



THE
STEPPING UP
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**Sarpy County
Quarterly Workplan
January 23, 2025**

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Stepping Up Agenda

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THE STEPPING UP INITIATIVE

 <p>1. Reduce the number of people with mental illnesses booked into jails</p>	 <p>2. Shorten the length of stay in jails for people who have mental illnesses</p>
 <p>3. Increase connection to treatment for people who have mental illnesses</p>	 <p>4. Reduce recidivism rates for people who have mental illnesses</p>

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Sarpy Co Sequential Intercept Mapping (SIM) Priorities (May 2022)

1. Create a Sarpy Co specific Emergency System Team to focus on solution to challenges within the Emergency System.
2. Improve collaboration among providers serving individuals from both the criminal justice and behavioral health system.
3. Communicate upcoming Board of Mental Health changes.
4. Improve Data Sharing between criminal justice and behavioral health systems.

Sarpy County Steering Committee Priorities

- ✔ Engage Bellevue Police Department with Stepping Up (Intercept 0-1; SU Goal 1)
Completed Aug.2022 and Updated April 2023
 - ✔ Create Bench Notes for Competency to Stand Trial/Restoration (Intercept 3; SU Goal 2)
Completed Nov. 2022
 - ✔ Reviewed/Updated Stepping Up Team Members
Completed Sept. 2022
 - ✔ Stepping Up on County's Website
Completed Summer 2023
 - ✔ Identify STP beyond 90 days Option (Intercept 4, SU Goals 3, 4)
Completed Feb. 2022
 - ✔ Medication Post-Release (Intercept 3; SU Goals 3, 4)
Contract with Pharmacy in place; Effective August 8, 2023
 - ✔ Reconcile NRS 38-2136 with HIPAA, LB337 drafted (All Intercepts, All SU Goals)
Completed June 2023; LB55
 - ✔ Explore Crisis Stabilization-like Service with Region 6 Behavioral Healthcare (Inter. 0-1; SU Goal 1)
In Process Sept.2022
1. Share Competency Bench Notes Document with Judges
In-Process March 2023
 2. Learn About Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC) (Intercept 3; SU Goals 3, 4)
In Process March 2022
 3. Identify Collaborative Software Platform to Improve CJ-MH Information Sharing (All Intercepts, All SU Goals)
In Process Aug. 2022
 4. Specialized Transition Planning (STP)-Explore Opps for Enhancement (Intercept 4, SU Goals 3,4)
In Process June 2022
 5. Advocate for Co-Responder position with Sarpy Co Sheriff (Intercept 0,1; SU Goal 1)
In Process 2020
 6. Sarpy Co to receive Technical Assistance through MacArthur Foundation's Safety and Justice Challenge-IMPACT Network

In Process April 2023 through April 2025

7. Partner with Grace Abbott School of Social Work, Douglas Co and others to develop training plan for LB55 MH Practice Act Information Sharing
In-Process July 2023
8. Explore connection with DD/ID System.

**Stepping Up 4 Key Measures
Sarpy County**

Goal 1	Reduce the Number of People with a Serious Mental Illness Booked into Jail.		
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Strategy		Target	Notes/Updates
Objective 1	Each Law Enforcement Agency in Sarpy Co. will work toward having 100% of sworn officers trained in either CIT, MHFA or both.		
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Objective 2	911 Call Center, County Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, and Probation will have 100% of identified staff trained in MHFA or CIT.		
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Objective 3	Law Enforcement agencies will provide the best possible response to calls involving a mental health related crisis.		
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Objective 4	Monitor number of individuals with an SMI booked into jail with a misdemeanor charge.		
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Goal 2	Shorten the Average Length of Stay for People with a Serious Mental Illness in Jail.		
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Strategy		Target	Notes/Updates
Objective 1	Corrections will work to have 100% of Corrections Officers trained in CIT, MHFA or both.		

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Objective 2	Collect and analyze Mental Health Diversion Data and Pre-Trial (Mental Health) Data.	
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Objective 3	Utilize data and best practices to drive improvements with Competency to Stand Trial/Competency Restoration (CST/CR) processes.	
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Objective 4	Improve information sharing between CJ-MH systems.	
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Goal 3	Increase the Percentage of Connection to Care for People with a Serious Mental Illness in Jail.		
Strategy		Target	Notes/Updates
Objective 1	Ensure all eligible individuals with an SMI receive a Reentry Plan (Jail) or Case Plan (PD's Office) completed made prior to release.		
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Objective 2	The jail will explore opportunities to provide Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) for eligible individuals.	
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Objective 3	Monitor implementation of LB921; Medicaid Enrollment, Assistance to those Incarcerated.	
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Goal 4	Lower the Rates of Recidivism for Individuals with a Serious Mental Illness who are in Jail.	
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Strategy		Target Notes/Updates
Objective 1	Use Specialized Transition Planning (STP) via Emergency Community Support to decrease recidivism.	
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Objective 2	Utilize Long Acting Injectables (LAI) when clinically appropriate	
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Objective 3	Provide up to 30 days of medication to individuals with an SMI at the time of release.	
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Objective 4	Use data to better understand recidivism rate; develop strategies.	
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Objective 5	Provide strong reentry planning for individuals with an SMI.	
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Sarpy County Stepping Up Team Members

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