



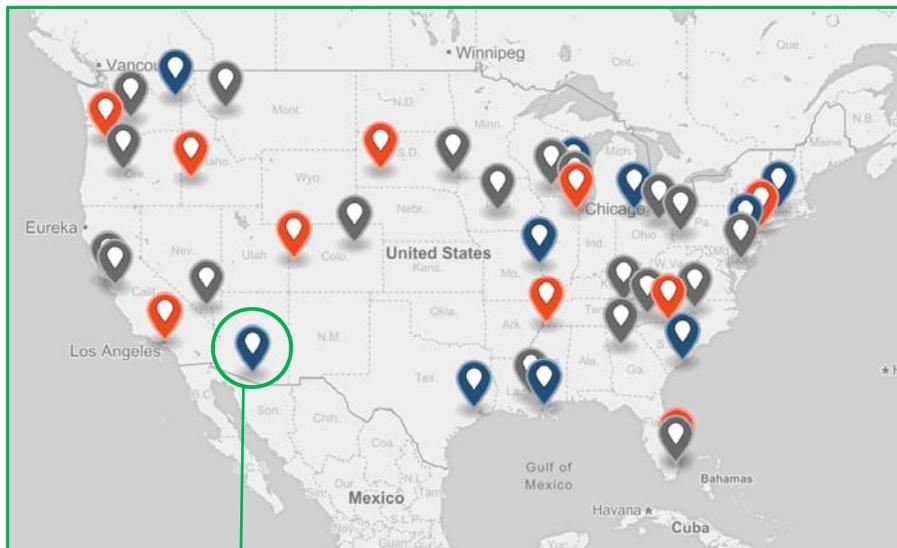
PIMA COUNTY

Safety + Justice Challenge

About the Challenge

- National five-year, \$100 million investment by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation
- An initiative to safely reduce over-incarceration
- Fosters and supports dialogue about the way America thinks about and uses jails
- Promotes fairer and more effective alternatives to incarceration by examining and addressing racial and ethnic disparities (RED)
- Emphasizes the use of data and evidence based practices to inform policy change

The Challenge Network



Core Sites (10)

Charleston County, SC
 Harris County, TX
 Lucas County, OH
 Milwaukee County, WI
 New Orleans, LA
 Philadelphia, PA

Pima County, AZ

St. Louis County, MO
 Spokane County, WA
 The State of Connecticut

Partner Sites (10)

Ada County, ID
 Cook County, IL
 Los Angeles County, CA
 Mecklenburg County, NC
 Mesa County, CO
 Multnomah County, OR

New York, NY
 Palm Beach County, FL
 Pennington County, SD
 Shelby County, TN

Innovation Sites (20)

Adams County, CO
 Allegheny County, PA
 Broward County, FL
 Buncombe County, NC
 Campbell County, TN

City of Atlanta, GA
 City & County of San Francisco, CA
 Clarke County, NV
 Dane County, WI
 Deschutes County, OR

Durham County, NC
 East Baton Rouge Parish, LA
 Lake County, IL
 Minnehaha County, SD
 Missoula County, MT

Polk County, IA
 Santa Clara County, CA
 State of Delaware
 Summit County, OH
 Yakima County, WA

HOW WE GOT HERE

- Phase I – In May 2015, Pima County received a \$150,000 planning grant to develop a strategy to significantly reduce the jail population by May 2019:
 - Planning timeline from May – December 2015
 - Application for implementation funding due to MacArthur January 6, 2016
 - Identifying a comprehensive, multi-pronged approach
 - Partnerships with key agencies using evidence-based strategies and
 - Community engagement.
- Key planning partners included:
 - Sheriff's Office – Pima County Jail
 - Pima County Consolidated Justice Court
 - Pretrial Services and Superior Court in Pima County
 - City of Tucson – City Court & Police Department
 - Prosecution & Defense – City of Tucson and Pima County
 - Community stakeholders including Urban League & YWCA

ABOUT THE PIMA COUNTY SAFETY + JUSTICE CHALLENGE AWARD

- Phase II (After Planning Grant) Implementation Phase (May 1, 2016 – April 30, 2018)
- April 2016, MacArthur awarded Pima County \$1.5 million over two years to
 - Implement three major strategies identified in application (pretrial behavioral health diversion, FTA reduction/resolution, and home detention/electronic monitoring)
 - Address issues of economic and racial disparity in the criminal justice system
 - Educate and empower community members
 - Use data and information to drive decision-making and promote lasting system changes

JAIL REDUCTION

- Strategies designed to reduce the average daily jail population (ADP) from **2,136 in 2014** to **1,574 by 2019**
 - A reduction of 562 individuals (**26% reduction**)
 - Lowest number of inmates in 20 years
 - Potential savings to taxpayers of \$2 million or more a year if sections of the jail can be closed

ABOUT OUR STRATEGIES

STRATEGY 1 – PRETRIAL SERVICES

- Expand risk screening to all misdemeanor defendants (October 2016)
- Behavioral health screening and referral to treatment (April 2017)
- Enhanced pretrial supervision (behavioral health specialty caseload) (April 2017)

STRATEGY 2 – PREVENTING AND RESOLVING FAILURE TO APPEAR WARRANTS

- Enhance automated reminders of upcoming court dates (via phone calls and texts) (implemented at Justice Court; Tucson City Court hopes to launch this summer)
- Create Warrant Resolution Court at Justice Court and City Court to provide extended court hours and make court more accessible for individuals with outstanding warrants:
 - Weekend Court (quarterly, began June 2016)
 - Weeknight Court (monthly at Justice Court, weekly at Tucson City Court, began fall 2016)
 - Weekday walk-in courts (ongoing)
 - Joint weekend/evening courts by Justice Court and Tucson City Court, May 2017-April 2018

STRATEGY 3 – PIMA COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE AND JAIL

- Home detention with electronic monitoring for nonviolent sentenced defendants

COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE

- 32-member advisory group
 - 18 community members/14 public agency members
 - Includes individuals who were formerly incarcerated, as well as friends/family of the incarcerated
 - Responsibilities include:
 - Review of monthly jail population report
 - Provide input and suggestions re: implementation strategies
 - Provide a venue for the voices of formerly incarcerated/impacted by incarceration

LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

- Innovative program to develop leadership skills of formerly incarcerated individuals and/or their family members
- Expected to begin summer of 2017, reach about 60 to 90 individuals a year

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