

RACIAL DISPARITIES SUBCOMMITTEE

HISTORY

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



MISSION

The subcommittee examines disproportionate minority contact with the criminal justice system in Dane County by examining different intercepts in the criminal justice system.

MAJOR INITIATIVES



Co-Created the Dane County Community Restorative Court (CRC). The CRC is a pre-charge diversion program for 17-25year olds with a misdemeanor offense. It is a restorative justice approach to repairing the harm done to community, restoring trust, and rebuilding community.



CJC-RD was instrumental in the planning of the community court of Dane County. As the first community court in Dane County, and the State of Wisconsin, the CJC-Racial Disparities subcommittee will continue to be a guiding subcommittee as the court evolves.



Supported the ongoing collection of data disaggregated by race, age, and gender.

RESOURCES



Dane County ordinance 15.46 specifies that the Racial Disparities Subcommittee shall:

- Research best practices to identify criminal justice approaches to decrease and eliminate disparities
- Analyze data to identify racial equity gaps throughout the criminal justice system
- Lead inclusive engagement of communities most impacted by the criminal justice
- Report quarterly to the Community Justice Council

MEMBERS

District Attorney*

County Board Chair*

Presiding Judge*

Sheriff*

Office of the Public Defender**

Director of the Office of Equity and Inclusion

Juvenile Court Administrator

Youth Justice Manager

Dane County Human Services

Community Programs Manager

Madison Police Department Chief of Police*

Two persons of a diverse background who have lived experience with incarceration or criminal justice system impact.

* designee

** representative