



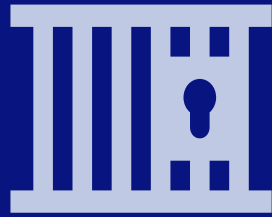
Cook County Sheriff's Office (CCSO)
Behavioral Health Services
Quarterly Report
June – August 2021

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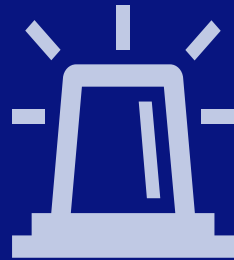
Sheriff Dart's Commitment to Behavioral Health

The Sheriff's Office is uniquely positioned to identify and assist vulnerable populations, including people with behavioral health issues. We try to make every interaction an opportunity to help someone get on a more positive trajectory.



Department of Corrections

47% of individuals incarcerated in Cook County Jail have behavioral health issues



Sheriff's Police Department

Police frequently interact with people experiencing mental health or substance abuse crises



Court Services Department

Behavioral health issues are often intertwined with domestic violence and housing instability

Cook County Department of Corrections

Number of Participants,
September 2019 – August 2021

SMART (Sheriff's Men's Addiction Recovery Treatment): Court-ordered program that serves men with substance abuse and co-occurring disorders	673
THRIVE (Therapeutic Healing Recovery Initiative for Vitality and Empowerment): Court-ordered program that serves women who suffer from addiction	253
MHTC (Mental Health Transition Center): Voluntary program that serves men who need mental health/substance use treatment, criminal risk reduction and intervention, vocational skills training and education services	562
SOAR (Sheriff's Opioid Addiction Recovery Program): Court-ordered/voluntary program that serves incarcerated individuals who are recovering from opioid addiction	257
SAVE (Sheriff's Anti-Violence Effort): Voluntary program that serves male detainees between 18-25 years old who are likely to be victims of violence or to perpetuate violence	466



- Launched as a virtual supportive services initiative in September 2020
- Direct response to increased needs caused by the COVID-19 pandemic
- Leverages new and existing community partnerships
- Serves as a launch pad to link individuals to resources that meet their unique needs
- Service is provided to individuals leaving the Jail, on electronic monitoring, and facing eviction, as well as to any interested Cook County resident
- Services provided from June 2021 – August 2021
 - 6,559 outreach calls made
 - 4,353 new individuals called
 - 902 individuals accepted services
 - 3,082 referrals were made

Treatment Response Team (TRT)

- Co-responder virtual assistance program consisting of licensed social workers and clinicians
- Launched in 2019 as a response to opioid epidemic; has expanded to work with anyone suffering from mental/behavioral health crisis
- Transitioned to virtual tablet/phone program in December 2020 due to COVID-19
 - Available by phone and tablet to the Sheriff's Police 24/7 to assist with and respond to behavioral-health related calls
 - Immediate connection with a social worker de-escalates the situation, gives the police on scene the necessary time to better understand the issue, and allows for the police to decide on the best course of action
- Services Provided June 2021 – August 2021
 - 170 referrals made
 - 96 of these referrals resulted in engagement in services
 - 175 active cases



CCSO is a
launch pad to
community-
based services.