Data, Study, and Evaluation Committee

Meeting #1 - Friday, February 26 at 9am

*Membership*

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*AGENDA*

1. Introductions *(Emily Coward)*
2. Role of Data Team
   1. Overarching Data Recommendation *(Ellen Spolar)*

**Rec 124:** Identify the places along the criminal justice system where data collection directly impacts the implementation, evaluation, and monitoring of the Task Force’s recommendations and broader questions of racial equity within the criminal justice system

*Link to Final Report (see Page 135):* [*https://ncdoj.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/TRECReportFinal\_12132020.pdf*](https://ncdoj.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/TRECReportFinal_12132020.pdf)

*Volunteer Lead for developing Next Steps for the following sections:*

* + 1. *Stop and Arrest Data*
    2. *Court Data*
    3. *Jail Data*
    4. *Probation and Post-Release Data*
  1. Study/Data/Referred Recommendations *(Jean-Paul Jacquet-Freese)*
  2. Tracking/Evaluation of Recommendation Implementation *(Ellen Spolar)*

1. Subcommittee Structure and Assignments *(Emily Coward)*

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|  | *Subcommittee 1 - Executive Branch* | *Subcommittee 2 - Judicial Branch* | *Subcommittee 3 - Legislative Action* | *Subcommittee 4 - Local Policy Action* |
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1. Review of Referred Recommendations *(Ellen Spolar)*

*Expectations for Next Meeting:*

* 1. ***Current Data Collection***

*What data do we currently collect in NC statewide related to this recommendation? What do certain localities collect? Who are they?*

* 1. ***Examples of Programs or Studies***

*Are there programs in NC or across the country that we would like to replicate with regards to data collection and reporting? What platforms do they use? How are they using the data to inform their concrete actions?*

* 1. ***Desired Data Collection***

*If yes, are there any missing pieces to that data? Are they entities adequately capturing race and ethnicity data? If no data is being collected at all, what is a rough outline of our desired data points?*

* 1. ***Data Access***

*Is data being collected in internally that we would like the public or researchers to have access to?*

COMMITTEE 1:

***Top Priority:***

**Rec 35:** Define and collect use of force data

***Priority:***

**Rec 23:** Collect data on discipline in schools and school-based referrals to the juvenile courts

**Rec 30:** Commission a study on racial disparities in how protests and demonstrations are policed in North Carolina

**Rec 53:** Collect data on law enforcement recruitment and diversity efforts

**Rec 60:** Study the effects of officers' physical and mental health on job performance

COMMITTEE 2:

**Rec 88**: Enhance prosecutors’ data collection capabilities

**Rec 115**: Analyze and report on racial disparities in sentencing laws and recommend possible changes

***Aspects to consider:***

**Rec 114:** Amend the habitual felony statute to limit the “look back” period to within 8 years of the charged offense

**Rec 117:** Prohibit capital punishment for people with serious mental illness and people 21 or younger at the time of the offense and prohibit the use of juvenile adjudications to be considered as aggravating factors

COMMITTEE 3:

**Rec 102:**Reduce court fines and fees

***Question/Support:***

**Rec 94:** Establish a state commission on the jury system, with an eye towards comprehensive reform *(Emily Coward)*

COMMITTEE 4:

**Rec 11:**Use data and objective criteria, instead of officers' subjective perceptions and beliefs, to drive the level of police presence in neighborhoods

**Rec 15:**Restrict state law enforcement use of asset forfeiture on low-level seizures where there is no conviction

***Question/Support:***

**Rec 83:** Create independent pretrial services and improve data collection