Analyzed by Type and General Assembly

### **Crime Trends in Delaware**



#### Adult Recidivism



### Other Projects at the Center

- Facilitate data collection, and provide training and technical assistance for Death in Custody Reporting ACT (DCRA)
- Juvenile Justice studies including recidivism
- Enhancing Adult Recidivism Research
- Presenting and educating state agencies and community groups on Recidivism in Delaware
- Supporting legislatively assigned task forces and subcommittees

# Questions

# Domestic Violence Coordinating Council



Angela Seguin Executive Director

### Domestic Violence Coordinating Council

Title 13: Chapter 21 of the Delaware State Code

The Domestic Violence Coordinating Council (DVCC) is the state agency legislatively created to improve Delaware's response to domestic violence and sexual assault.

Statutory duties are defined in 13, Del. C § 2103

# Vision Statement

The DVCC is committed to leading the nation through innovative legislative action, community education and an outstanding coordinated system response to domestic violence & sexual assault.

## Domestic Violence Coordinating Council

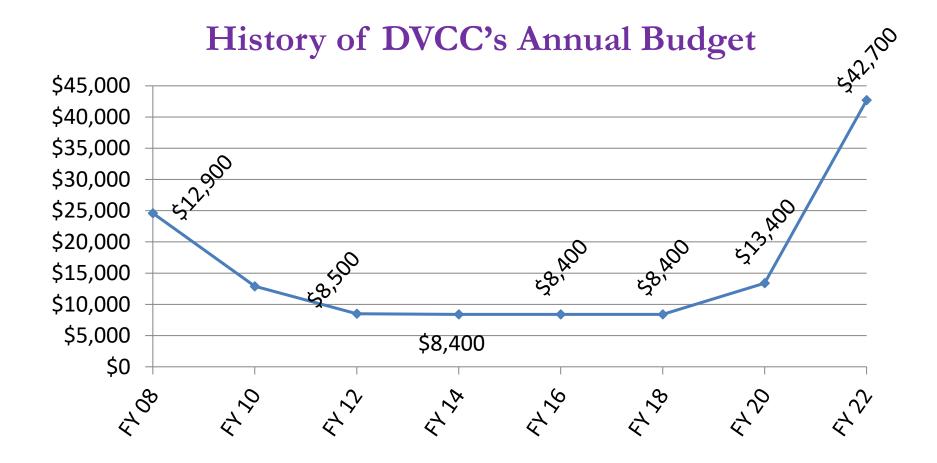
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- Prof. Jennifer Naccarelli
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- Melissa Pennachi

#### **DVCC Staff:**

Angela Seguin, Executive Director Lauren Cuevas, Senior Administrator Sara Paris, Planner IV Francisca Moreno, Trainer/Educator II Debra Pierce, Administrative Specialist III Libby Neuner, Family Justice Center Coordinator (*grant funded contractor*) Debra Reed & Tim Valeski, High Risk DV Coordinators (*grant funded contractors*)



The DVCC was established in 1993.

The agency was established with the Executive Director and Project Coordinator (2 staff). FY00 – added a dedicated Senior Secretary and Public Education Specialist. FY06 – added a Project Coordinator position.

## Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence Training and Awareness

# Training and public awareness regarding the effects of domestic violence and sexual violence is vital to our mission.

- Healthcare professionals
  - Law enforcement
- Judicial branch employees
  - Attorneys
    - Schools
  - Community members

- Specialized trainings
- Skill-building workshops
- Classroom presentations
- Public Awareness Events
  - Resource tables

#### July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024

- 4 Educational Sessions and 15 training sessions
- A total of 474 people trained since July 2023. Coming up: 1 full-day Law Enforcement & MDT webinar on Strangulation 2/22, 1 full-day Treatment Conference on 3/6, 1 training on Stalking 3/26, and more in the works for May/June.
- 126 advocates trained
- 29 Law Enforcement Officers or Representatives trained
- 225 members of the general public reached
- 22 Teens have been through a DVCC workshop

# **DVCC** Committees

#### **Family Justice Center Steering Committee** (ad hoc, Established 2021) + 6 Work Groups:

- Feasibility Study being conducted by Tevebaugh Architecture is nearing its conclusion
- Visioning Sessions with partners in each county were conducted in June 2023
- Site visits to FJCs in Brooklyn, Manhattan, Fort Worth, New Orleans, and 3 in California

#### Animal Abuse & Domestic Violence Link Committee (Established 2022):

• Moved 3 bills to passage in 2023: inclusion of "animal abuse" in the PFA definitions, requiring animals to be addressed in divorce, & requiring reporting of animal abuse by DFS when investigating child abuse and reporting of child abuse by OWA when investigating animal abuse.

#### **Children & Domestic Violence Committee**

• Updated the Guidelines for Responding to Teen Dating & Sexual Violence in Delaware Schools

#### **Criminal Justice Committee**

- Arizona State University study to develop a validated DV Risk Assessment Tool for use in the Pre-Trial Settings is moving forward.
- Created a Strangulation Protocol that was approved by DVCC in Sept & by Police Chiefs' Council in November

#### **Elderly and Domestic Violence Committee**

• Discussing a new name for this committee & working on World Elder Abuse Day event

# DVCC Committees (continued)

#### **Immigration Committee**

• Collaborated on ways to better support immigrant survivors w/language access and navigating limited bilingual resources

#### Legislative Committee

• Supported the animal abuse package of bills and the labor definition change **Medical Committee** 

• Promoted & provided trainings on the DV Medical Manual

#### **Training Committee**

- Developed a brochure on Delaware protective orders
- Held a training on Working with Latino/a Survivors October 27, 2023
- Held a webinar on new PFA legislation on January 16, 2024

#### **Treatment Committee**

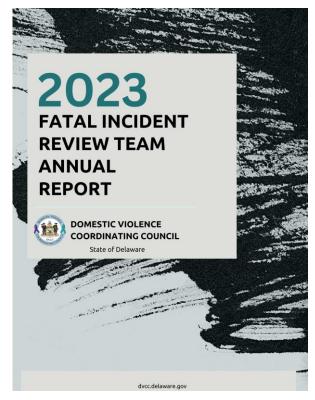
- Revised the Certification Standards, which were approved by DVCC in December
- Working to make the certification application process a secure online process
- Planning a Treatment Conference for March 6, 2024

#### Public Awareness & Education Committee

- Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month (February) student poster contest returned and winners will soon be announced for 2024
- Sexual Assault Awareness Month (April)
- Domestic Violence Awareness Month (October)

## Fatal Incident Review Team

The Fatal Incident Review Team (FIRT) was established in 1996 under 13 <u>Del. C.</u> **§** 2105



Full report may be found on: <u>dvcc.delaware.gov</u> FIRT consists of 14 members defined in statute.

#### 2023 FIRT Report included 5 recommendations.

**146** domestic violence fatal incident reviews have been conducted by FIRT since it's inception.

Those included **183 deaths** and **6 near deaths**.

#### FY2024

The Social Service Senior Administrator was hired last January and the team held 3 reviews in 2023.

The team has had new members approved and will be reviewing procedures and national best practices. FIRT will also focus on comprehensive tracking of near deaths to ensure it is as effective as it can be. <sup>36</sup>

# Questions ?