A Transactional Response to Community Care: A Social Work and Law Enforcement Approach

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Objective

The Problem

Problem Impact

Solution Idea

Understanding the Solution Professional

Goals/ Outcomes

Introduction

- History and education in the field
- Outcome results
- Research /Evidence Based outcomes

The Problem

Continued increase in social service issues within the city

Nationally 80% of responses are social service related in nature

Reactive approach to social service issues.

The Impact and Implications

Continued increase in social services issues

- High level of recidivism
- Lack of resources intervention

Solution Idea

- Social Work led team within police department/ Courts
- MOU with Social Service agency
- Evidence based Training for Team approach to community care

A Social Worker vs A Victim Advocate

- A Social Worker is degreed in social work BSW/MSW
  - Understands dynamics of human behavior in social environments
  - Understand empirical based practice
  - Skilled in advocacy/resources and assessment
  - Proactive approach to working with community
  - Great support system

- Advocate
  - Not necessarily degreed
  - Excellent skills in advocating for victim compensation
  - Reactive approach after crime is committed and support services is needed.
  - Skilled in judicial procedure for victims
  - Great support system

Goals

- Reduction of recidivism
- Decrease in social service issues
- Partnership for proactive approach
- Innovative partnerships

Chief Kimble