



MARATHON COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Date & Time of Meeting: **Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 1:30pm**

Meeting Location: **Courthouse Assembly Room, Courthouse, 500 Forest Street, Wausau WI 54403**

Committee Members: Brent Jacobson, Chair; Jean Maszk, Vice-Chair; Deb Hoppa, Al Opall, Tim Sondelski
Jason Wilhelm, Yee Leng Xiong

Marathon County Mission Statement: Marathon County Government serves people by leading, coordinating, and providing county, regional, and statewide initiatives. It directly or in cooperation with other public and private partners provides services and creates opportunities that make Marathon County and the surrounding area a preferred place to live, work, visit, and do business. (Last updated: 12-20-05)

Committee Mission Statement: Provide leadership for the implementation of the Strategic Plan, monitoring outcomes, reviewing, and recommending to the County Board policies related to the public safety initiatives of Marathon County.

Persons wishing to attend the meeting by phone may call into the **telephone conference beginning five (5) minutes prior to the start time indicated above using the following number:**

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The meeting will also be broadcasted on Public Access or at <https://tinyurl.com/MarathonCountyBoard>

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment (15 Minutes)** (Any person who wishes to address the committee during the "Public Comment" portion of the meetings, must provide his or her name, address, and the topic he or she wishes to present to the Marathon County Clerk, or chair of the committee, no later than five minutes before the start of the meeting. All comments must be germane to a topic within the jurisdiction of the committee.)
4. **Approval of the May 7, 2024, Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes**
5. **Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination**
6. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, Resolution, or Policy**
7. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
 - A. Introduction of Departments and Entities that often appear before the Committee
 1. Update from Emergency Management
 - B. Brief Overview of Significant Discussion and Action Items from last term
 - C. Discussion regarding Potential Areas of Committee Focus during this term
 - D. 2024 First Quarter Budget to Actual update for Justice System-related departments
8. **Next Meeting Date & Time, Announcements and Future Agenda Items:**
 - A. Committee members are asked to bring ideas for future discussion.
 - B. Next meeting: Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at 1:30pm
9. **Adjournment**

*Any Person planning to attend this meeting who needs some type of special accommodation in order to participate should call the County Clerk's Office at 261.1500 or email countyclerk@co.marathon.wi.us one business day before the meeting.

On Tuesday, June 11, 2024, immediately following the meeting a quorum of members of the Marathon County Public Safety Committee will be present within the Marathon County Jail – Wausau for an annual inspection per statute 59.54(15) which provides as follows:

59.54(15) – ANNUAL INSPECTION. At least once each year the board of each county, or a committee thereof, shall visit, inspect and examine each jail maintained by the county, as to health, cleanliness and discipline, and the keeper of the jail shall lay before the board or the committee a calendar setting forth the name, age and cause of committal of each prisoner. If it appears to the board or committee that any provisions of law have been violated or neglected, the board or the committee shall immediately give notice of the violation to the district attorney of the county. This notice is provided in accordance with State ex rel. Badke v. Greendale Village Bd., 173 Wis.2d 553,494 N.W.2d 408 (1993).

SIGNED _____ s/s Brent Jacobson
Presiding Officer or Designee

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Brent Jacobson	Present
Jean Maszk	WebEx
Deb Hoppa	Present
Al Opall	Present
Tim Sondelski	Present
Jason Wilhelm	Present
Yee Leng Xiong	WebEx

Staff Present: Chad Billeb, Bill Millhausen, Charlie Hessil, Michael Van Offeren, Mark Wagers, Tim Burkholder, Dejan Adzic, Kelly Schremp, Theresa Wetzsteon, Ruth Heinzl, Laura Yarie
Others Present: Morgan Brewer, Judge O'Neill, Judge Moran, Judge Cveykus

[Meeting Recording](#)

1. **Call Meeting to Order** – Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Public Comment** - None
4. **Approval of the April 10, 2024, Public Safety Committee Meeting Minutes** - (00:01)
Motion by Wilhelm, Second by Sondelski to approve the minutes. Motion carried on voice vote, unanimously.
5. **Policy Issues Discussion and Potential Committee Determination**
 - A. Resolution to Amend the Budget to accept Dive Team equipment grant through the Aligned Law Enforcement Response Team (Alert) program – (00:07)
Motion by Opall, Second by Wilhelm to approve and support this Resolution, forward to the Human Resource, Finance and Property Committee. Motion carried on voice vote, unanimously.
6. **Operational Functions Required by Statute, Ordinance, Resolution, or Policy** – None
7. **Educational Presentations and Committee Discussion**
 - A. Sheriff Awards to staff and community members – (00:01)
 - B. Review Standing Committee related ordinances under section 2.04, including Mission Duties and Responsibilities, and Jurisdiction – (00:10)
 - C. Introduction of Departments and Entities that often appear before the Committee
 1. Sheriff's Office – (00:17)
 2. Clerk of Courts' Office – (00:28)
 3. District Attorney's Office – (00:33)
 4. Circuit Court Judges – (00:50)
 5. Medical Examiner's Office – (00:56)
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 - B. Next meeting: Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 1:30pm
9. **Adjournment**
Motioned by Opall, Second by Wilhelm to adjourn. Motion Carried on voice vote, unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 2:34pm

Minutes Prepared by David Holcomb

FIN - Budget vs Actual for Organization

Company County of Marathon
Organization Cost Center Hierarchy:
Clerk of Courts
Period FY2024 - Mar
Fund 101 General Fund

Ledger Account	Original Budget	Actuals (YTD)	Budget Used (%)
Revenues	2,246,912	302,876	13.48%
43510:State Grants - General Government	462,942	0	0.00%
45100:Law and ordinance violations	525,013	112,158	21.36%
46100:General Government	900,183	165,369	18.37%
46500:Health	0	0	0.00%
47200:State	196,985	0	0.00%
47400:Local Departments	10,346	0	0.00%
48110:Interest on Investments	151,443	25,351	16.74%
48900:Other Miscellaneous Revenues	0	(2)	0.00%
Total Revenues	2,246,912	302,876	13.48%
Expenditures	3,893,695	880,130	22.60%
Personnel	2,656,775	575,494	21.66%
Salaries and Wages	1,828,320	408,463	22.34%
Employee Benefits	1,828	4,329	236.80%
Employer Contributions	826,627	162,702	19.68%
Contractual Services	1,175,220	294,579	25.07%
Professional Services	951,000	255,651	26.88%
Repair and Maintenance Services - Other	500	0	0.00%
Special Services	223,720	37,939	16.96%
Other Contractual Services	0	989	0.00%
Materials and Supplies	58,700	10,058	17.13%
Office Supplies	31,100	4,242	13.64%
Publications, Subscriptions and Dues	24,800	5,410	21.82%
Travel	2,800	406	14.49%
Fixed Charges	3,000	0	0.00%
Other Fixed Charges	3,000	0	0.00%
Total Expenditures	3,893,695	880,130	22.60%
Net Change	(1,646,783)	(577,254)	35.05%

FIN - Budget vs Actual for Organization

Company County of Marathon
Organization Cost Center Hierarchy:
District Attorney
Period FY2024 - Mar
Fund 101 General Fund

Ledger Account	Original Budget	Actuals (YTD)	Budget Used (%)
Revenues	270,000	50,705	18.78%
45100:Law and ordinance violations	20,000	4,897	24.48%
46100:General Government	235,000	45,571	19.39%
46500:Health	0	0	0.00%
46600:Human Services	0	237	0.00%
47300:Other Local Governments	15,000	0	0.00%
Total Revenues	270,000	50,705	18.78%
Expenditures	1,220,672	320,701	26.27%
Personnel	1,123,147	291,814	25.98%
Salaries and Wages	779,213	219,503	28.17%
Employee Benefits	796	1,878	235.91%
Employer Contributions	343,138	70,433	20.53%
Contractual Services	39,425	23,065	58.50%
Professional Services	2,500	831	33.22%
Utility Services	8,200	2,219	27.07%
Repair and Maintenance Services - Other	725	4,111	567.01%
Special Services	24,500	15,262	62.30%
Other Contractual Services	3,500	642	18.35%
Materials and Supplies	54,250	5,382	9.92%
Office Supplies	15,100	2,257	14.95%
Publications, Subscriptions and Dues	24,700	1,449	5.87%
Travel	11,750	1,409	11.99%
Operating Supplies	2,700	267	9.87%
Fixed Charges	100	0	0.00%
Other Fixed Charges	100	0	0.00%
Capital Outlay	3,750	440	11.73%
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Total Expenditures	1,220,672	320,701	26.27%
Net Change	(950,672)	(269,996)	28.40%

FIN - Budget vs Actual for Organization

Company County of Marathon
Organization Cost Center Hierarchy:
Emergency Government

Period FY2024 - Mar
Fund 101 General Fund

Ledger Account	Original Budget	Actuals (YTD)	Budget Used (%)
Revenues	0	200	0.00%
46100:General Government	0	200	0.00%
46500:Health	0	0	0.00%
Total Revenues	0	200	0.00%
Expenditures	167,965	27,307	16.26%
Personnel	102,365	20,647	20.17%
Salaries and Wages	72,491	15,285	21.09%
Employee Benefits	73	169	231.04%
Employer Contributions	29,801	5,194	17.43%
Contractual Services	33,700	4,939	14.66%
Professional Services	20,000	0	0.00%
Utility Services	0	179	0.00%
Repair and Maintenance Services - Other	5,000	0	0.00%
Other Contractual Services	8,700	4,760	54.71%
Materials and Supplies	27,400	1,720	6.28%
Office Supplies	3,100	226	7.29%
Publications, Subscriptions and Dues	3,625	300	8.28%
Travel	1,450	0	0.00%
Operating Supplies	18,000	40	0.22%
Repair and Maintenance Supplies	1,225	243	19.86%
Other Supplies and Expense	0	911	0.00%
Fixed Charges	4,500	0	0.00%
Insurance	4,500	0	0.00%
Total Expenditures	167,965	27,307	16.26%
Net Change	(167,965)	(27,107)	16.14%

FIN - Budget vs Actual for Organization

Company County of Marathon
Organization Cost Center Hierarchy:
Medical Examiner
Period FY2024 - Mar
Fund 101 General Fund

Ledger Account	Original Budget	Actuals (YTD)	Budget Used (%)
Revenues	310,000	64,699	20.87%
46100:General Government	310,000	64,699	20.87%
46500:Health	0	0	0.00%
Total Revenues	310,000	64,699	20.87%
Expenditures	755,150	155,229	20.56%
Personnel	553,141	129,424	23.40%
Salaries and Wages	422,538	100,345	23.75%
Employee Benefits	10,477	774	7.39%
Employer Contributions	120,126	28,305	23.56%
Contractual Services	164,109	24,448	14.90%
Professional Services	5,000	0	0.00%
Utility Services	2,500	386	15.44%
Special Services	156,309	23,911	15.30%
Other Contractual Services	300	152	50.51%
Materials and Supplies	36,100	1,356	3.76%
Office Supplies	6,500	110	1.69%
Publications, Subscriptions and Dues	5,400	0	0.00%
Travel	6,600	0	0.00%
Operating Supplies	5,800	402	6.93%
Repair and Maintenance Supplies	11,300	844	7.47%
Other Repairs and Maintenance Supplies	500	0	0.00%
Fixed Charges	1,800	0	0.00%
Insurance	1,800	0	0.00%
Total Expenditures	755,150	155,229	20.56%
Net Change	(445,150)	(90,530)	20.34%

FIN - Budget vs Actual for Organization

Company County of Marathon
Organization Cost Center Hierarchy:
Sheriff
Period FY2024 - Mar
Fund 101 General Fund

Ledger Account	Original Budget	Actuals (YTD)	Budget Used (%)
Revenues	3,008,672	828,300	27.53%
43200:Federal Grants	0	368	0.00%
45100:Law and ordinance violations	145,000	27,699	19.10%
46200:Public Safety	928,500	235,293	25.34%
46500:Health	0	0	0.00%
47200:State	0	29,384	0.00%
47300:Other Local Governments	1,497,660	525,095	35.06%
48200:Rent	0	0	0.00%
48300:Property Sales	0	1,000	0.00%
48500:Donations	37,500	3,061	8.16%
48900:Other Miscellaneous Revenues	45,000	6,399	14.22%
49200:Transfer In from Other Funds	355,012	0	0.00%
Total Revenues	3,008,672	828,300	27.53%
Expenditures	26,638,105	7,348,319	27.59%
Personnel	20,465,556	5,030,459	24.58%
Salaries and Wages	14,024,088	3,645,840	26.00%
Employee Benefits	94,180	53,456	56.76%
Employer Contributions	6,347,288	1,331,163	20.97%
Contractual Services	4,617,593	1,788,323	38.73%
Professional Services	1,622,951	338,918	20.88%
Utility Services	32,560	8,623	26.48%
Repair and Maintenance Services - Other	348,452	190,759	54.74%
Special Services	1,018,750	395,636	38.84%
Other Contractual Services	1,594,880	854,386	53.57%
Materials and Supplies	1,544,856	333,758	21.60%
Office Supplies	273,651	56,933	20.81%
Publications, Subscriptions and Dues	77,720	18,334	23.59%
Travel	87,150	28,178	32.33%
Operating Supplies	482,260	110,917	23.00%
Repair and Maintenance Supplies	426,100	94,273	22.12%
Other Repairs and Maintenance Supplies	12,525	3,757	30.00%
Other Supplies and Expense	185,450	21,367	11.52%
Fixed Charges	0	13,740	0.00%
Rents and Leases	0	13,740	0.00%
Capital Outlay	9,100	181,920	1,999.12%
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Grants, Contributions, Indemnities and Other	1,000	118	11.84%
Awards and Indemnities	1,000	118	11.84%
Total Expenditures	26,638,105	7,348,319	27.59%
Net Change	(23,629,433)	(6,520,019)	27.59%

Emergency Management



OUR MISSION

The mission of Marathon County Emergency Management is to coordinate and assist communities in the county with their emergency management plans, advise Wisconsin Emergency Management of all emergency management activities in the county, direct and coordinate emergency management activities during a state of emergency, and direct countywide emergency management training programs and exercises.

WHAT WE DO

Marathon County Emergency Management is the lead county agency charged with coordinating Marathon County's emergency planning, preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery efforts for natural and man-made disasters. Emergency Management also aids the county departments with their preparedness and responses efforts as well. Emergency Management is the principal agency for disaster related training and exercises as well as the conduit for requesting region and state resources to address hazards, risks, and threats to public safety. Emergency management operates under the authority of Chapter 323 of the Wisconsin Statutes and Chapter 6 of the Marathon County ordinance.

Marathon County Emergency Management looks to two grants for substantial funding of its operation. The Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) grant and the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) are allocated to Marathon County through State and Federal sources. Both EPCRA and EMPG grants require a dollar-for-dollar match for every dollar received.

EPCRA and EMPG funds are used to cover eligible expenses associated with hazardous materials planning and preparedness activities as well as the building and enhancement of critical capabilities in disaster preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation activities. These mission areas are the backbone of emergency management, are vital to the safety and security of our county and delivered at a value to the taxpayers.

OUR TEAM - 2.0 FTE



Philip Rentmeester
Emergency Management Director
since 2015

Emergency Management Director
1.0 FTE

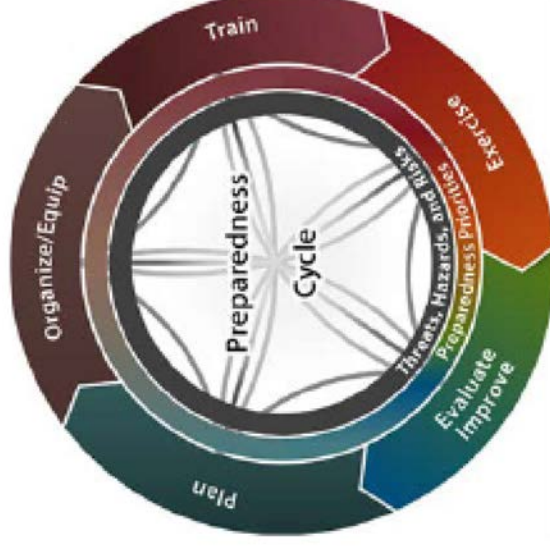
Emergency Management Coordinator
1.0 FTE

2023 HIGHLIGHTS

- **Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop** – Emergency Management developed its first ever Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop utilizing the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) and other residents to assess the hazards, risks, and threats facing Marathon County. The workshop's goal was to focus and prioritize emergency management preparedness efforts for the next three years through the development of a plan.
- **Integrated Preparedness Plan** – Based on the results from the Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop, Emergency Management developed the first ever Preparedness Plan. Of note, this plan was requested for review multiple times from other counties, regions, and Wisconsin Emergency Management as a model for other counties to follow across the state.
- **Training** - The department continued its tradition of hosting Incident Command System (ICS) courses at the basic and advanced levels. So far this year, there have been five trainings held in Marathon County with approximately 50 students.
- **Exercises** – The department held its first ever exercise at a local power plant, involving private sector and public sector participants, as well as lead a regional exercise for a simulated hazardous materials incident. Additionally, the department participated in Central Wisconsin Airport's Triennial exercise.
- **Outreach** – The Emergency Management Director presented at the Governor's Conference on Emergency Management on the UniverCity Alliance partnership and state of Emergency Medical Services in Marathon County.
- **Technical Rescue Team Assessment** – A new direction for the team has been determined with grant funding to support its operation. At that time of this writing, the grant application is still under review.



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LOOKING AHEAD TO 2024

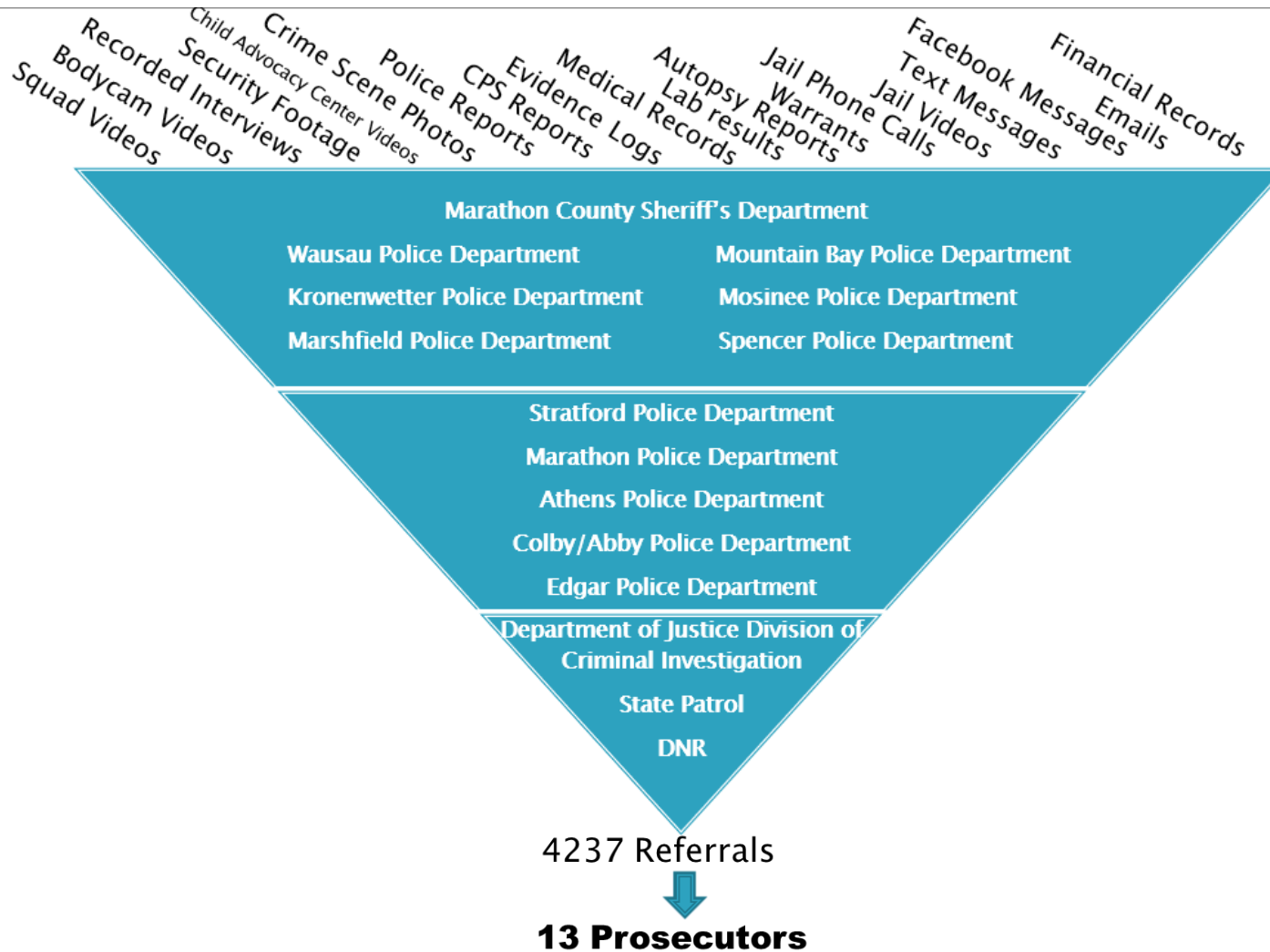
- Training** – Marathon County has been selected to host the Emergency Management Institute’s Emergency Management Basic Academy in 2024. This academy is a gateway for individuals pursuing a career in emergency management. Like basic academies operated by the fire service and law enforcement communities, the National Emergency Management Basic Academy provides foundational education in emergency management.
- Medical Reserve Corp** - The Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) initiative may come into reality in 2024. We anticipate that this community-based unit will work to improve local emergency response capabilities, reduce potential public health risks and vulnerabilities, and build community preparedness and resilience. The MRC will help in the preparation and response to natural disasters, such as wildfires, blizzards, and floods, as well as other emergencies affecting public health, such as disease outbreaks. The MRC will also contribute to community preparedness by engaging in activities like CPR/AED training and outreaches.
- New Location** – The Office of Emergency Management is moving to 1000 Lake View Drive this fall! The new location provides an excellent opportunity to host seminars, workshops, training and exercises, outreaches to local officials, and provide a convenient setting for an additional Emergency Operations Center.
- Continuity of Operations/Emergency Operations Planning** – The Integrated Preparedness Plan developed in 2023 called for an increase in planning, training, and exercises in Continuity of Operations and Emergency Operations planning for county municipalities. Courses in both areas have already been scheduled for 2024.

RATES & FEES

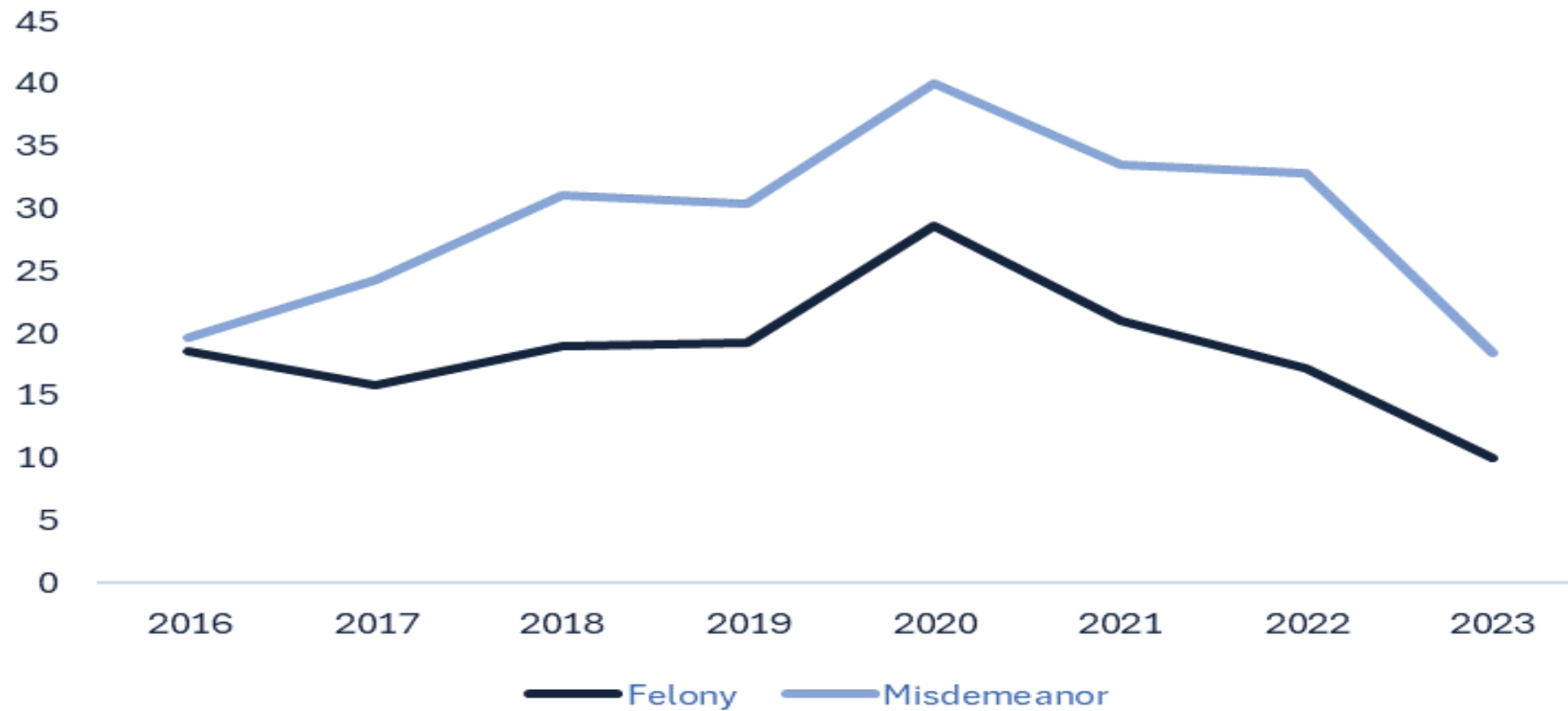
	Unit	2023 Rate	2024 Rate
Equipment Fees Fit tester Rental (Fire Depts.)	Annual	\$50.00	\$100.00
Personnel Fees Wages and Fringe	Hour	\$40.00	\$45.00



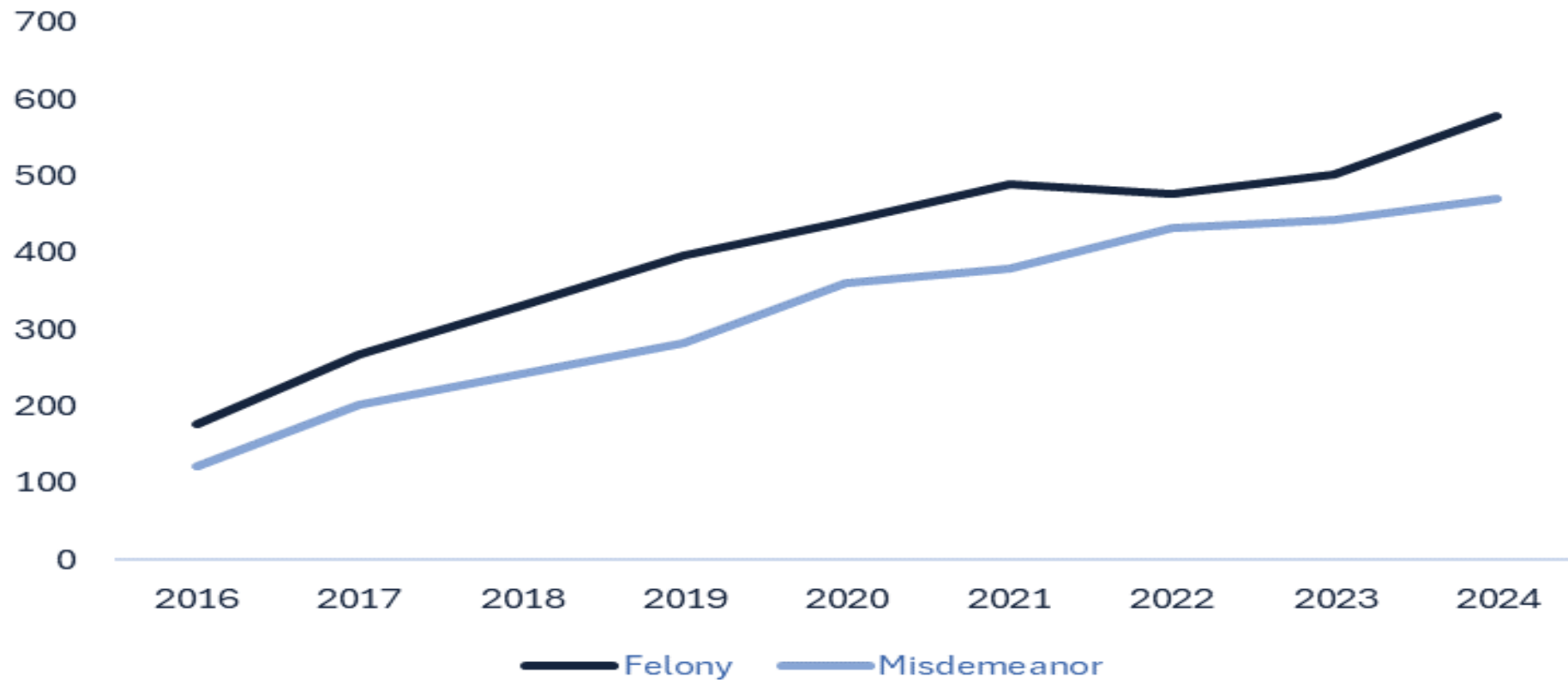
Referrals



Average Duration (Days) From Referral to Filing



Average Duration (Days) From Referral to Disposition



Victim's Rights

- Compliance With Statutory and Constitutional Requirements
 - Wisconsin Constitution (May 2020) and Wis. Stats. Ch 950
 - 1,550 victim notifications in 2023
 - Victims and witnesses of crime are to be treated with dignity, respect, courtesy and sensitivity
 - Victims rights are to be protected by prosecutors in a manner no less vigorous than the protections afforded criminal defendants



Diversion Program



Diversion ☂ Continuum



Deflection



Pre-Arrest
Diversion



Pre-Charge
Diversion



Post-Charge
Diversion



Prison
Diversion



DANA/ABBIE
Deflection Team



NIKKI
(DPAs)



RUTH
(DEOJs)



Treatment
Court(s)

DPA

- Deferred Prosecution Agreements
 - Pre-charging program
 - Offered to first-time/low-risk offenders
 - Agreement offered prior to initial appearance
- Lessens prosecutor caseload, saves court time, reduces recidivism



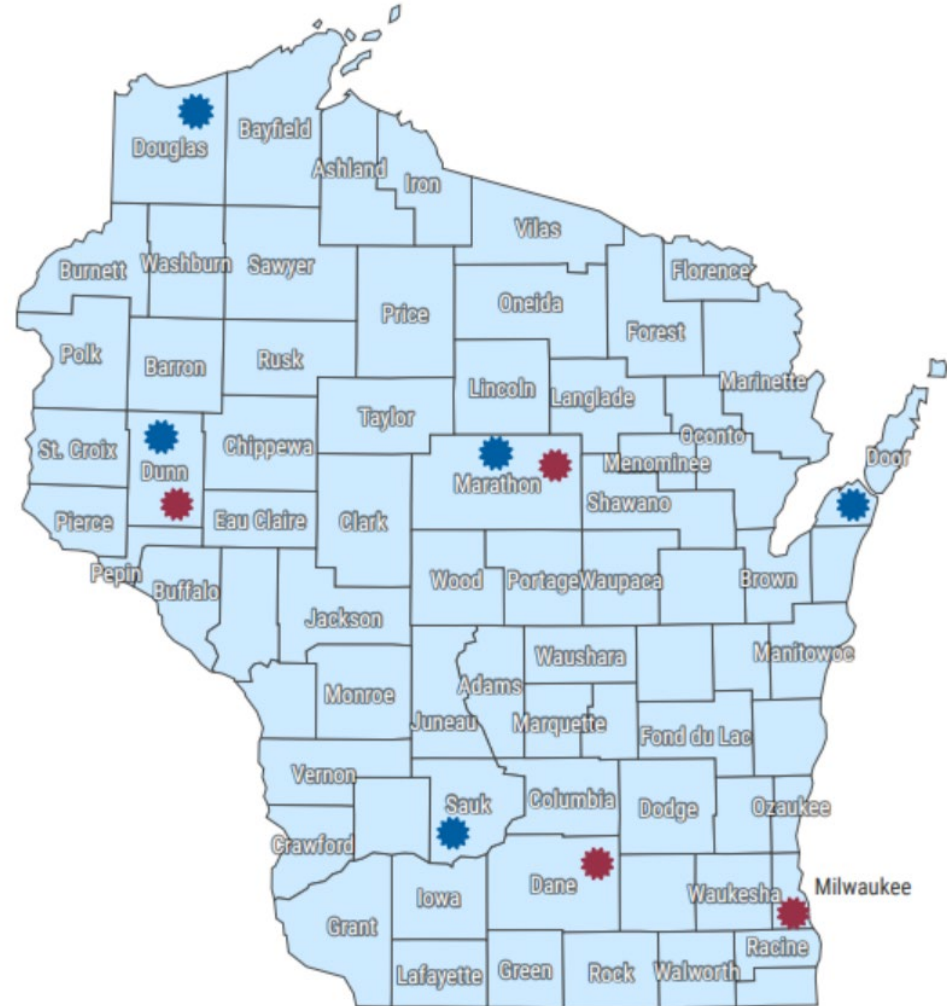
DEOJ

Deferred Entry of Judgement agreements

- Post-charging/pretrial program
- Defers judgement of conviction of offenses for a specified period of time
- All offenders must complete the Justice Systems Assessment prior to entering into the deferred agreement.
- Upon successful completion of the agreement, the District Attorney may choose to either dismiss the charge(s) or amend the charge(s) to an ordinance violation or recommend a lower sentence.
- Lessens prosecutor caseload, saves court time, and reduces recidivism.



Wisconsin Deflection Initiative



Deflecting Who and What

YES

- *Simple possession (felony or misdemeanor, includes paraphernalia)
- *AODA Bail Jumping or Failure to Appear
- *AODA-driven charges (loitering, trespass, public intoxication, DC)
- *Overdose or Substance Use Crisis
- *Individuals with AODA challenges but have not yet committed a crime
- *Non-criminal victim cases (substance use driven, in lieu of referral or in conjunction with citation)

DEFLECTION ELIGIBILITY

NO

- * Under 18 years of age
- * Violent crimes
- * DV/Child Abuse or Neglect
- * Victim crimes
- * Drug trafficking and OWI cases
- * Declines to participate in Deflection

Review by Deflection Team

- * Additional Pending Charges
- * Case history
- * Probation/Parole status
- * Individuals on DPA or Deflection for other cases



Is Deflection Making an Impact?

Total Referrals
51

Taskforce
Referrals
13

Active/Pending
36

Successful
Completion
9

High Utilizers
14

Unhoused
11

Co-Occurring
Mental Health
22



Treatment Courts

- OWI Court (County Website- "Alcohol Court")
 - Website says the Court serves defendants with "alcohol related offenses", however the manual for our Court very clearly states that eligibility for OWI Court requires:
 - The defendant is charged with a felony offense of operating while under the influence of alcohol or drugs in Marathon County
- Law change in February 2020
 - Requires OWI 5th and OWI 6th to serve a bifurcated prison sentence with not less than 18 months confinement
 - Difficult to find OWI 4th offenders who meet the criteria for OWI Court (11/4/2020)
 - Currently have 3 participants in the Court



Treatment Courts

- Drug Treatment Court
 - DA's Office ended participation on January 8, 2024
 - Previous withdrawal from September 2021 to December 2021



Public Safety and Resource Allocation

- Participation in justice alternatives
 - Enhance public safety
 - Reduce harm
 - Comply with victims' rights

Not about public perception, it is about public safety.

