

PRETRIAL SERVICES SUBCOMMITTEE

HISTORY

The Subcommittee started in 2014.
Community members were added with 2022
Ordinance Amendment 28.



MISSION

The Subcommittee supports Dane County's goal of promoting effective pretrial services, by identifying and promoting best practices.

MAJOR INITIATIVES

- ✓ Worked with Harvard's Access to Justice Lab to implement and evaluate the effects of the Public Safety Assessment, a tool designed to estimate the likelihood that people will appear in court and remain arrest-free while on pretrial release. The study determined that in Dane County, the PSA did not have an effect.
- ✓ Hosted Community Conversations with local and national pretrial justice experts.
- ✓ Collaborated with a national policy group to develop a descriptive analysis for individuals with pretrial status.

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Dane County ordinance 15.46 specifies that the Pretrial Services Subcommittee should:

- Identify approaches to lowering the pretrial population
- Analyze court appearance rates and publish findings
- Investigate local and national best practices regarding peer supports and community engagement at pretrial
- Report quarterly to the Community Justice Council

MEMBERS

District Attorney*
Clerk of Courts*
Presiding Judge*
Sheriff*
County Executive*
Office of the Public Defender**
WI Dept of Corrections**
Director, Office of Pretrial Svcs
CJC Coordinator
Two people who have been
impacted by the justice system

* or designee

** representative

