

Alamance County Stepping Up

Five Year Progress Report

Justice Advisory Council

December 7, 2021

Stepping Up: Four Goals

**Reduce the
number with MI
in Jail**

**Shorten the time
in Jail**

**Increase
connection to
Services**

**Reduce
Recidivism**

Stepping Up: Local Strategies

**Reduce
the
number of
people
with MI
in Jail**

**Continue CIT for Law
Enforcement and First
Responders**

**CORE Program;
Complimenting the Co-
Responder Program at BPD
and the Crisis Response
Teams in ACSO**

**Continue and expand
Pretrial Release
Program through ACSO**

**Establish 24/7
Diversion/Restoration Center**

Stepping Up: Local Strategies

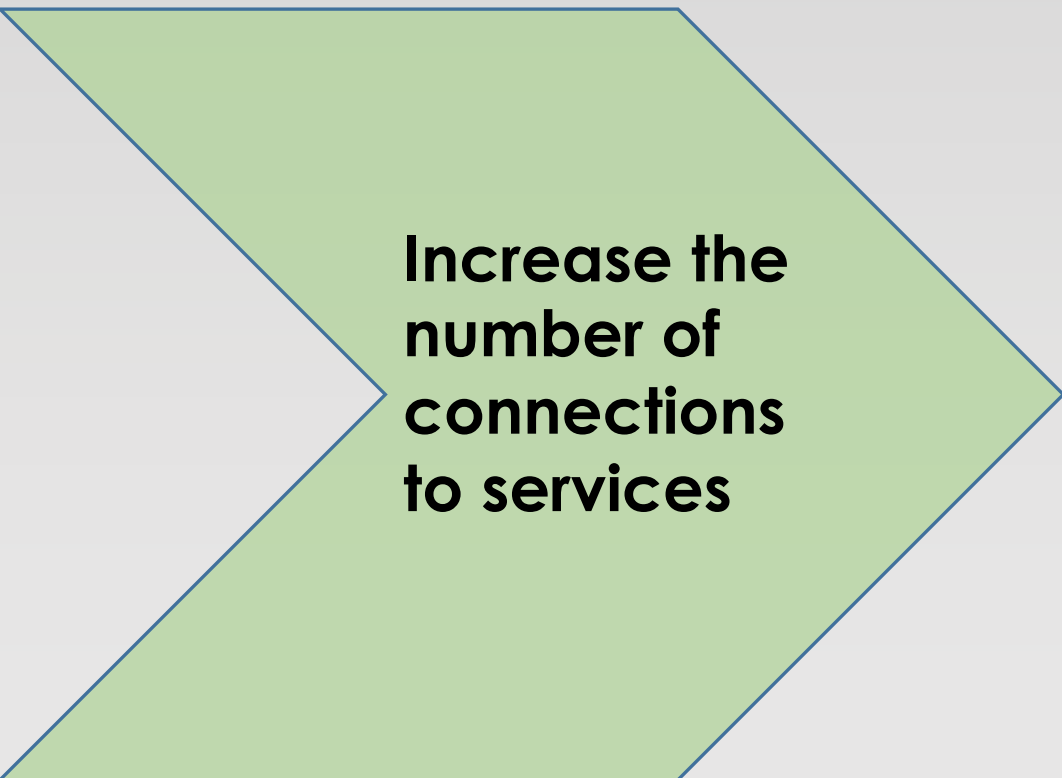


**Shorten
time
in Jail**

**Implemented
First
Appearances
for
Misdemeanors;
Revise Bond
Policy**

**Implemented
Pretrial
Release and
Electronic
Monitoring**

Stepping Up: Local Reentry Strategies



Increase the number of connections to services

Utilization of BH staff in Detention Center (LCSW, Jail Liaison and Peer Support Specialist)

Develop discharge plans for every detainee with MI and link to community services and supports

Increase educational, vocational and support programming in jail

Stepping Up: Local Strategies



**Lower
Rate of
Recidivism**

**Discharge
Reentry
Planning and
Engagement**

**Post
Release
Follow-Up
by Peer
Support
Specialist**

**Maximize
utilization
of MH crisis
services
within
community**

Sequential Intercept Mapping Priorities

October 2019

1. Create a Diversion Center
2. Improve Communication between ARMC the community and law enforcement
3. Expand and Coordinate MH/SA Crisis Services
4. Collect and analyze data for decision making
5. Expand the Co-Responder and MH Team models within Law Enforcement

Accomplishments

- Continuing commitment from county and dedicated leadership
- Building a sustainable Behavioral Health Unit in the Detention Center
- Coordinating 2nd BJA grant to support expanded crisis hours and PSS
- Expanding Pretrial Release to include electronic monitoring
- Development and Expansion of “CIT Addendum App”
- Presentation of Group Home Task Force Recommendations and Plan
- Expansion of Crisis Continuum Committee participants and work
- Presentations on local, state and national level

Data Accomplishments

- Pretrial Data
- ACSO MH Response Team
- System developed for Data Collection in detention
 - Positive MH Screens
 - % on Psychotropic Meds
 - % on Suicide Watch

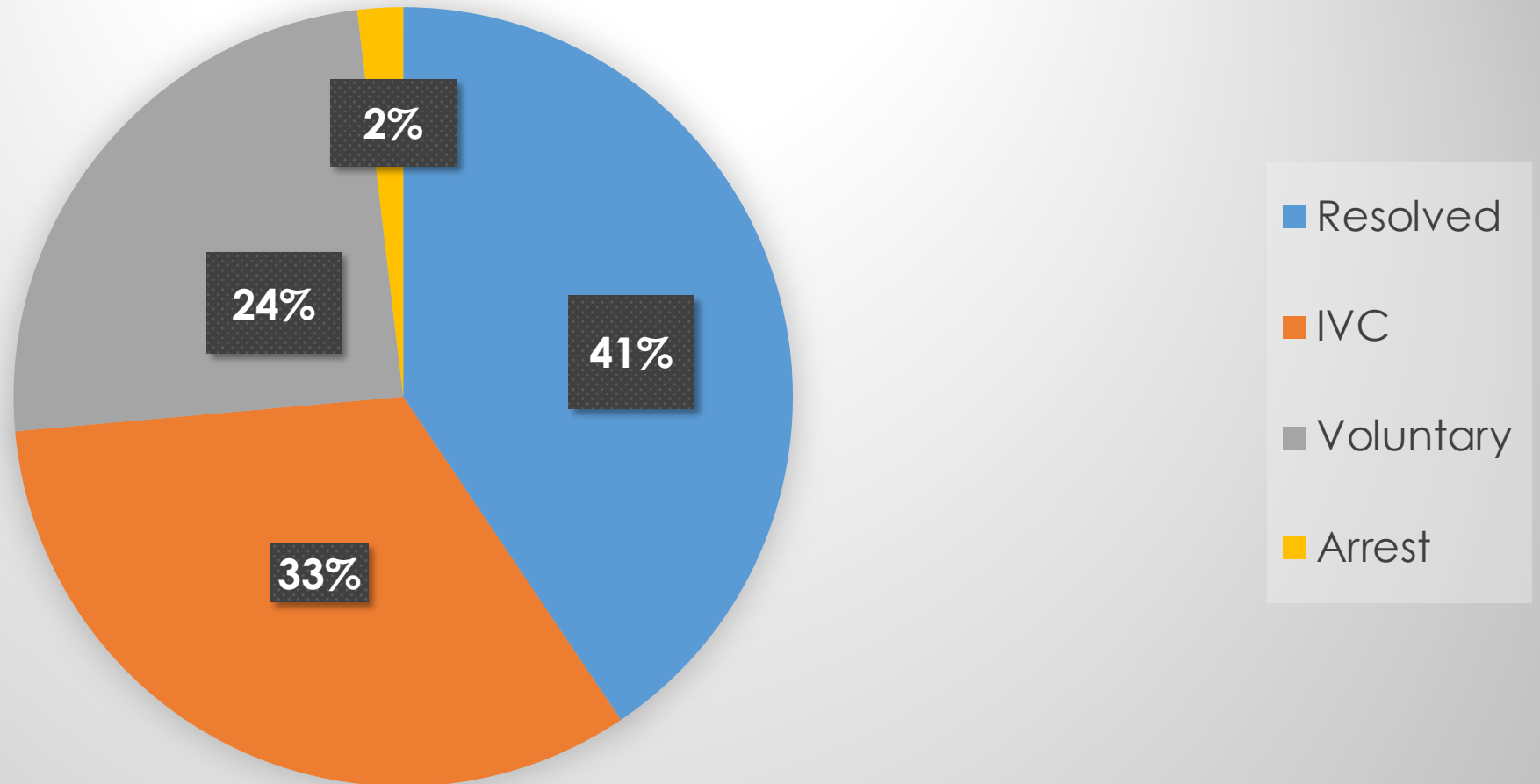
**Alamance County
Pretrial Supervision Program
(January 1, 2021—November 30, 2021)**

METRIC	MIN	MAX	AVERAGE	TOTAL
Appearance Rate	0.0%	100.0%	88.7%	47 of 53
Detainee Length of Stay	0.0	1,107.0	*24.7	1,508 of 61
Safety Rate	0.0%	100.0%	96.2%	51 of 53
Success Rate	0.0%	100.0%	62.3%	33 of 53
Check-In Rate			82%	1,340 of 1,640

*1 detainee served 3 years for serious felony charge prior to being placed on Electronic Monitoring. Adjusted LOS average = 8 days.

ACSO Crisis Response Numbers for 2021 through November 30

106 Crisis Calls



Monthly Averages YTD Mental Health Data in Detention 2021

Average Daily Jail Population	306.3	
Positive for Mental Illness	102.3	33.35%
Psychotropic Meds	34.17	11.15%
Suicide Watch	8	2.6%

Opportunities

- Partnering with ARMC on Crisis Continuum Planning and Diversion Center Implementation
- Marketing/communicating our work in the community
- Expanding work on “Coordinated Reentry”
- Expansion of Pretrial Release and Electronic Monitoring
- Addition of Drug and MH Court(s) (Recovery Court)
- Medication Assisted Treatment in Jail
- Criminal Justice Resource Center

Challenges

- Developing and sustaining partnership with ARMC (Cone Health)
- Diversion Center Logistics and Sustainability
- Maintaining stable social work position in detention center
- Data Collection
 - Tracking recidivism in detention
 - Tracking program effectiveness
- Lack of Medicaid Expansion which would provide financial support for an expansive array of treatment services for both mental illness and substance disorders that include appropriate residential options

Stepping Up: 5 Years Later

- Questions?
- Thoughts?