



FY2012 ANNUAL REPORT

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THE HONORABLE KATHRYN H. VRATIL, CHIEF JUDGE

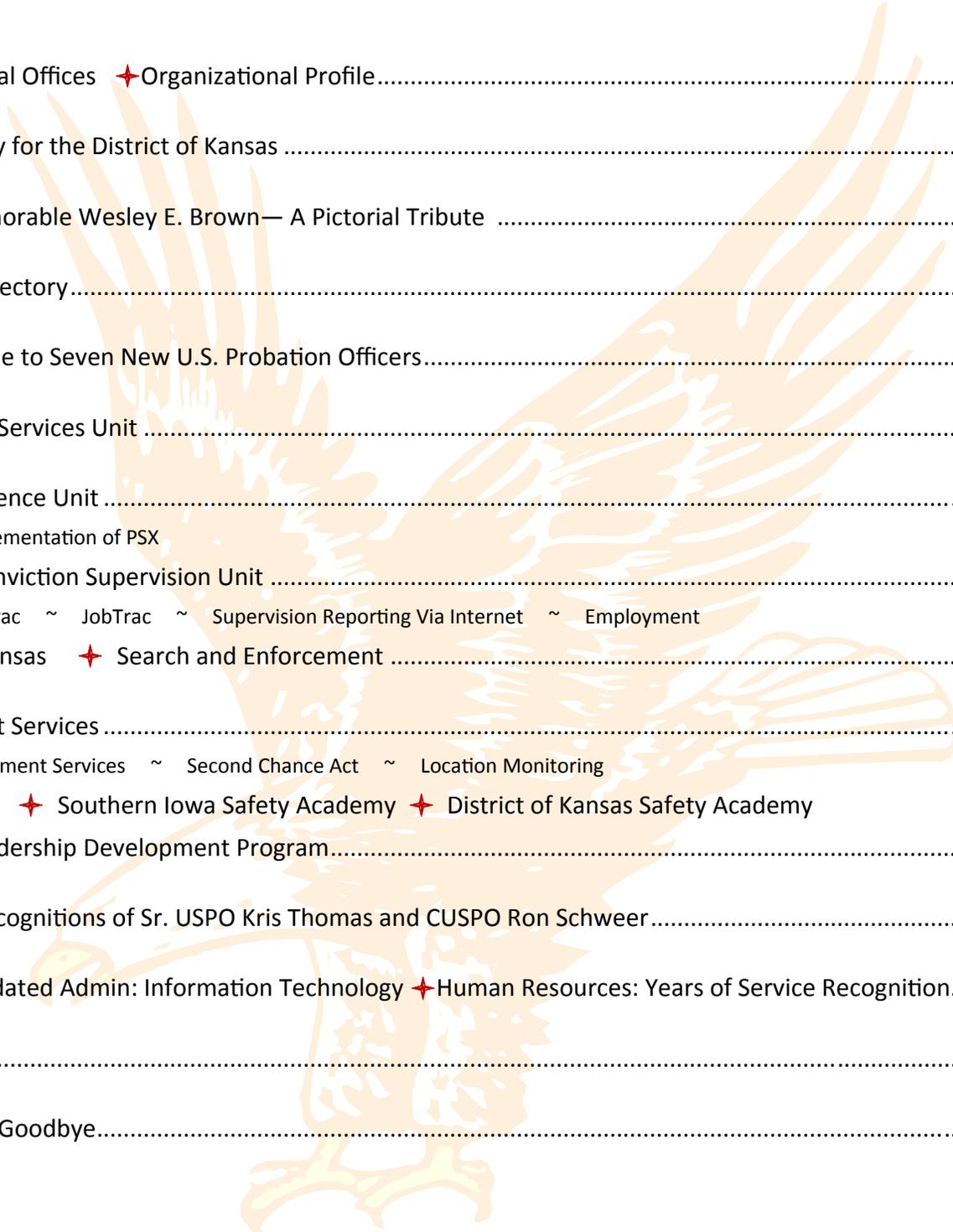
and

RONALD G. SCHWEER, CHIEF U.S. PROBATION OFFICER

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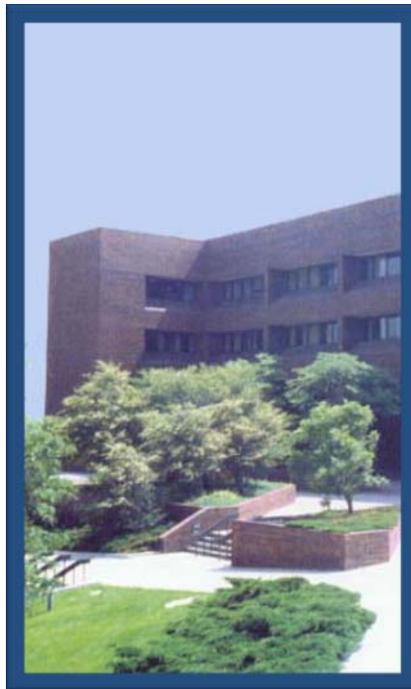
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DIVISIONAL OFFICES



HEADQUARTER OFFICE

Robert J. Dole U.S. Courthouse
500 State Avenue
Kansas City, Kansas



Frank Carlson Federal Building
and U.S. Courthouse
444 SE Quincy
Topeka, Kansas



U.S. Courthouse
401 North Market
Wichita, Kansas

ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

The federal probation and pretrial office for the District of Kansas encompasses the entire state of Kansas. The office is led by the Chief U.S. Probation Officer with assistance from the Deputy Chief, Assistant Deputy Chief, five Supervising U.S. Probation Officers, an Operations Analyst and an Office Manager. The district includes three divisional and two satellite offices.

CUSPO Ronald G. Schweer offices in the Kansas City Divisional Office.

DCUSPO Phil L. Messer offices in the Wichita Divisional Office.

ADCUSPO Trey W. Burton offices in the Topeka Divisional Office.

The two satellite offices are located in Leavenworth and Fort Riley.

JUDICIARY FOR THE DISTRICT OF KANSAS

U.S. District Court Judges



Honorable Kathryn H. Vratil, Chief
Kansas City



Honorable J. Thomas Marten
Wichita



Honorable Carlos Murguia
Kansas City



Honorable Julie A. Robinson
Topeka



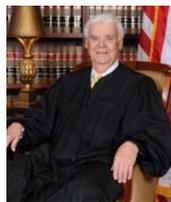
Honorable Eric F. Melgren
Wichita



Honorable Wesley E. Brown
Senior Judge, Wichita
(Deceased January 2012)



Honorable Richard D. Rogers
Senior Judge, Topeka



Honorable Sam A. Crow
Senior Judge, Topeka



Honorable Monti L. Belot
Senior Judge, Wichita



Honorable John W. Lungstrum
Senior Judge, Kansas City

U.S. Magistrate Judges



Honorable Karen M. Humphries, Chief
Wichita



Honorable David J. Waxse
Kansas City



Honorable James P. O'Hara
Kansas City



Honorable K. Gary Sebelius
Topeka



Honorable Kenneth G. Gale
Wichita



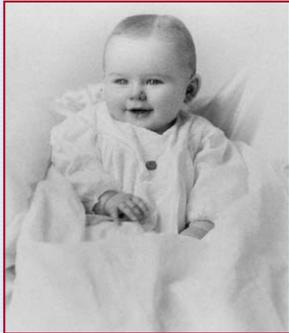
Honorable Gerald L. Rushfelt
Kansas City



Honorable Donald W. Bostwick
Wichita

THE HONORABLE WESLEY E. BROWN

1907 — A PICTORIAL TRIBUTE SPANNING 104 YEARS OF A LIFE WELL LIVED — 2012



*Born June 22, 1907,
in Hutchinson, Kansas*

HIGH SCHOOL

Graduated in 1925 from Hutchinson High school.

Jobs held during school:
worked at various men's stores, had a paper route, pumped gas and changed tires, and worked as a soda jerk in a drug store.



*As a freshman at the
University of Kansas, 1925-1926*



Newlyweds Wes and Mary Brown at home



Wes at home with his kids, Loy and Miller Brown

*Read the Record
- of -*



**WESLEY E.
BROWN**

COUNTY ATTORNEY

- of -

Reno County

Re-election flyer, 1936

THE HONORABLE WESLEY E. BROWN

1907 — A PICTORIAL TRIBUTE SPANNING 104 YEARS OF A LIFE WELL LIVED — 2012



*Navy Lieutenant Wesley E. Brown
Served 1944-1946*



Wes and Mary out to dinner circa 1944



At the Democratic Convention—1956

LAW CAREER

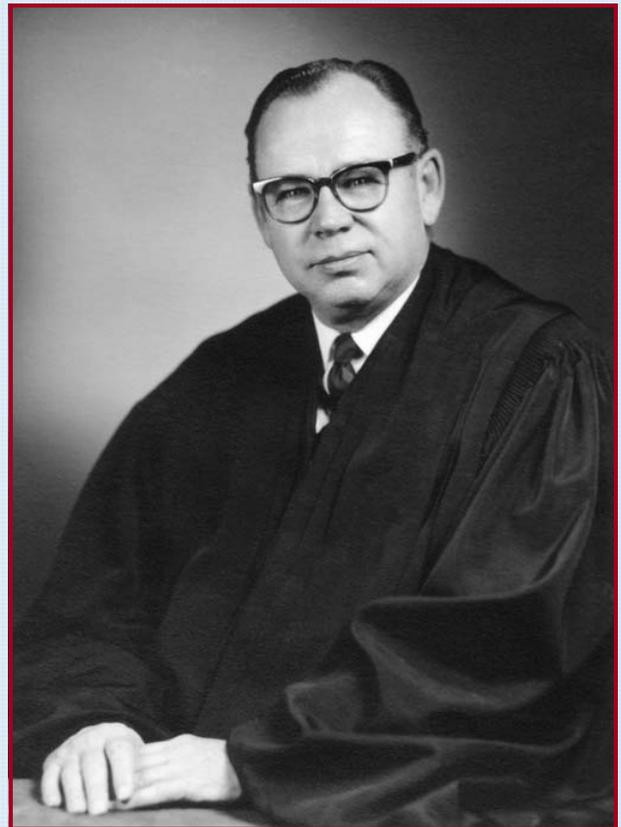
1933-34: Williams, Martindell & Carey; Hutchinson, KS

1935-38: Reno County Attorney

1939-44 and 1946-1958:
Williams, Martindell & Carey;
Hutchinson, KS

1958-62: Federal Bankruptcy
Referree, Wichita, KS

1962-2012: U.S. District Judge,
District of Kansas-Wichita.



THE HONORABLE WESLEY E. BROWN

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The Memoirs of JUDGE WESLEY E. BROWN can be accessed at
http://www.ksd.uscourts.gov/wp-content/uploads/2012/02/Judge_Brown_detail.pdf



Judge Brown's portrait (shown at left) hangs on the second floor of the United States District Courthouse in Wichita.

★ STAFF DIRECTORY

Management



Ron Schweer, Chief
U.S. Probation Officer
Kansas City



Phil Messer, Deputy Chief
U.S. Probation Officer
Wichita



Trey Burton
Assistant Deputy Chief
U.S. Probation Officer
Topeka



Jim Dier, Supervising
U.S. Probation Officer
Kansas City



Mary Handley, Supervising
U.S. Probation Officer
Topeka/Kansas City
(Retired July 2012)



Steve Kohman, Supervising
U.S. Probation Officer
Wichita



Bill Martin, Supervising
U.S. Probation Officer
Wichita



Melissa Goldsmith, Supervising
U.S. Probation Officer
(Promoted June 2012)
Kansas City



Scott Jones, Supervising
U.S. Probation Officer
(Promoted June 2012)
Topeka



Diane Schwartzman
Office Manager
Kansas City



Barbara Wade
Operations Analyst
Wichita

★ STAFF DIRECTORY

Senior U.S. Probation Officers



Bryce Beckett
Search Team Leader
Supervision Unit
Wichita



Shawn Brewer
Guideline Specialist
Investigation Unit
(Promoted June 2012)
Wichita



Michelle Caples
Contract Specialist
Investigation Unit
Kansas City



John Deters
Guideline Specialist
Investigation Unit
(Promoted June 2012)
Topeka



Rod Freeman
Re-entry Specialist
Supervision Unit
(Promoted June 2012)
Kansas City



Chris McNeil
Sex Offender Specialist
Supervision Unit
Wichita



Michele Madden
Pretrial Specialist
Investigation Unit
Wichita



Wade Reichmann
Contract Specialist
Supervision Unit
Wichita



Milton Ruble
Guidelines Specialist
Investigation Unit
Kansas City



Kristine Thomas
Defendant/Offender Specialist
Supervision Unit
Topeka

★ STAFF DIRECTORY
U.S. Probation Officers



Jennifer Barton
Investigation Unit
Topeka
(Separated May 2012)



Stacey Beilman
Investigation Unit
Topeka



Jeffrey Blessant
Investigation Unit
Wichita



Paul Buhl
Supervision Unit
Kansas City



Marlin Carlson
Supervision Unit
Kansas City



Evelyn Chirinos
Investigation Unit
Wichita



Melissa Conn
Supervision Unit
Kansas City



Toni Corby
Supervision Unit
Wichita



Joel Cromwell
Investigation Unit
Topeka



Roy Day
Supervision Unit
Wichita



Stephanie Denton
FLETC Detailee
Charleston, SC



John Derby
Investigation Unit
Kansas City



Josefina Durham
Supervision Unit
Wichita



Jill Farias
Investigation Unit
Wichita



John Gabrielson
Supervision Unit
Kansas City



Lynn Harris
Supervision Unit
Wichita

★ STAFF DIRECTORY

U.S. Probation Officers



Lori Hase
Investigation Unit
Wichita



Jamie Hawkins
Supervision Unit
Wichita



LaTonya Hayles-Davis
Investigation Unit
Wichita



Justin Hoffman
Supervision Unit
Wichita



Amanda Hudson
Investigation Unit
Kansas City



Jason Jordan
Supervision Unit
Topeka



Diana Kerns
Supervision Unit
Topeka



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Investigation Unit
Topeka



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Supervision Unit
Kansas City



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Supervision Unit
Kansas City



Cassidi Lundell
Investigation Unit
Kansas City



Brooke Paulson
Supervision Unit
Topeka



Scott Phillips
Supervision Unit
Topeka



Chris Towner
Supervision Unit
Wichita



Sara Valdez Hoffer
Investigation Unit
Kansas City



Krisha Wilbers
Supervision Unit
Kansas City



Ruth Yorke
Supervision Unit
Kansas City

★ STAFF DIRECTORY

Probation Technician/Job Specialists



Cheryl Barrow
Probation Technician
Supervision Unit
Wichita



Sandee Munson
Job Specialist
Supervision Unit
Kansas City/Topeka



Annelies Snook
Probation Officer Assistant
(Promoted Sept. 2012)
Wichita

Support Staff



Joni Cassity
Senior Admin Assistant
Wichita



Connie Cooley
Administrative Assistant
Kansas City
(Retired September 2012)



Mary Fischer
Administrative Assistant
Kansas City



Tennille Gibbs
Administrative Assistant
Kansas City



Linda Grissom
Data Quality Analyst
Contract Services
Kansas City



Janice Johnson
Senior Admin Assistant
Kansas City



Sherri Lagoski
Senior Admin Assistant
Kansas City



Theresa Lundquist
Senior Admin Assistant
Topeka



Peggy Mathews
Data Quality Analyst
Wichita



Carla Ray
Senior Admin Assistant
Wichita



Linda Stancliffe
Senior Admin Assistant
Topeka



Cathy Stanton
Senior Admin Assistant
Topeka



Cindy Stiverson
Senior Admin Assistant
Wichita



Robyn Swanson
Administrative Case Manager
Wichita

✦ WELCOME TO SEVEN NEW U. S. PROBATION OFFICERS



COREY KIRK joined our Topeka office on November 21, 2011 and was sworn in by the Honorable Julie Robinson. Corey comes to us from the 6th Judicial District Community Corrections Office in Miami County where he worked as an Adult Intensive Supervision Officer. Corey graduated from Kansas State University in 2004 and is working to complete a graduate degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City.

JOEL CROMWELL was sworn in on July 16th, 2012 by the Honorable Gary Sebelius. Joel is working in our Topeka division in the investigation unit. Since 2007, Joel had been the Deputy Director of Court Services for the Salina County District Court in Salina, after beginning his state court career as a Court Services Officer in 2001. Welcome, Joel and family!



JUSTIN HOFFMAN (Wichita Division) joined the District of Kansas on July 2, 2012. Justin was sworn in by the Honorable Eric Melgren. Justin was previously employed as a U.S. Probation Officer in the Northern District of Oklahoma and is originally from Kansas. He is happy to move his family back to the Wichita area and we are pleased to have them. Welcome home, Justin!



★ WELCOME TO SEVEN NEW U. S. PROBATION OFFICERS



Left to right; Clerk of Court Tim O'Brien and Chief U.S. Probation Officer Ron Schweer, with U.S. Probation Officers Wendy Landry, Melissa Conn, and Amanda Hudson .



WENDY LANDRY joined us from the U.S. Probation Office, Northern District of Texas in Dallas. Wendy most recently served there in the position of Supervising U.S. Probation Officer. She was instrumental in developing the first mobile office division in the judiciary. Her husband's job was relocated to the Kansas City area which is proving to be very beneficial to our District.



MELISSA CONN joined the Kansas City staff as a supervision officer. She previously worked for the Idaho Department of Corrections where she served as a Probation/Parole Officer since 2009. She has a graduate degree from Central Missouri State University and is currently working on her Ph.D. at the University of Nebraska in Omaha. She is originally from Kansas and is happy to move with her son back home. Welcome, Melissa!



AMANDA HUDSON came to the Kansas City office from the Kansas Department of Corrections where she began her career in 2002 as a Parole Officer. She was promoted to a Parole Supervisor in 2012 and worked in the Wichita area. She is a member of our investigation unit and is working in both the pretrial and presentence arenas. Amanda has an under grad and a graduate degree from Wichita State University. Welcome to KC, Amanda!



STEPHANIE DENTON joined our staff on 10/10/11 and works at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) as a USPO—Detail Position. FLETC is located in Charleston, South Carolina. Stephanie has the pleasure of working with newly appointed U.S. Probation Officers as they go through an intense six week training program. Welcome to our staff, Stephanie!



PRETRIAL SERVICES UNIT *By ADCUSPO Trey Burton*

The District of Kansas has fully implemented the new bond report format that was released in PACTS PSX. This change did not modify the overall content or quality of the reports prepared in the district, only slight changes to the format. The most significant changes were behind the scenes and related to how the reports are prepared by officers. The primary advantage of PSX is the ability to enter data only once in the system for more use by more users.

The most notable news in the area of pretrial services this past year related to the increase in workload. Case filings and pretrial cases activated have increased as reflected in the two charts below.

HISTORY OF CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS (DEFENDANTS) BY FISCAL YEAR

FISCAL YEAR	DEFENDANTS	PERCENT +/- from Previous
2005	665	-
2006	828	24.5
2007	829	.01
2008	785	(5.3)
2009	610	(22.3)
2010	629	3.2
2011	771	22.5
2012	916/940*	21.9

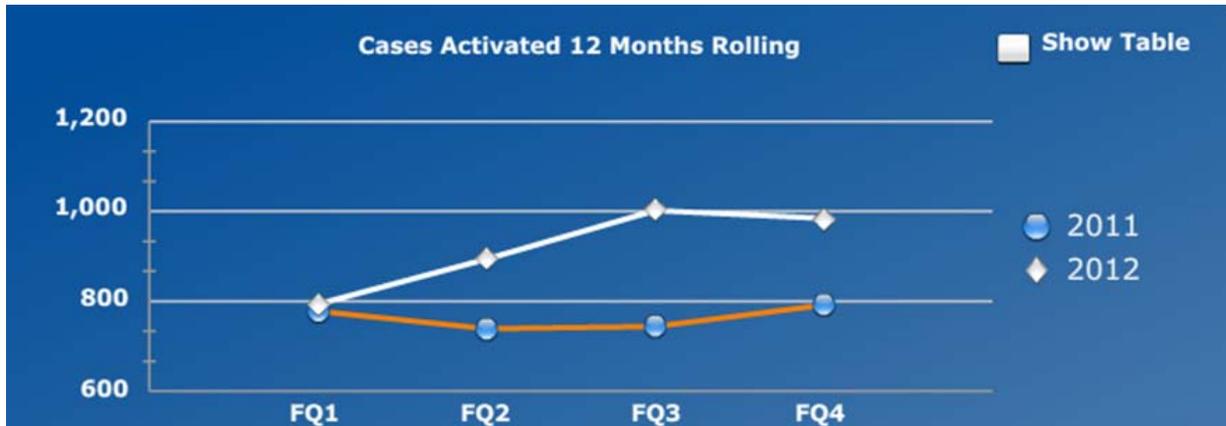
FY 2012 — ACTUAL NUMBERS*

October = 47	April = 91
November = 77	May = 132
December = 61	June = 74
January = 74	July = 94
February = 40	August = 41
March = 108	September = 77

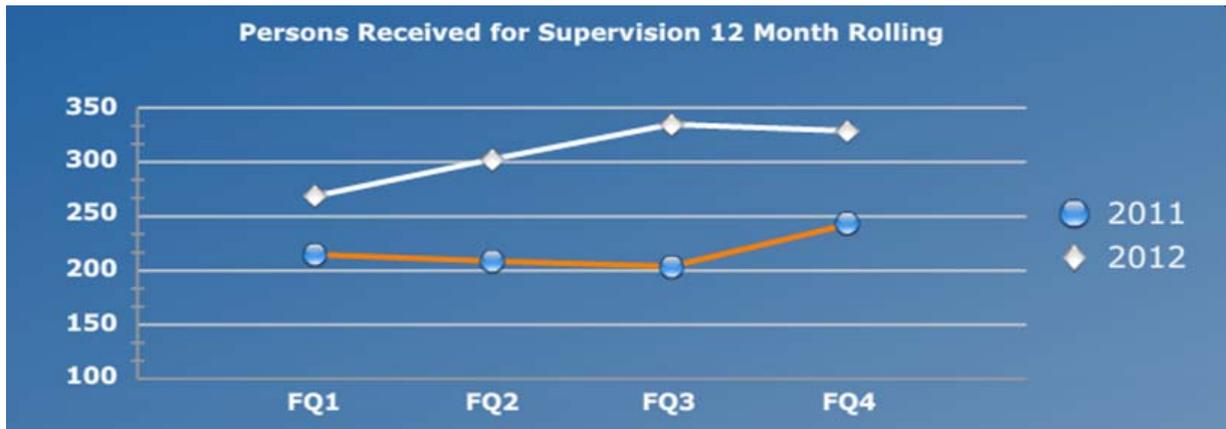
* NOTE: The total of 916 was adjusted at year-end for 24 additional defendants charged, reflecting an adjusted total of 940 Defendants.

PRETRIAL SERVICES UNIT (Continued)

INCREASE IN DEFENDANTS CHARGED FY 2009 to FY 2012 = 50.2%



We have seen a significant increase in the number of pretrial supervision cases over FY 2011.

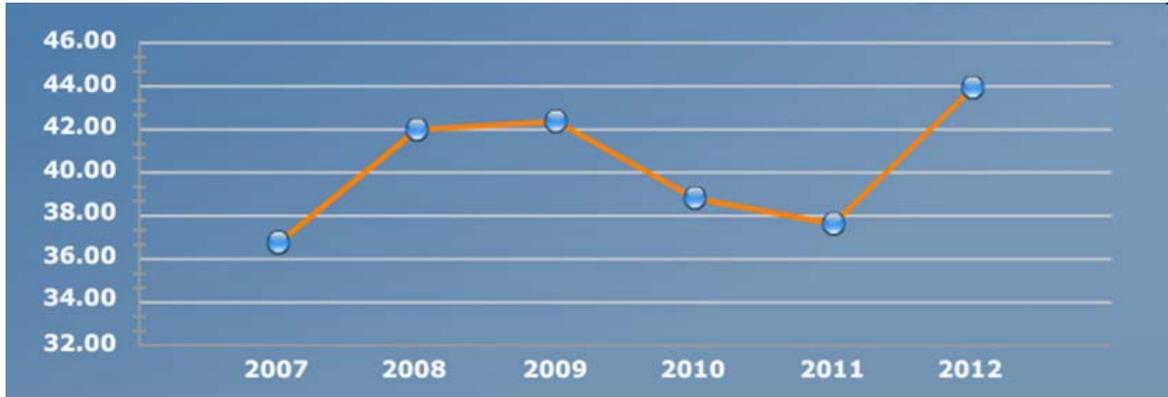


The below chart outlines the release and detention rates for all cases for the 12 month period ending 6/30/12

ALL CASES	RELEASE RATE	DETENTION RATE
NATIONAL	28.3%	71.7%
10th CIRCUIT	28%	72%
KANSAS	41.7%	58.3%

PRETRIAL SERVICES UNIT (Continued)

RELEASE RATE PERCENTAGES FROM 2007 to 2012



RELEASE RATES EXCLUDING IMMIGRATION CASES

ALL CASES	RELEASE RATE	DETENTION RATE
NATIONAL	43.3%	56.7%
10th CIRCUIT	45.1%	54.9%
KANSAS	46.9%	53.1%

PROBATION OFFICERS' RECOMMENDATION FOR DETENTION

ALL CASES	PERCENTAGE
NATIONAL	70.6%
10 th CIRCUIT	74.1%
KANSAS	64.4%

PRESENTENCE UNIT *By SUSPO Jim Dier*

The United States Sentencing Commission held their Annual Seminar in New Orleans, Louisiana June 13-15. Kansas was represented by two officers. Information shared with the district upon their return included the guideline amendments effective November 2012. A summary of these amendments includes;

- Clarify loss in security fraud and commodity fraud cases.
- Add penalties for organized insider trading.
- Amend the mortgage and financial institution fraud guidelines.
- Extend Safety Valve to precursor chemicals.
- Clarify “sentence imposed” for priors in immigration cases.
- New Chapter Three adjustment for serious human rights offenses.
- Increase penalties for using immigration fraud to conceal a serious human rights offense.
- Clarify that DWI offenses are always counted in criminal history.
- Repeal the guideline barring consideration of post sentencing rehabilitation.
- Make 1 gram of BZP equivalent to 100 grams of marijuana.

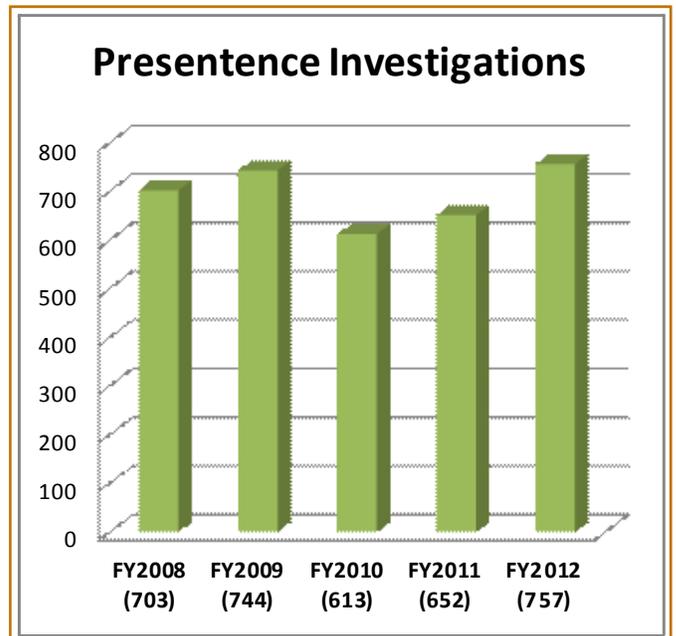
Further, the Sentencing Commission discussed sentencing trends and the rate at which sentences are imposed within the guidelines. It expressed concern about an increase in the number of variances from the guidelines and “troubling trends” in sentencing, including “growing disparities among circuits and districts and demographic disparities.” Statutory changes were suggested to “improve sentencing in light of Booker and its progeny.” The Commission proposed, among other things, that Congress enact a more robust appellate review standard for sentences outside of the guidelines and require that sentencing courts give substantial weight to the guidelines.



As of December 2012, the United States Sentencing Commission recorded that 104 sentence reductions were granted in Kansas pursuant to the Fair Sentencing Act. This relates to the change in the crack cocaine quantity levels.

Also during FY2012, we began interviewing defendants for presentence reports via video conferencing thanks to the aid of our IT department. Officers and attorneys can now participate in interviews of detained defendants from the Probation Office rather than drive to the detention facility in Leavenworth.

SENTENCING STATISTICS—DISTRICT OF KANSAS	
Sentenced within guideline range	49.6%
Received a substantial assistance departure	16.3%
Received other government sponsored sentences below the guideline range	16.1%
Received a variance sentence below the guideline range	11.3%
Received a variance sentence above the guideline range	3.6%
Convictions by plea	96.4%
Gender of defendants	84% male 16% female
Average age of defendants	35
Top three offenses	1-Drug Trafficking 2-Firearms 3-Immigration



PRESENTENCE UNIT (Continued)

IMPLEMENTATION OF PSX *by Sr. USPO John Deters*

In FY2012, the District of Kansas transitioned to PACTS 6.0 which contains a module, PSX, to create presentence reports and bail reports. The transition to PACTS 6.0 required changes for investigation officers. Rather than creating the reports as Word Perfect documents, the reports are now created by entering data and other information into the PSX module of PACTS which then creates the presentence and bail reports in Microsoft Word.

PSX was implemented in the District of Kansas with a core implementation team which formalized a training process to implement it and see the process through. Staff from all of the divisional offices volunteered to develop the PSX program and Word templates with canned language, or “building blocks” to make them user friendly and to develop wording for reports which is specific to the District of Kansas. The implementation team met several times and divided up areas to work on to make the implementation successful.

In December 2011, training was provided to investigation officers in all of the divisional offices to learn how to utilize PSX and to understand the implications of properly entering data and how the information will populate into Word based presentence and bail reports. Immediately following the staff training, PACTS 6.0 with the PSX module was released for use by officers. In the weeks and months that followed, officers began transitioning their presentence reports from Word Perfect, to using the PSX module which created the report in Word.

As officers began using the PSX program, some problems were encountered. The implementation team developed a protocol to report things in the program which did not work so team members could determine how to correct these things. With some changes along the way, the development of modified versions of the original Word templates, and some follow up training sessions with staff to work through issues where officers struggled, after a few months of use, the program became user friendly and more efficient.

After the implementation of the Presentence Report using PSX, the District then moved forward with migrating from creating the bail report from a PACTS based document which developed the report into an Adobe format, to using PSX to create the bail report into a Microsoft Word document, the same way the Presentence Report works. The Pretrial Officers in the District provided input into using the PSX/Word program and began testing it after a Word template was developed. Since the implementation team worked through most of the common issues during the development of the presentence report, the transition to using PSX for the bail report was much simpler. The PSX bail report was implemented for use by the District in May 2012.

Making the transition to the PSX required investigation officers to make substantial changes in the way they create their reports and do their work. However, embracing the changes in PACTS and utilizing the resources of it is essential to the continuing evolution of PACTS.



POST-CONVICTION SUPERVISION UNIT

KAN-TRAC *by Sr. USPO Chris McNiel*

Our Wichita division holds the Kansas Treatment Re-Entry Assistance Court (KAN-TRAC) which is celebrating its' four year anniversary. KAN-TRAC is presided over by Chief U.S. Magistrate Judge Karen Humphreys in conjunction with U.S. Magistrate Judge Kenneth Gale.

The team consisting of attorneys, treatment providers and probation officers continues to be actively engaged in bi-weekly court sessions. The number of federal client participants involved in the program is limited to an optimal number of ten. Three participants successfully completed and graduated from the program in 2012.

Visitors of divergent interests frequent the court room sessions. Reno County District Court Judge Joe McCarville and his drug court team observed a team staffing and court session to gain insight in the program.



JOB-TRAC *By Annelies Snook and Sandee Munson*

The Job Track program is operating in all three divisional offices meeting once a week for twelve weeks. Officers identify clients who are unemployed and encourage them to attend Job Track sessions. Staff offer advice on how to seek employment, basic interviewing skills, proper appearance, job leads, and networking skills. We often bring in outside speakers who may speak to what they look for in job candidates, the skill-sets necessary for employment, how candidates should present themselves, etc. During FY2012, we had 255 clients go through the Job-Trak Program.

SUPERVISION REPORTING VIA INTERNET

At the end of FY 2011, we were beginning to implement the electronic monthly reporting system. This year, we have significantly increased the number of clients who are submitting reports in this manner. During FY2012 in pretrial, we had a total of 60 clients using the internet to submit their monthly reports.

On the post-conviction side, we enlisted 230 clients to submit monthly reports via the internet.

These statistics continue to increase monthly as officers identify clients with the ability to access the internet and assist them in the use of this system.

EMPLOYMENT

Thanks to the diligence of our employment specialists, Sandee Munson and Annelies Snook along with our officers, during FY2012, Kansas consistently ranked in the top 10 districts with the highest percentage of employed offenders.

Those on supervision in the Kansas City office with culinary skills or interest, are encouraged to participate in Culinary Cornerstones. This is a free, intensive 12-week program in food service and preparation offered through Episcopal Community Services. Mentoring by previous students and presentations by current food service employees provide students with a realistic view of opportunities in the industry. Students spend about 2-1/2 hours daily in the classroom, followed by 3 to 4 hours of hands-on experience. They assist in planning, preparing, and serving catered meals for various community groups. A required catering event for each class generates a lot of enthusiasm and builds self-confidence.

Following graduation, the program assists students in finding employment in the food service industry.

(See the photo on page 20 of our Culinary Cornerstones graduate.)

EMPLOYMENT (Continued)



Jeffrey Jackson upon graduation from Culinary Cornerstones

The Kansas City Kansas Black Chamber of Commerce offers a program called Advanced CSR (Customer Service Rep) and is funded through the Workforce Investment Act. This is a 160 hour, four week training program which offers a wide range of classes instructing participants in how to identify customer needs, mediate and negotiate client concerns. The course provides leadership principles and each client is assigned a job coach and mentor to assist them in their personal job search. This assistance and the networking opportunities continue after graduation if needed.

WALK KANSAS

Walk Kansas is a health initiative sponsored by Kansas State University Agricultural Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service. Sr. U.S. Probation Officer Rod Freeman has spearheaded this program in our district over the past several years. In an effort to promote a healthy lifestyle, co-workers form teams of six people who focus on leading a healthier life by being more active, making better nutrition choices, and learning positive ways to deal with stress. Teams track their minutes of physical activity and food choices during the 8-week challenge.

In 2012, three of the six teams met the Walk Kansas mileage challenge, which was five hours per week of activity per team participant, or the distance of across the state of Kansas and back. Each office sponsored different activities at the end of the event, including a healthy brown bag lunch in Kansas City.

SEARCH & ENFORCEMENT

by ADCUSPO Trey Burton and Sr. USPO Bryce Beckett

On June 1, 2010, the U.S. Probation Office in the District of Kansas established a formal search and seizure program. Sr. USPO Bryce Beckett serves as the Coordinator of the program. ADCUSPO Trey Burton, SUSPO Scott Jones and USPO John Derby serve as team leaders.

During calendar year 2012, there were a total of fourteen searches conducted. These searches ranged from consent searches completed by officers while in the field, to full scale search operations conducted by the district's Search & Enforcement Team (SET). These fourteen searches included six consent searches (offenders' homes/ vehicles); seven court ordered searches (offenders' homes/ vehicles/ storage facilities); and one compliance search (Kansas City Community Corrections RRC).



These searches resulted in the recovery of a significant amount of contraband, including, but not limited to: weapons, pornography, computers (other computer/electronic/media related items), drugs, drug paraphernalia, and other items associated with the violations of conditions of supervision.

During this past year SET members have participated in routine training generally on a monthly basis. Some of the training has included safety, evidence collection, and the use of field drug test kits.

The District of Kansas continues to develop the search and seizure program to serve as a supervision tool to address non-compliance and community risk.

CONTRACT SERVICES by Sr. USPO Michelle Caples, Sr. USPO Wade Reichmann & DQA Linda Grissom

During FY 2012, the District of Kansas spent a total of \$1,449,583.14 on drug detection, substance abuse treatment, electronic monitoring, mental health counseling, sex offender treatment, and halfway house placement. This represents an increase of approximately 17.6% over FY 2011 expenses.

Pretrial Supervisions (excluding Courtesy-Out)					
FY2011			FY2012		
# Supv Clients	# with Clinical Services	% with Clinical Services	# Supv Clients	# with Clinical Services	% with Clinical Services
418	255	61%	517	261	50%

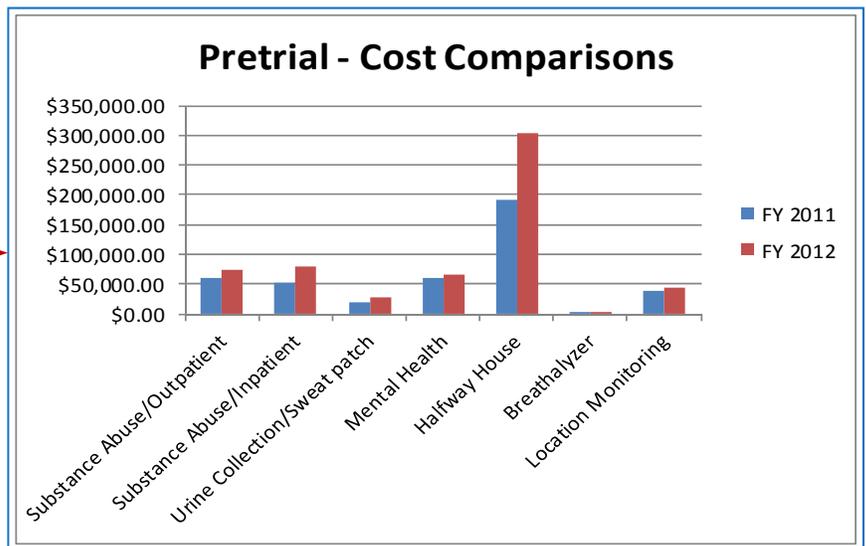
Post Conviction Active Supervisions					
FY2011			FY2012		
# Supv Clients	# with Clinical Services	% with Clinical Services	# Supv Clients	# with Clinical Services	% with Clinical Services
1,600	773	48%	1,620	679	42%

The Probation and Pretrial Services Office maintains contracts with 18 agencies in 36 locations across the district for clinical services to federal defendants and offenders. In FY 2012, the U.S. Probation Office in the District of Kansas realized a 24% increase in active pretrial supervision cases and an increase of 1.25% in active post-conviction supervision cases.

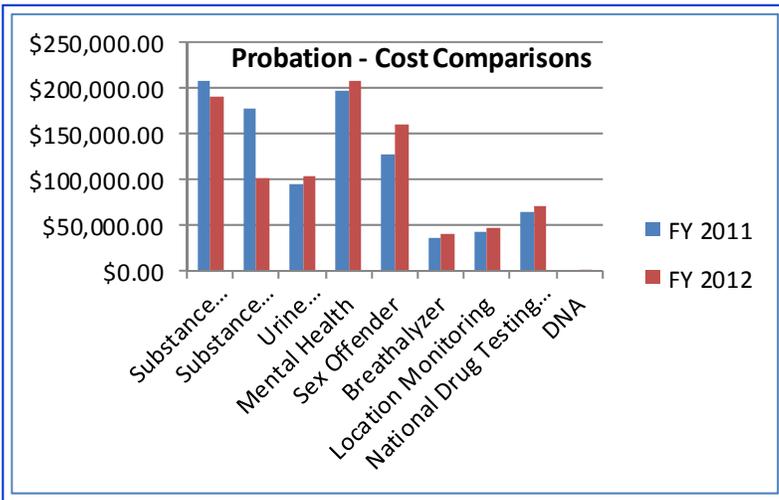
Of those individuals under supervision in FY 2012, 50% of pretrial defendants and 42% of post-conviction offenders participated in drug detection, substance abuse counseling, mental health counseling, halfway house placement, and/or sex offender treatment. The significant increase in pretrial supervision cases accounts for the increased costs in FY 2012.

As indicated in the following diagrams, the largest pretrial cost increases were realized in halfway house placement, drug testing, and inpatient treatment. For post-conviction cases, inpatient treatment significantly decreased.

- Pretrial: Percentage of Change from FY2011**
- Substance abuse/outpatient - 26% increase
 - Substance abuse/inpatient - 50% increase
 - Sex offender treatment - N/A
 - Urine collection/sweat patch - 55% increase
 - Mental health - 10.2% increase
 - Breathalyzer - 6.7% reduction
 - Location monitoring - 17.5% increase
 - Halfway house placement – 58% increase



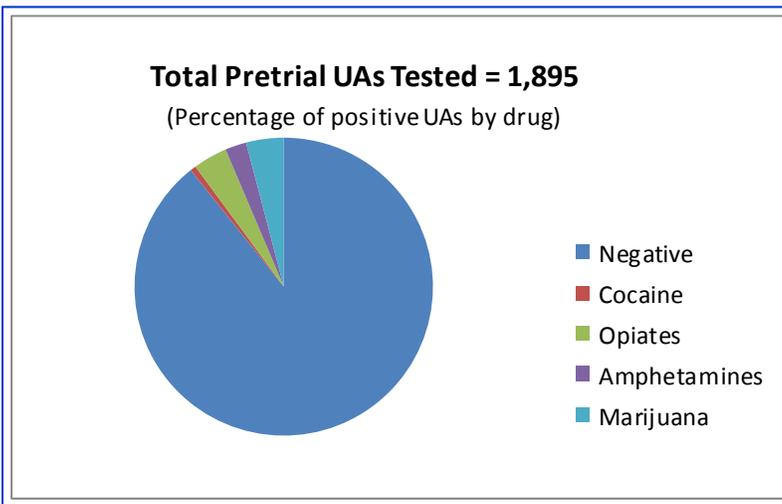
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Probation: Percentage of Change from FY2011

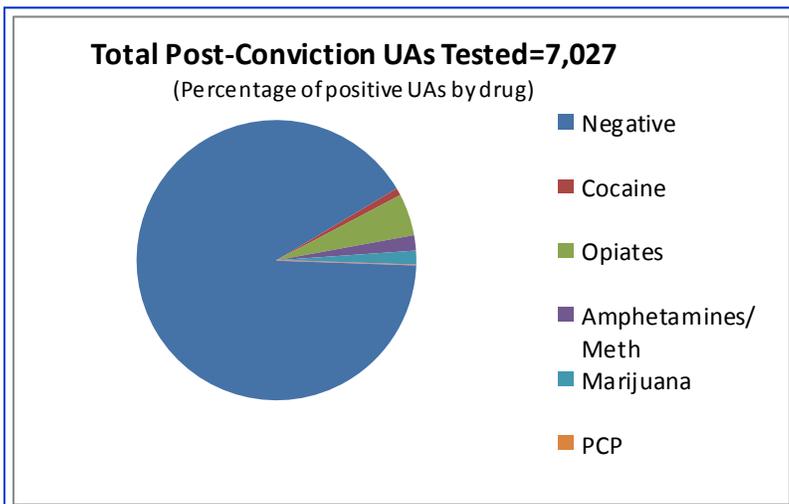
Substance abuse/Outpatient	-8.3%
Substance abuse/Inpatient	-43%
Sex offender treatment	+25%
Urine collection/sweat patch	+8%
Mental health	+5%
Breathalyzer	-6.6%
Location monitoring	+9.5%
National drug testing lab	+11%

The District of Kansas continues to use the Albuquerque Regional Laboratory, non-instrumented drug tests (NIDTs), and Alere Toxicology for drug testing, depending on the testing location and need. Drug test statistics are shown here:



Total Pretrial UAs Tested = 1,895
(Percentage of Positive UAs by Drug)

Negative	89%	1,692
Cocaine	1%	12
Opiates	4%	70
Amphetamines	2%	44
Marijuana	3%	77



Total Post-Conviction UAs Tested = 7,027
(Percentage of Positive UAs by Drug)

Negative	91%	6,387
Cocaine	1%	60
Opiates	5%	340
Amphetamines	2%	124
Marijuana	1%	113
PCP, Benzodiazepines and Alcohol	< 1%	

CONTRACT SERVICES (Continued)

In FY 2012, the U.S. Probation and Pretrial Services Office collected \$119,704 in defendant and offender copayments, a 17.9% increase from FY 2011. Compared to total expenditures, we collected 8% of total costs in FY 2012 as compared to 7.8% of total costs in FY 2011.

In order to assist in assessing the efficacy of clinical services, the U.S. Probation Office provides defendants and offenders with post-treatment surveys following their successful completion of treatment. The surveys allow them the opportunity to offer feedback as to how the program helped them, as well as offer comments regarding any changes or improvements. On a scale of 1 to 10 (with 10 being excellent and 1 being unsatisfactory), 81% of those who returned the surveys rated their treatment as a 9 or 10. Many individuals commented about how helpful it was to have an unbiased person with whom to address their feelings and problems, and others mentioned that they looked forward to counseling.

Second Chance Act

In FY 2011, Second Chance Act funding was primarily been used to provide transportation to defendants and offenders who were not eligible for transportation services for treatment purposes and had no other resources. In FY 2012, the U.S. Probation Office spent \$11,506.96 (an 871.7% increase over the \$1,184.73 spent in FY 2011). We also expanded the areas for which funds were provided.

FY 2012 SECOND CHANCE ACT EXPENDITURES		
Expense	Dollar Amount	% of Total Expenditures
Medical (tattoo removal)	4,500.00	39%
Transportation	3,523.00	31%
Housing/Utilities	2,982.20	26%
Department of Homeland Security	380.00	3%
Clothing	74.21	.006%
Drivers' licenses	47.55	.004%

Location Monitoring *by USPO Scott Phillips*

The District of Kansas, Location Monitoring Program (LMP) primarily utilizes three (3) types of monitoring equipment to monitor curfew, home detention and home incarceration conditions as well as two (2) types to monitor alcohol usage:

TYPE & COSTS OF ELECTRONIC MONITORING:

1. **Radio Frequency (RF) Monitoring** consists of a non-removable ankle bracelet attached to the participant's wrist or ankle. The bracelet emits a radio signal to a receiver/dialer unit located inside the participant's home. When the participant's bracelet is within range of the receiver/dialer, he/she is considered "home". Likewise, when the participant's bracelet is too far away to be picked up by the receiver/dialer, he/she is considered away from their residence. The equipment notifies the supervising officer when the participant is home, leaves the residence, or tampers with the equipment. Typically, this form of equipment is used to monitor curfew restrictions or home incarceration cases. Costs associated with RF Monitoring are \$3.18 per day.
2. **Passive Global Positioning Monitoring (Passive GPS)** consists of the participant wearing a non-removable ankle bracelet, a receiver/dialer inside his/her residence and carrying a GPS tracker when he/she leaves the residence. Upon the participant's return to the residence, the GPS tracker is docked to the receiver/dialer which then reports where the participant has traveled. The Passive GPS Monitoring provides a wealth of information regarding the participant's movement within the community, allowing the supervising officer to better enforce the restrictions associated with no contact orders and negative associations. Costs associated with Passive GPS Monitoring are \$5.75 per day.

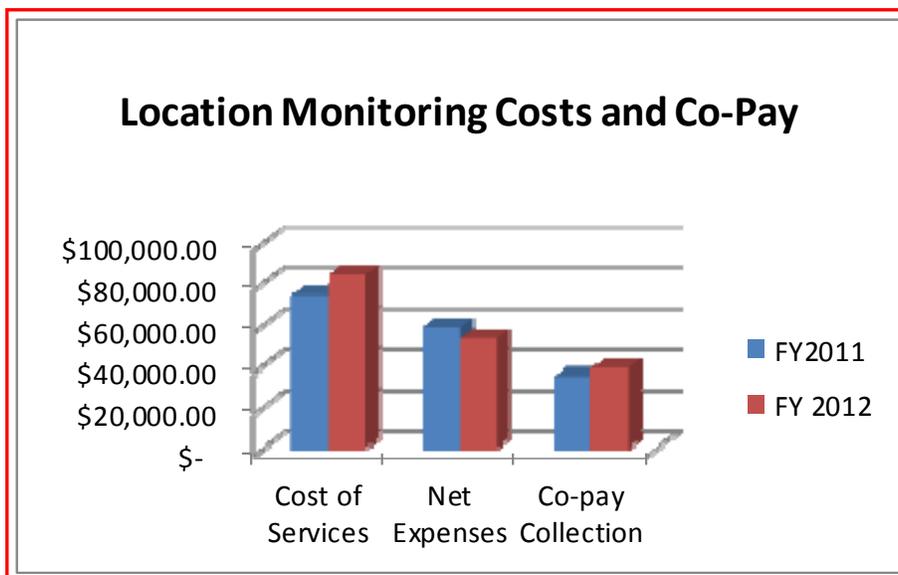
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Location Monitoring (Continued)

3. **Active Global Positioning Monitoring (ET1)** consists of the participant wearing a non-removable ankle bracelet which uses global positioning and cellular technologies to locate the participant's immediate whereabouts, therefore, permitting the officer to notify the participant to leave certain areas in the community, or to report with their supervising officer. Costs associated with Active GPS Monitoring is \$6.75 per day.
4. **Sobriotor** can be used alone or in conjunction with RF Monitoring to test the participant for alcohol consumption. The Sobriotor requires the participant to submit a breath sample for alcohol testing at times scheduled by the officer. Costs associated with Sobriotor testing are \$2.98 per day.
5. **Transdermal Alcohol Monitoring Device (TAD)** involves participants wearing a non-removable ankle bracelet which tests the participant for alcohol. Unlike the Sobriotor which measures breath alcohol, the TAD unit constantly tests the participant's sweat for alcohol. This form of testing negates the likelihood of them being able to consume alcohol and avoid providing a breath specimen for testing. This type of technology has been used sparingly due to spending parameters on this non-competitive contract service. Costs associated with TAD are \$6.96 per day.

In addition to information the monitoring equipment provides the supervision officer, location monitoring has proven to be a cost-effective alternative to incarceration. In FY 2012, the average monthly costs of incarcerating a defendant was \$2,216.79. During this fiscal period, the District of Kansas provided location monitoring services to 88 different pretrial defendants in lieu of detention for an average of 108 days. The monitoring costs associated with these defendants were \$42,911. If these same defendants were detained during this time the costs would have been \$702,346. This represents \$659,435 in savings (94% savings).

During FY 2012, the District of Kansas provided location monitoring services to 118 post conviction participants for an average of 88 days. We spent \$ 41,154 for these services for a total location monitoring cost of \$84,065.



✦ TRAINING

by USPOs Cassidi Lundell and Lynn Harris

During FY2012, the District of Kansas staff accumulated 4,665 hours of training. Safety issues continued to be a top priority with the Firearms and Safety team holding regular training sessions for firearms, officer response tactics, and scenario training. USPO Corey Kirk attended IPPT (Initial Probation and Pretrial Services Training) at FLETC. A concentrated training focus was on the PSX module for the investigative unit. As mentioned in the PSX article found in this report, extensive and ongoing training was held to aid in the transition of entering data into PSX and producing bail reports and presentence reports in Microsoft Word. Several staff members attended national trainings on sex offender computer monitoring and there were numerous hours of search team training held throughout the year.

✦ SOUTHERN IOWA SAFETY ACADEMY

The Southern District of Iowa requested the assistance of some of our officers with their Sixth Annual Southern Iowa Safety Academy which was held at Camp Dodge (Des Moines) on April 24-25th. The officers from Kansas who assisted in this academy were Rod Freeman, Shawn Brewer, Marlin Carlson, Brooke Paulson, and Scott Phillips.

In this photo, USPO Rod Freeman (pictured on the right) is shown conferring with a SD/IA staff member during the training.



✦ DISTRICT OF KANSAS SAFETY ACADEMY

During the week of September 10, 2012, the annual Safety Academy was held at Forest Park in Topeka.



✦ LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Current members (Class XI) of the Federal Judicial Center's Leadership Development Program (LDP) are SUSPO Scott Jones, Sr. USPO John Deters, Sr. USPO Milt Ruble and USPO Scott Phillips. These individuals will graduate in June 2013.

Members of Class XII include SUSPO Melissa Goldsmith, Sr. USPO Chris McNiel, and USPO Stephanie Denton.

✦ KRIS THOMAS NAMED FPPOA CENTRAL REGION LINE OFFICER OF THE YEAR



Pictured above: Assistant Deputy Chief U.S. Probation Officer Trey Burton; the Honorable Kathryn H. Vratil, Chief Judge; Sr. U.S. Probation Officer Kris Thomas; U.S. Probation Officer Cinnamon Ornelas; and Chief U.S. Probation Officer Ron Schweer.

Sr. U.S. Probation Officer Kris Thomas (Topeka Division) was awarded the Federal Probation and Parole Officer Association's Central Region **Adolfo Sanchez Line Officer of the Year** award on November 15, 2011. Chief Judge Kathryn Vratil, along with Cinnamon Ornelas, a U.S. Probation Officer in the Western District of Texas (Austin) and Central Region Representative of the Federal Probation and Pretrial Officers Association, presented the award during a recognition ceremony. We were able to orchestrate this event without Kris finding out, which is an accomplishment second only to the purpose of the ceremony. Kris has joined The Club of three previous award recipients in our district: Clancy Wiedel, Jed Blankenship, and Chris McNiel. Congratulations, Kris!

✦ RON SCHWEER AWARDED PROBATION EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR AWARD

On August 12, 2012, the National Association of Probation Executives (NAPE), awarded our **Chief United States Probation Officer Ron Schweer** the **Sam Houston State University Probation Executive of the Year Award**.

Since 1989, NAPE and the George J. Beto Criminal Justice Center at Sam Houston State University have recognized the Probation Executive of the Year by presenting the recipient the Sam Houston State University Award. This is the association's oldest and highest honor.

Congratulations, Ron, on this well deserved recognition!



CONSOLIDATED ADMINISTRATION

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY *by IT Manager Michael Keyes*

The main focus for IT during 2012 was the completion of our conversion to Microsoft Active Directory and the improvement of our mobile and telework capabilities. Microsoft Active Directory has been ticking along and systems were finalized, after the conversion, in early 2012. IT's focus then turned to mobile devices.

2012 saw several mobile changes in Probation. During our wireless device refresh in August all Probation officers were upgraded to iPhone 5 cell phones. This included officers previously using Blackberry devices. Twenty two iPad tablets were deployed within Probation and iPACTS for iPad was released shortly after deployment. IPACTS for iPhone was scheduled to release in December of 2012 and was postponed until mid – 2013.

The District of Kansas Virtual Desktop system was expanded and several officers began using the system full time.

Future plans for 2013 involve the further expansion of our mobile technology systems. New digital signature systems are being evaluated and iPACTS for iPhone should be released in the coming months. Mike Dreiling is working on a secure vendor communication system and there are rumors of a Probation website redesign. Budget permitting, desktop and laptop equipment will be refreshed as we continue to expand our Virtual Desktop system.

HUMAN RESOURCES — YEARS OF SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

The District acknowledges service anniversaries to those employees celebrating the 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25 year milestones. Listed below are the anniversaries during FY2012.



★ INTERNS



Joe Scherr worked as an intern in our Topeka office during the summer. He is a student at Washburn University and is majoring in Criminal Justice.

During his internship, Joe performed a variety of duties, gaining experience in pretrial, presentence investigations, and supervision. As he continues at Washburn to complete his degree program, he has also obtained part-time employment at the Mirror Halfway House in Topeka.

Elaine Escalante is a Senior at Washburn University majoring in Criminal Justice. She completed a student internship in the Wichita probation office. Her primary duties were support functions for the supervision USPO's (i.e., following up on NCIC hits, requesting records, entering data, etc). Elaine began her internship on August 13, 2012, and worked in the probation office throughout the fall 2012 semester for a total of approximately 120 hours.



Bridgette Cunningham began her internship by working for a month in the Kansas City clerk's office before joining our office to finish her summer internship. She completed her Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from the University of Missouri, Kansas City. Bridgette moved to Omaha in the fall to begin working on her Masters at the University of Nebraska.

★ WE SAY GOODBYE.....



USPO Jennifer Barton, Topeka division, joined our district on March 19, 2007. She performed the duties of a presentence writer and her experience as an attorney was invaluable.

Jenny left employment on May 23, 2012 to stay home with her young, active family. We thank you, Jenny, for your service.

SUSPO Mary Handley, Topeka/KC division, joined our district on September 14, 1987 as a U.S. Probation Officer. She was promoted to Senior USPO in 1998 and promoted to Supervising USPO in 2000. After nearly 25 years of service she retired from federal employment on July 6, 2012.

Mary has accepted a position as Federal Programs Director of the Residential Reentry Center in Topeka that is operated by Mirror, Inc. She will still remain in regular contact with our officers and staff and will be just a mile or two down the road from our Topeka office.

We'll miss you, Mary. Keep in touch!



Mary Handley as 'Queen for the Day' at her retirement reception.



Connie Cooley, AAPO, Kansas City division, joined our district on June 3, 1991. She performed the duties of an Administrative Assistant to Probation Officers for just over 21 years.

Connie retired on September 30, 2012 and is enjoying her free time and her granddaughters. We wish you the best, Connie!