



**CJCC Meeting Minutes/ May 8th, 2023- 4pm
Joint Information Center
200 Bleckley Street, Anderson, SC 29625**

Attendees: 18 (Who signed the sheet)

Carrie Miller
George Ducworth
Jennifer Johnson
Bobby Rettew
Kyle Elsie
Auburn Callahan
Don Brookshire
Captain David Baker
Solicitor David Wagner
Darius Hall
Sara Morrell
Vicki Redding
Paula Peyton
Caden Smart
Coroner Greg Shore
Lt. Nathan Mitchell
Karen Bowen
Reena Thompson

Minutes from April were approved

Case Management Review/Detention Center Population Committee Report
(Lt. Nathan Mitchell Providing Update)

- 400 people in ACDC today
- Committee meeting identified some new movement

New Jail Update

(Captain David Baker providing update)

- Captain Baker showed some pictures of what the architects provided
- Construction starts next spring
- Moving quickly
- Should be done late 2024/early 2025
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Crisis Stabilization Committee

(Vicki Redding providing update)

- In-path model
 - o Crisis receiving unit
 - o 23-hour, 59-minute location
- AnMed submitted application for grant (3.5 mil)
 - o North Campus location
- Will know by the end of June if they received the grant

Mental Health/Veteran's Court Update

(Solicitor David Wagner providing update)

- Slowly coming about
- The offices need to be painted before Marlene starts working
- Hopefully up and running in the next few months

Communication Strategy

(Bobby Rettew providing update)

- Bobby presented his findings in the informal survey he gave to CJCC in March
- Attached to this are his findings:

Next meeting: June 12th, 2023

CJCC / Informal Survey – Review of Responses

March 13, 2023

- Total Responses: 16
- Date Given: March 13, 2023
- Location: Emergency Management Room
- Time to fill out the survey: 15 minutes – at the end of the CJCC March meeting – 4:45pm

Question One Response Coding:

- Overcrowding - 13 mentions
- Safety - 18 mentions
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Question Two Response Coding:

- Juvenile – 4 mentions
- Work/Life Skills (Training) – 4 mentions
- Space Considerations – 11 mentions
 - Bond Court Inside Jail
 - Expandability
 - Teleconferencing for Court
 - Visitation
 - Mental Health
 - Mental Health Counseling
 - Larger Intake
 - Break Area for Employees
- Safety- 3 mentions
 - Inmates
 - Employees
 - Clean
- Financial – 6 mentions
 - Costs
 - Generate Revenue
 - More funding for court system
 - Greater cost to maintain
 - Economical to operate responsibly

Question Three Response Coding:

- County Council – 7 mentions
- County Citizens – 9 mentions
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CJCC / Informal Survey (RESPONSES TRANSCRIBED)
March 13, 2023

When you are speaking publicly to people in the community, what are the top three reasons you share why/why not we need a new jail?

- Out of Space
- Existing facility is outdated and obsolete
- Existing jail is not a healthy environment for jailors or detainer.
- Overcrowding
- Not adequate space/room for attorney's, families, and mental health to meet with inmates
- Safety
- Overcrowding
- Outdated
- Safety
- Overcrowding/Safety Concerns
- Assist Officers in fulfilling their duties
- Outdated
- Need more space
- Need up-to-date facilities that don't need constant repair/replacement/bandages
- Overcrowded
- There is not adequate space for programming and outreach to inmates
- Mental Health Services
- To offer new populations the needed resources (mh/juveniles)
- Facility upgrades
- Serving the community/if there is not enough room to house offenders. They could be released earlier that they should
- The current facility is not safe for those work in the jail
- Current jail is old and in bad condition
- No space for current inmates much less the future and Anderson population
- The current facility is not a safe place for those who work in the jail
- The current facility is in deplorable conditions – mainly due to age
- The current facility is not large enough to safely house the number of inmates
- Jail old outdated
- Need to fund the court system first – putting the cart before the horse
- Over crowded
- Delapidated
- Environmental concerns such as mold
- The one we have is very overcrowded
- The one we have now is very inefficient to run

- It will cost a lot more to build one if the federal government orders us to build a new one
- Overcrowding
- Unsafe / unsanitary environment
- Inability to provide resources
- Increased crime – More housing areas needed
- Reasonable housing for the detained
- Better conditions for employees

When you imagine the new jail being built, what are the top three resources/items/considerations that you feel should be included when Anderson County builds a new jail?

- Alternative programs: GED, job training, etc...to stop recidivism
- Mental Health, CSU, Veterans Court to reduce those going to jail
- Revenue generating ideas to build bigger jail
- Juvenile Unit
- Juvenile Assessment Center
- Most Cost Affective
- Housing
- Space for Bond Court
- Expandability
- Future needs - space for inmates
- Future needs – officers and employees
- Impact on community – “what will people see”
- Area/room for court for those that refuse to be seen via videoconferencing
- Enough space/room for teleconferencing for court/telehealth/MH evals, etc.
- Adequate size in portion to community
- Safety for inmates and staff
- Juveniles
- Mental health treatment & medical management
- Medical services
- Mental Health
- Education opportunities for long term inmates
- Large enough for future need
- Space for mental health counseling
- Space for workforce training
- More funding for court system
- Cost
- Greater cost to maintain the jail
- Actually enough room to house what we currently have plus more
- Larger intake area that isn't a bottle neck
- Medical ward / mental health ward / padded cells
- Make sure it is big enough for years to come
- Make sure that it will be as economical to operate responsibly
- Make sure it has features that are needed in modern jails
- Clean safe environment for inmates & staff
- Provide resources to inmates to find aa pathway to success (GED, Skilled Training, Certifications Programs, ETC)
- Target areas to reduce recidivism (anger management, mental health, behavioral health, and addiction services)

- Medical
- Break area for employees
- Juvenile area/section

Who would you consider the three most important people/groups/audiences that need to hear about the importance of a new jail?

- County jail
- Sheriff
- Public
- County – “ALL”
- State (DJJ) needs to buy in; support assessment piece
- State Government
- County
- City
- ARCA
- Elected Officials
- Immediate Community / Inmate Families / Contacts
- All Community impacted by expense
- Taxpayers
- Local city/county commissioners
- Local residents
- Jail staff
- Government/County Council
- Providers in the area (BHS/DMH/DSS/DJJ, Etc)
- Citizens of Anderson County
- County Council
- State leaders that can help with funding
- Business community
- Groups that working with those likely to be incarcerated
- The faith community
- County council
- Taxpayers
- Average tax payers
- Council to find the money
- Someone to listen concerns
- Citizens of Anderson County
- The General Assemble
- Our legislative delegation in Washington
- County Council and Local Government Officials
- Civic and Business Leaders
- Tax Payers and Constituents
- Community – county and city residents
- Council
- Employees

CJCC - Survey Response Report

Survey Given: March 13, 2023 at 4:45pm

Bobby Rettew, MA / Vice-Chair, CJCC

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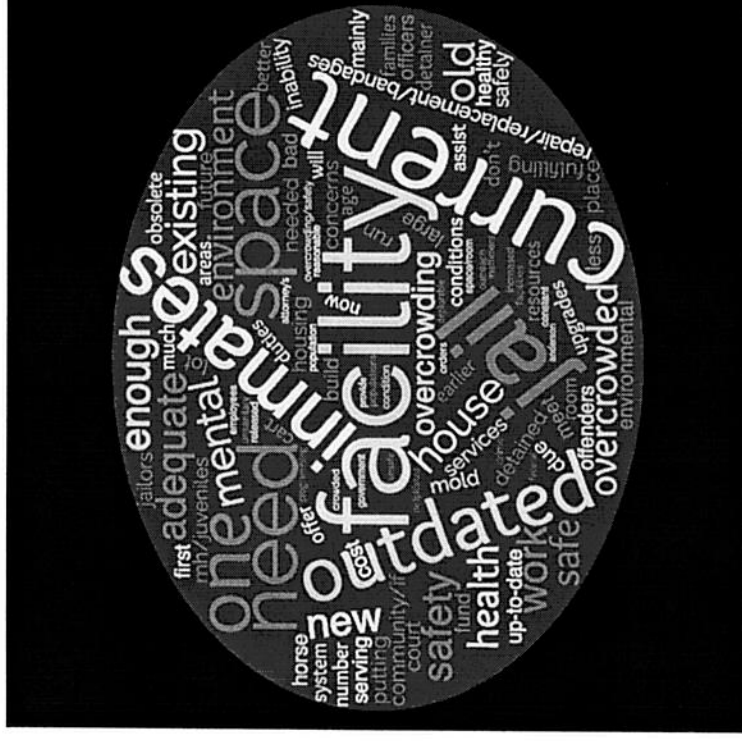
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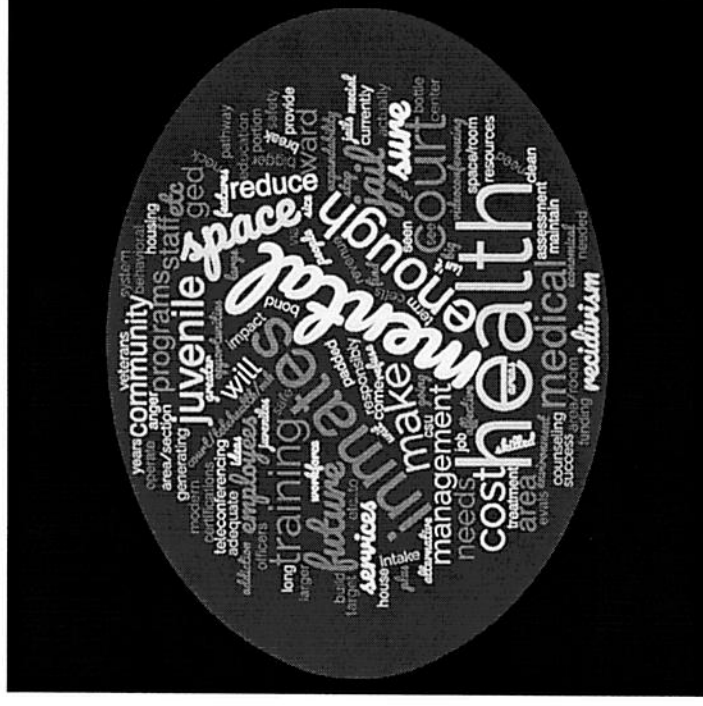
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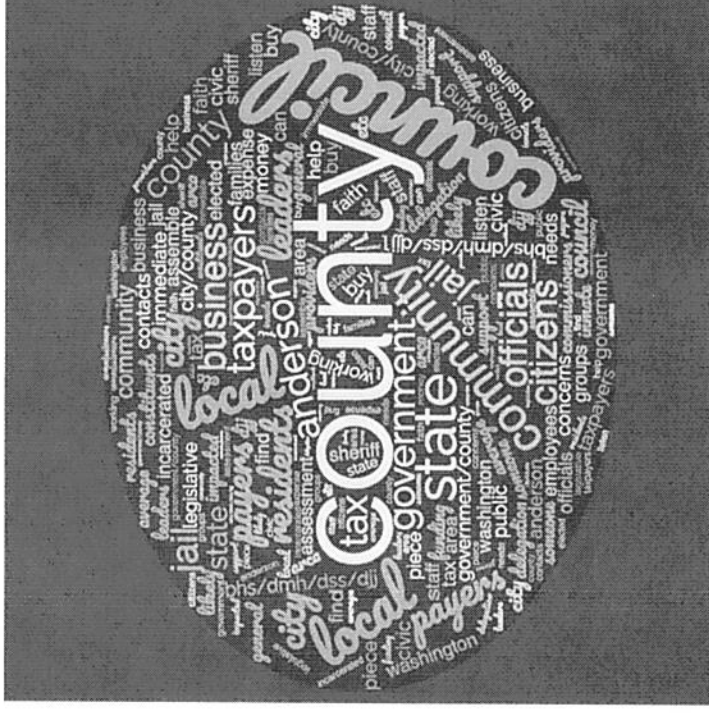
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