

VCCJA TRAINING COMMITTEE REPORT 2017

Mission of the Committee

The mission of the Training Committee is to plan, organize and develop training opportunities for community corrections, pretrial, and administrative professional staff; to make training opportunities available on a local, regional, and statewide basis; to enhance the quality of training of all staff; to review and evaluate, on a regular basis, established training opportunities and, in consultation with the Virginia Community Criminal Justice Association and the Department of Criminal Justice Services, to be proactive in ascertaining the training needs of staff.

VCJA Training 2017

Trainings that have been offered this year have been as follows: A Healthier You: Mental Health and Self-Care for Local Probation and Pretrial Staff and Advanced CORE: Case Planning. Both have received good feedback from those who have attended. The feedback forms are available upon request. We have discussed having training in 2018, Mental Health Crisis Training for Probation Officers. Unfortunately, amidst changes and scheduling we were not able to schedule comfortably a training this year for the Administrative Professionals.

We have been discussing way to increase participation and partnering with TAG committee members as well to provide the necessary tools for all staff to be competent and comfortable in their roles.

Committee members

The Training Committee will communicate with one another through a variety of methods. Electronic and phone communication are the most commonly used means outside of meetings. The current members are as follows:

Melissa Fanning Co-Chair

Freda Holliday

Andrew Lawson

Rebecca James

Shelly Moore

Imrie Craig Worley

Donna Shiflett

Amy Bass

Sunshine Huddleston

Katherine Moore

Jodi Lefebvre Jackson

Charlene Johnson

Everyone who has participated on this committee has made a sacrifice....and I am appreciative. We will be electing 2 new Co-Chairs in December 2017.