

# Washington State Criminal Sentencing Task Force

## Reentry and Reducing Recidivism Working Group

January 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:30pm by phone and video

**Attendees:** Suzanne Cook, Clela Steelhammer, Jon Tunheim, Mac Pevey, Rafael Padilla, Nick Allen, Amanda Murphy, Chris Page, & Molly Stenovec

### Summary and Action Items:

Chris Page welcomed everyone to the call and provided an overview of the working group and process for working together. The bullets below capture key points and discussion.

- *Purpose of working group:* identify, research, and analyze potential recommendations for the consideration of the entire Task Force. The role of the working group is to provide additional work between Task Force meetings—members not on a working group still have opportunities to provide direction to both working groups.
- *Working group members:* Nick Allen, DeVitta Briscoe, Suzanne Cook, Sonja Hallum, Rep. Brad Klippert, Chief Rafael Padilla, Sec. Stephen Sinclair, Clela Steelhammer (Alternate for Elaine Deschamps), Jon Tunheim, Chris Poulos (Alternate for Lydia Flora Barlow)
- Workplan – key dates and tasks (see 2020 workplan which was included in the Initial Report):
  - May 7: first time Reentry Working Group presents progress and potential recommendations to the Task Force
  - July 7: second Working Group presentation to the Task Force
  - September 10: Initial Draft of Task Force recommendations
  - October 1: Refined list of draft recommendations
  - November 5: discussion on Draft report
  - December 3: agreement on Final draft report
  - Final report submitted to Governor’s Office and the Legislature on December 31, 2020.
- The group briefly discussed a potential working group lead person who would serve as point person for the group. The lead would present work of the group at meetings, work with the facilitation team, etc. Mac Pevey expressed a willingness to serve, but the group decided to continue the discussion during their February 6 meeting.
- The Facilitation Team has developed a matrix (word doc is called “summary table”) as a proposed process for the Working Groups to organize and analyze proposed policy recommendations. The Facilitation Team has started to populate the table with potential recommendations and topic areas that have been identified at Task Force meetings and in the Sentencing Guidelines Commission’s 2019 Report. The summary

table does not reflect the full universe of potential recommendations, rather it's a starting point and a process for the Working Group to utilize.

- Action: Mac Pevey will update with relevant bills under consideration during the 2020 Legislative session (and links to bills).
- Meeting Schedule: the Reentry Working Group will meet once between Task Force meetings by technology.
  - Action: fill out the survey to find a recurring date/time