

**CLARK COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION ALTERNATIVES  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
(MOU)**

**I: PARTIES**

This document constitutes an agreement between the Clark County Administrator, Clark County Indigent Defense Office, Clark County Juvenile Court, Clark County Prosecuting Attorney's Office, Clark County Sheriff's Office, Clark County Superior Court, Camas School District, Battle Ground Police Department, and Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (Children's Administration). The JDAI committee has the authority to recruit and appoint membership as needed.

**II: PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Executive Committee is to provide oversight and direct the implementation of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative in Clark County. The agreement is entered into by the above named entities for the purpose of establishing a cooperative relationship in order to replicate the eight core strategies of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative in order to maintain and improve public safety.

**III: PERIOD OF AGREEMENT**

This MOU will become effective when signed by all parties. The period of the agreement is two years from the date of signature and will automatically renew without objection from any of the parties.

**IV: THE JUVENILE DETENTION ALTERNATIVES MODEL**

The parties agree that the Clark County Juvenile Detention Alternatives Executive Committee will follow the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative model as developed by the Annie E. Casey Foundation. The model's core strategies are as follows:

- collaboration among juvenile justice agencies, community organizations and other government agencies;
- the use of data in making policy and case-level decisions;
- objective instruments to guide detention decisions;
- operation of a continuum of non-secure detention alternatives;
- case processing efficiencies to reduce time between arrest and case disposition;
- improvement of conditions of confinement;
- safe reductions of special populations (e.g. violations of probation, warrants and cases awaiting placement); and,
- racial/ethnic fairness in policy and case-level decision-making.

