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**ILLINOIS CRIMINAL JUSTICE INFORMATION AUTHORITY  
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING**

April 17, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

555 W. Monroe, Lincoln Room - 4th Floor, Chicago, Illinois

ICJIA Offices, 524 South 2nd Street, Suite 220, Springfield, Illinois

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) chair David Olson called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m. and appointed Nicole Kramer as the ICJIA Budget Committee Vice Chair. ICJIA Deputy General Counsel Scott Riolute called the roll. Meeting attendance was as follows:

<b>Budget Committee Member Attendance</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Telephone</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Nicole Kramer (Budget Committee Vice Chair) for Cook County State's Attorney Eileen O'Neill Burke	X		
Katherine Danko for Cook Co. Sheriff Tom Dart	X		
Illinois Justice Project Director Ahmadou Dramé (Budget Committee Chair)			X
Dan Likens for Illinois State Police Director Brendan Kelly	X		
Patricia Jjemba for Cook Co. Public Defender Sharone Mitchell Jr.	X		
Loyola CJRPP Director David Olson (Authority Chair)	X		
John Carroll for Attorney General Kwame Raoul	X		
<b>Other Authority Member Attendance</b>			
DuPage County Circuit Court Clerk Candice Adams			X
Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board Director Keith Calloway			X
Scott F. Main for State Appellate Defenders Office Director James Chadd	X		
Dr. Vickii Coffey			X
GRO Community Director Jerry Davis-El			X
State's Attorney's Appellate Prosecutor's Office Director Patrick Delfino			X
Peoria Police Department Chief Eric Echevarria			X

Illinois Public Defender Association President Keith Grant	X		
Shelith Hansbro for Illinois Department of Corrections Acting Director Latoya Hughes	X		
Ryan Goodwin for Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Director Heidi Mueller			X
Senior Director of Inclusive Engagement for the University of Illinois at Chicago Kendal Parker			X
Kristina Kaupa for Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle	X		
Steve Spagnolo for Lake County State's Attorney Eric Rinehart			X
Fred Waller for Chicago Police Department Superintendent Larry Snelling			X
Cook County Circuit Court Clerk Mariyana Spyropoulos			X
Dr. Janice Phillips for Illinois Dept. of Public Health Director Dr. Sameer Vohra			X

Also in attendance were:

ICJIA Executive Director Delrice Adams  
 Dr. Rachel Garthe, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign  
 ICJIA Program Manager Samuel Hadley  
 ICJIA Program Manager Shataun Hailey  
 ICJIA Federal & State Grant Unit Administrative Assistant Jude Lemrow  
 ICJIA Federal & State Grant Unit Administrative Assistant Vanessa Morris  
 ICJIA Acting Program Manager Lajuana Murphy  
 ICJIA Deputy General Counsel Scott Rislute  
 ICJIA Federal & State Grants Unit Director Greg Stevens  
 ICJIA Program Manager Aisha Williams  
 ICJIA Program Manager Cydney Wessel

Other Authority staff members and guests were present.

### **Executive Director's Remarks**

Director Adams said that ICJIA had its Senate budget hearing on April 9, 2025 and the House hearing will be on April 23, 2025. She said that the Senate hearing went very well. She said that ICJIA's SFY26 budget will be \$491.4 million, a \$38M (7 percent) decrease. She said that the decrease is mainly due to the sunseting American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds on June 30, 2025 and a \$20 million reduction in ICJIA's Restore, Reinvest, and Renew (R3) appropriation. She said that the decrease will not affect ICJIA's ability to maintain funding cycles, but it will affect the amount of appropriation that would be in the total R3 fund. She said that there will be a \$10 million reduction in the Violent Crime Witness Protection Program and another \$5 million in one-time funded programs that are not renewing in SFY26.

### **1. Minutes of the February 20, 2025, Budget Committee Meeting**

**Motion:** Mr. Carroll moved to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2024, Budget Committee meeting. Ms. Kaupa seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **2. Community Trauma Recovery Centers**

Ms. Wessel said that in February 2022, the Budget Committee approved \$1,900,000 in SFY23 General Revenue Community Trauma Recovery Centers (CTRC) funds for Live Free Chicago dba Live Free Illinois. She said that grant had a start date of February 1, 2023, to provide 17 months of service and an additional \$3,176,200 was designated SFY25 to provide another 12 months of service. She said that staff now recommended designating an additional \$1,852,783 in SFY26 funds to support the program through January 31, 2026. She said that Live Free Illinois has operated as a pass-through entity to begin and expand the CTRC Program with a clinical partner and coalition of 13 sites across Illinois.

**Motion:** Mr. Carroll moved to approve the recommended CTRC designations. Mr. Olson seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

### **3. Institute 2 Innovate**

Ms. Wessel said that in February 2024, the Budget Committee approved \$1.5 million in SFY24 and SFY25 ARPA funds for the entities listed in the table below. She said that staff recommended designating an additional \$1.5 million in SFY26 ARPA funds for a second year of funding support. She said that, established in 2021, the Institute to Innovate (i2i) is designed to help organizations, especially new and emerging organizations, increase their ability to achieve their missions and build long-term organizational sustainability so that they can effectively provide community services to prevent and reduce violence. She said that through the i2i Planning and Capacity Building Grant, ICJIA seeks to empower nonprofits to excel in their mission delivery, achieve optimal outcomes, and adapt to the ever-evolving challenges and opportunities within the sector. She said that the capacity-building initiatives supported by this grant opportunity will play a pivotal role in strengthening the nonprofit landscape and fostering positive impacts on individuals and communities statewide. She said that staff recommended designating SFY26 ARPA funds as described in the table below.

<b>AGENCY NAME</b>	<b>Existing Designation SFY24/25</b>	<b>Proposed Designation SFY26</b>	<b>Total</b>
Reassemble Education and Support Training	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000
True Believers Community Connections	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000

Public Narrative	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000
Metro East Organizing Coalition	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000
Vision of Restoration, Inc	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000
Urban Male Network	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$500,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,500,000</b>	<b>\$1,500,000</b>	<b>\$3,000,000</b>

**Motion:** Ms. Kaupa moved to approve the recommended i2i ARPA designations. Mr. Olson seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

#### **4. Justice Assistance Grants**

Mr. Hadley said that ICJIA staff recommended awarding Acclivus the following Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) designations to support 12 months of violence reduction programming for a third and final year, as described in the table below.

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>FFY21</b>	<b>FFY22</b>	<b>Total</b>
Acclivus	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$200,000

Mr. Hadley said that the anticipated start date for the program is May 1, 2025, allowing for the first five months to be funded from the FFY21 JAG award. He said that the recommendation of \$100,000 of FFY21 funds exceeds the amount that would be pro-rated for the first five months to allow for any opportunity to spend more on the front end of the 12-month grant. He said that in the case that Acclivus is unable to spend the full \$100,000 of FFY21 before it expires, ICJIA staff would present a recommendation for a designation adjustment at the October 16, 2025, Budget Committee meeting. He said that this would allow for Acclivus to still receive the total awarded amount of \$200,000 for the 12-month period.

**Motion:** Mr. Grant moved to approve the recommended FFY21/FFY22 JAG designation. Ms. Kaupa seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

#### **5. State Police Metropolitan Enforcement Group and Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force Fund**

Mr. Stevens said that the State Police Metropolitan Enforcement Group and Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force Fund (MEGTF) was established under Public Act 100-0987. He said that the monies in the fund are generated by assessing a \$25 penalty on persons having been adjudged guilty of a drug-related offense as defined in the Cannabis Control Act, the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, or the Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act. He said that these funds, per statute, are to be equally divided among Metropolitan Enforcement Groups (MEGs) and Task Forces (TFs), thus making a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) unnecessary. He said that the last disbursement

of these funds was in May 2020 and ICJIA was able to distribute without the requirement of a grant agreement, but GATA rules now require a grant agreement before distribution of these funds. He said that equal distribution of MEGTF funds totaling \$430,086 would yield \$19,549 per unit and there are no restrictions on how those funds are used; only that they be used to help achieve the goals and objectives of the units. He said that there are 22 MEG and TF units in Illinois, but two units declined this funding, so those funds will remain in the trust and will be distributed in the future. He said that staff recommended designating \$19,549 in SFY25 MEGTF funds each to entities as described in the table below.

Unit	Request
Blackhawk Area Task Force (BATF)	Vehicle
Central Illinois Enforcement Group (CIEG)	Pole camera, vehicle camera system
DuPage MEG (DUMEG)	Vehicle lease program
East Central Illinois Task Force	Desktop and tablet computers, GPS trackers, document shredder, and surveillance equipment
Joliet MANS (JMANS)	Vehicle
Kankakee Area MEG (KAMEG)	Vehicle
Kendall County CPAT (KCPAT)	Vehicle
Lake County MEG (LCMEG)	Insurance, vehicle equipment vaults, truck bed cap, printing costs
MEG of Southwestern Illinois (MEGSI)	DVRs, drone, button camera
North Central Narcotics Task Force (NCNTF)	Vehicle
Multi-County MEG (MCNEG/PMEG)	Liability Insurance
Quad City MEG (QCMG)	Computers and accessories, inventory storage bins
South Central Illinois Drug Task Force (SCIDTF)	Drone, button camera, DVR and accessories
Southeastern Illinois Drug Task Force (SEIDTF)	Liability insurance
Southern Illinois Drug Task Force (SIDTF)	Liability insurance
Southern Illinois Enforcement Group (SIEG)	Portable radios
State Line Area Narcotics Team (SLANT)	Raid jackets and kits; surveillance equipment; laptop and tablet computers; drug test kits; covert transmitter
Task Force 6 (TF6)	Liability insurance
Vermillion County MEG (VMEG)	Surveillance equipment; radios; ballistic vests; cell phones; shredder
West Central Illinois Task Force (WCITF) - Quincy	Surveillance camera, insurance

**Motion:** Mr. Olson moved to approve the recommended SFY25 MEGTF designations. Ms. Derko seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion passed by unanimous voice vote, with a recusal by Mr. Likens due to his involvement with the Illinois State Police (ISP) and an abstention by Mr. Grant due to his objection to the funding source, which he said amounted to a fine on indigent defendants.

## **6. Restore, Reinvest, and Renew**

Ms. Williams said that at the February 20, 2025 Budget Committee meeting, the committee approved adjustments to three existing Restore, Reinvest, and Renew (R3) designations to the National Youth Advocate Program (NYAP) per the chart below.

<b>Grant ID Number</b>	<b>Previous Designation</b>	<b>Change to Previous Designation</b>	<b>Recommended Designation</b>
923399	\$786,674	(\$37,030)	\$749,644
923387	\$768,154	(\$30,000)	\$738,154
923381	\$466,607	\$67,030	\$533,637

Ms. Williams said that these adjustments were made to more efficiently direct funds designated to NYAP. She said that these revisions reduced funds for grants 923399 in Peoria and 923387 in Rockford to increase funds to grant 923381 in Champaign, where NYAP has determined the need for their services is higher. She said that staff has since determined that errors were made in these adjustments. She said that with the same goal of efficiently directing programming funds awarded to NYAP, staff now recommended that the adjustments described in the table above and approved at the February 20, 2025 Budget Committee meeting be rescinded, and revised adjustments be made according to the table below.

<b>Grant ID Number</b>	<b>Previous Designation</b>	<b>Change to Previous Designation</b>	<b>Recommended Designation</b>
923307	\$779,823	(\$37,030)	\$742,794
923387	\$768,154	(\$30,000)	\$738,154
923381	\$466,607	\$67,030	\$533,637

Ms. Williams said that these revised adjustments reduce funds for grants 923307 in Decatur and 923387 in Rockford and increase funds to grant 923381 in Champaign, where NYAP has determined the need for their services is higher. She said that the revised adjustments also restore the \$37,030 that had been taken from grant 923399 in Peoria.

**Motion:** Ms. Kaupa moved to approve the recommended R3 designation adjustments. Mr. Olson seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **7. State Crisis Intervention Program**

Mr. Lynch said that staff recommended approving the FFY24 State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) plan and funding priorities. He said that this is a process that will be done annually with each new federal fiscal year funding award. He said that in September 2024, the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority (ICJIA) was awarded \$5,424,041 in FFY24 SCIP funding and this award was contingent upon a convening of the SCIP Advisory Committee to establish priorities for the use of these funds and federal approval of the SCIP plan based on these priorities.

### **Update on FFY22-23 Funding Priorities**

Mr. Lynch said that at its June 20, 2023, meeting, the SCIP Advisory Committee established three priorities for the use of federal SCIP funding:

1. Firearm Restraining Order (FRO) training for system partners.
2. FRO implementation, treatment linkages, develop community infrastructure, and follow-up
3. FRO compliance and enforcement.

Mr. Lynch said that over the past year, ICJIA has released multiple NOFOs aligned with these funding priorities, including a NOFO to support compliance and enforcement that was released on April 16, 2025.

### **FFY24 SCIP Plan**

Mr. Lynch said that at its meeting in December 2024, the SCIP advisory committee reaffirmed its support for the existing funding priorities and approved the FFY24 SCIP Plan (presented in the meeting materials) for the State of Illinois and the initial funding plan detailed in the chart below.

FFY	2022-23	2024	2025*	2026*	Total
Award end date	9/30/2026	9/30/2027	09/30/2028*	09/30/2029*	
<b>Total Award</b>	\$9,527,496	\$5,424,041	\$5,400,000	\$5,400,000	\$25,751,537
<b>State Dollars - maximum 60%</b>	\$5,174,375	\$2,930,807	\$2,916,000	\$2,916,000	\$13,937,182
Research & Analysis staff **	\$89,565	\$93,150	\$96,875	\$100,750	\$380,340
Data Consultant	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150,000
NOFO: Targeted Outreach & Training – Illinois State Police	\$344,259	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$0	\$1,044,259
NOFO: Targeted Outreach & Training #2	\$1,017,156	\$0	\$0	\$2,815,250	\$3,832,406
NOFO: Compliance & Enforcement	\$3,573,395	\$2,487,657	\$2,469,125	\$0	\$8,530,177
<b>Local Dollars - at least 40%</b>	\$3,449,584	\$1,953,872	\$1,944,000	\$1,944,000	\$9,291,456
NOFO: Local Implementation Support – Cook County – Lake County	\$1,601,189	\$1,620,000	\$1,620,000	\$0	\$4,841,189
NOFO: Local Implementation Support #2	\$1,848,395	\$333,872	\$324,000	\$1,944,000	\$4,450,267

\* *Estimated award amount*

\*\* *Estimated 4% annual salary increase*

Mr. Lynch said that over the next year, ICJIA will release NOFOs corresponding to each of the priorities. He said that if approved by the Budget Committee, the SCIP plan will be submitted to the federal Department of Justice (DOJ) for their approval. He said that every NOFO and every new subgrant will be presented to the Budget Committee for approval and every new subgrant will also need to be reviews by the DOJ before it can begin programming.

**Motion:** Mr. Grant moved to approve the SCIP Plan. Mr. Olson seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion passed by unanimous voice vote, with abstentions by Ms. Derko and Mr. Likens.

## **8. Violence Against Women Act**

Ms. Hailey said that Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funds support programs that provide services to victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. She said that approval was granted at the April 13, 2023 Budget Committee meeting to utilize \$1,410,000 in VAWA funding to support lead entity services to oversee subgrants to organizations that provide services to underserved victims of domestic violence or sexual assault. She said that Lead entity services include providing fiscal oversight and quality assurance of its sub-grantees, structured monitoring, and providing subject matter expertise and technical assistance to subgrantees. She said that staff recommended designating \$705,000 in FFY24 VAWA funds to The Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA) and \$705,000 in FFY24 VAWA funds to the Illinois Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV) to continue lead entity services to subgrantees providing services to underserved areas and victim groups. She said that these designations would complete the third and final year of program funding under the current NOFO.

**Motion:** Ms. Kaupa moved to approve the FFY24 VAWA designations. Mr. Likens seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

## **9. Violence Against Women Act – Sexual Assault Services Programs**

Ms. Hailey said that Violence Against Women Act – Sexual Assault Services Programs (VAWA SASP) provides funding to states for the support of rape crisis centers and other non-profit, non-governmental organizations that provide core services, direct intervention, and related assistance to victims of sexual assault. She said that at the June 22, 2023, Budget Committee meeting, the Committee designated funding to ICASA for the VAWA SASP lead entity sexual assault services program. She said that staff recommended designating a total of \$770,515 in FFY24 VAWA SASP funds to ICASA.



**Motion:** Ms. Kaupa moved to approve the FFY24 VAWA SASP designation. Mr. Carroll seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **10. Victims of Crime Act**

Ms. Hailey said that Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant funds support crime victim assistance programs and a minimum of 10 percent of the state's VOCA grants must be used for three priority areas: domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse.

#### **Lead Entity Programs**

Ms. Hailey said that at the April 13, 2023 Budget Committee meeting, the committee approved funding to the ICADV, the ICASA, and Children's Advocacy Centers of Illinois (CACI) to provide lead entity services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse. She said that staff recommended designating FFY23 VOCA funds to support lead entity programs as described in the table below.

<b>Lead Entity</b>	<b>VOCA FFY23</b>
ICADV	\$10,060,000
ICASA	\$9,526,000
CACI	\$7,095,628
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$26,681,628</b>

#### **Legal Assistance for Victims of Crime Recommendations**

Ms. Hailey said that at its June 22, 2023, Budget Committee Meeting, the Committee approved funding for the Legal Assistance for Victims of Crime program. She said that these funds support new or expanded fiscal services and other related programs for crime victims. She said that staff recommended designating FFY23 VOCA funds to entities as described in the table below to support legal assistance programs in their third and final year under the current NOFO.

<b>Agency Name</b>	<b>FFY23 Amount</b>
Chicago Alliance Against Sexual Exploitation	\$312,869
Highland Park Legal Aid	\$500,000
Legal Aid Chicago	\$500,000
Ascend Justice	\$478,400
Life Span Legal Services	\$500,000
Mil Mujeres	\$168,625
Land of Lincoln/Central	\$500,000
Land of Lincoln Legal/Southern	\$500,000
Prairie State Legal Services/Central	\$500,000
Prairie State Legal Service/Northern	\$500,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,459,894</b>

**Motion:** Mr. Grant moved to approve the recommended FFY23 VOCA designation. Ms. Derko seconded the motion.

**Voice Vote:** The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

### **11. Presentation: Community-based Violence Intervention and Prevention**

Ms. Murphy introduced Dr. Rachel Garth, Associate Professor of Social Work and Director of the Violence Prevention Lab at the University of Illinois Urbana – Champaign. She said that over the last six years, Dr. Garth has worked closely with ICJIA on its statewide violence prevention plan. She said that as a part of this collaboration, Dr. Garth and her team have been analyzing and summarizing the evaluation data and reports from the Community-Based Violence Intervention and Prevention (CBVIP) program grantees. She said that Dr. Garth had prepared a presentation providing an in-depth overview of CBVIP evaluation efforts and will cover areas such as projected versus actual numbers served, evidence-based prevention programs, types of prevention practices employed, and the risks and protective factors addressed by the grantees. She said that Dr. Garth will conclude by outlining the timeline for ongoing work with both CBVIP and Violence Prevention and Reduction (VPR) grantees and she will give key recommendations for the future.

Dr. Garth delivered a PowerPoint presentation entitled *CBVIP Data and Reporting: A Preliminary Look and Next Steps / Community-based Violence Intervention and Prevention (CBVIP) FY2018-FY2023*.

No motion was necessary on this item and no vote was taken.

### **Public Comment**

None.

### **Old Business**

None.

### **New Business**

None.

### **Adjourn**

**Motion:** Mr. Grant moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Kaupa seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.