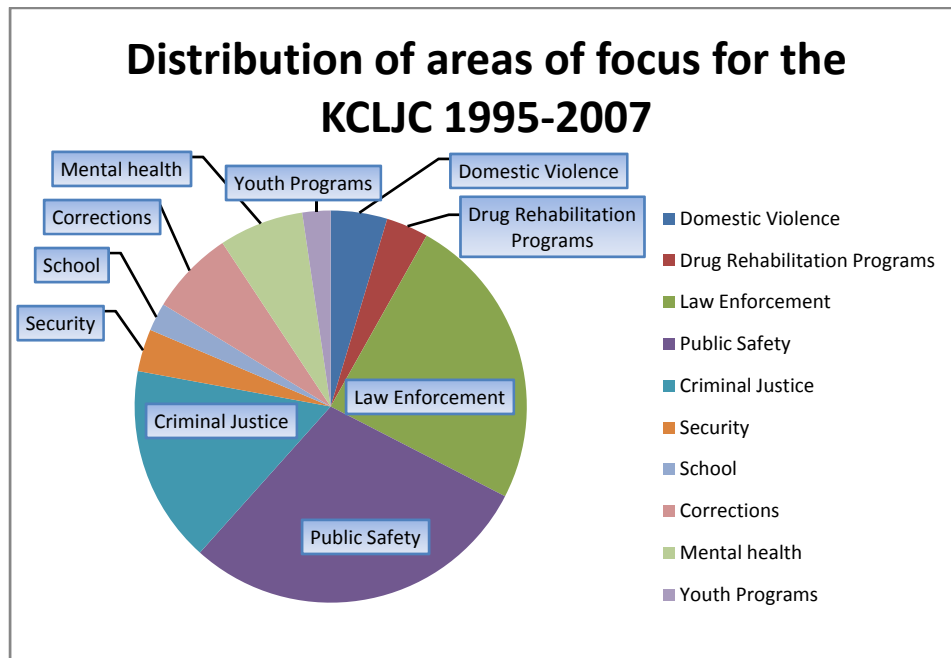


Kittitas County Law and Justice Council

Goals, Mission, Organization, and Accomplishments

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The Kittitas County Law and Justice Council started in 1995. The council is a requirement of state law, as declared in chapter 72.09 Revised Code of Washington. The Board of County Commissioners creates the council, and is responsible for the appointment of members, pursuant to RCW 72.09.300. The Kittitas County Law and Justice Council goals are as follows:

1. To represent the diversity of local criminal justice community including the juvenile justice system, law enforcement, corrections, courts, prosecutor, education and training, city councils and community service organizations.
2. To employ tactics and planning to eliminate duplication of efforts, facilities and personnel whenever possible.
3. To encourage partnerships between agencies and activities that benefit the community, the law and justice system and agencies involved.
4. To work cooperatively towards early intervention needs assessment and processing of issues within the community as they affect the law and justice professionals.
5. To educate and inform the public regarding the risks, problems, issues and opportunities concerning law and justice.
6. To facilitate community programs which support an informed responsive community.
7. To empower local programs and partnerships to develop successful mediation, rehabilitation, referral, treatment and response to community needs.
8. To provide equipment, materials, and personnel to handle routine services, crisis situations, educational opportunities and partnerships within the criminal justice field.

The Kittitas County Law and Justice Council's mission is:

1. To reduce the duplication of services provided by law and justice entities within Kittitas County.
2. To increase the coordination between the various law and justice agencies responsible for the protection of the public health and safety of our county.
3. To increase the efficiencies of the law and justice system in Kittitas County.
4. To review, develop, and present to the Board of County Commissioners, on an annual basis, a comprehensive local law and justice plan that identifies areas of concern, potential solutions, and suggested actions;
5. To make recommendations for funding of grants to meet the above stated objectives, as well as grants aimed at reducing crime in our county or educating our citizens about law and justice concerns.
6. To establish and maintain, pursuant to RCW72.09.300 (9), an advisory committee on juvenile justice proportionality.

The RCW 72.09.300 is as follows:

- 1) Every county legislative authority shall by resolution or ordinance establish a local law and justice council. The county legislative authority shall determine the size and composition of the council, which shall include the county sheriff and a representative of the municipal police departments within the county, the county prosecutor and a representative of the municipal

prosecutors within the county, a representative of the city legislative authorities within the county, a representative of the county's superior, juvenile, district, and municipal courts, the county jail administrator, the county clerk, the county risk manager, and the secretary of corrections and his or her designees. Officials designated may appoint representatives.

(2) A combination of counties may establish a local law and justice council by intergovernmental agreement. The agreement shall comply with the requirements of this section.

(3) The local law and justice council may address issues related to:

(a) Maximizing local resources including personnel and facilities, reducing duplication of services, and sharing resources between local and state government in order to accomplish local efficiencies without diminishing effectiveness;

(b) Jail management;

(c) Mechanisms for communication of information about offenders, including the feasibility of shared access to databases; and

(d) Partnerships between the department and local community policing and supervision programs to facilitate supervision of offenders under the respective jurisdictions of each and timely response to an offender's failure to comply with the terms of supervision.

(4) The county legislative authority may request technical assistance in coordinating services with other units or agencies of state or local government, which shall include the department, the office of financial management, and the Washington association of sheriffs and police chiefs.

(5) Upon receiving a request for assistance from a county, the department may provide the requested assistance.

(6) The secretary may adopt rules for the submittal, review, and approval of all requests for assistance made to the department.

Recent legislative changes in 2007 have adjusted the Law and Justice Council rules to say "may" instead of "shall" in regards to rules 2 through 6. This has given the council opportunity to examine its role and focus on prioritized issues.

The Kittitas County Law and Justice Council consists of various different agencies. The Council's organization, by requirement of state law, is at the discretion of the Board of County Commissioners. Our council's membership listing includes:

The Kittitas County Sheriff

The Kittitas County Prosecuting Attorney

The Kittitas County Clerk

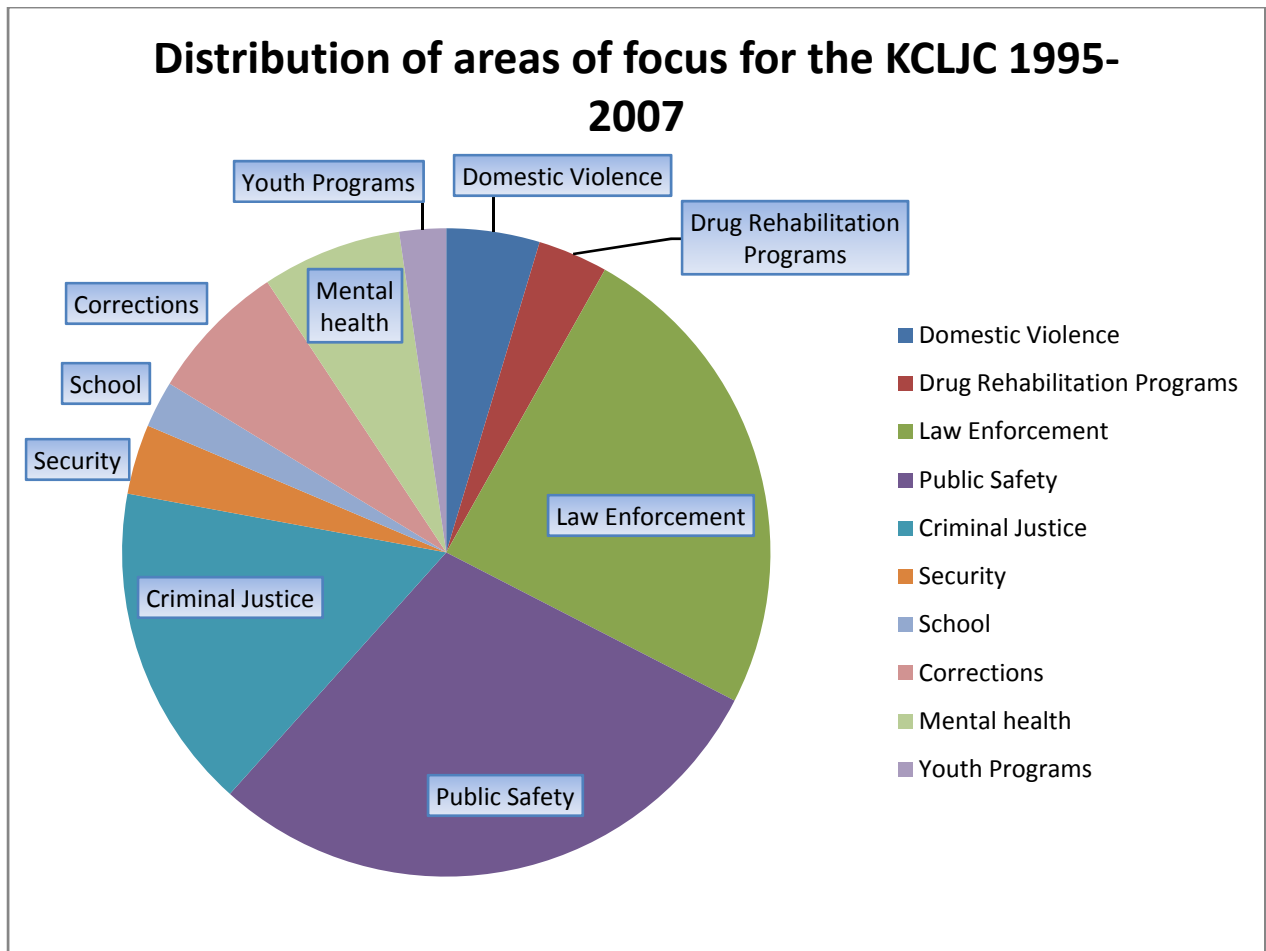
A representative of the County's Superior or District Court Judges

The Kittitas County Jail Administrator

An appointee from Kittitas County Probation Services

- A Chief of police from Cle Elum or Roslyn
- A Chief of police from Ellensburg, Kittitas, or Central Washington University
- A city council person from Cle Elum, Roslyn, or South Cle Elum
- A city council person from Ellensburg or Kittitas
- One city attorney from Ellensburg, Kittitas, Roslyn, Cle Elum, South Cle Elum or Roslyn
- A local representative of the Washington State Department of Corrections
- A Sergeant of the Washington State Patrol
- A person representing public schools
- A citizen at large
- A Representative of KITTCOM
- A local representative of the Department of Fish and Wildlife

Over the years, the council has accomplished many projects and goals that have benefited the community, the law and justice system and agencies involved, as well as local programs and partnerships, in order to develop successful mediation, rehabilitation, referral, treatment and response to community needs. The Kittitas County Law and Justice Council, has been active since 1995, accomplishing a vast array of goals, some of which are listed below, by year. The following graph is a visual of the distribution of areas of focus for the past years.



| GOAL | ACCOMPLISHMENT | RESPONSIBLE PARTY | NATURE of SUCCESS | DATE OF SUCCESS |
|---|---|---|---|-----------------------------|
| Perform a County wide needs assessment | Done | Budget Committee & Chief Rittereiser | Documented County LAJ needs | <i>Success</i> 1995 |
| Adopt .1% County Sales tax to fund juvenile/jail space needs | Done | KCLAJC Sheriff McBride; CCO Hitch | Tax passed allowing funding development for the stated need | <i>Success</i> 1996 |
| Collect Unpaid daily jail costs | Contracts in place for cities | Jail, Cities Jail Adm. Tweedie | Enhanced funds for jail service | <i>Success</i> 1996 |
| Coordinate MH, DD & SA Programs | MH, Anger Management, Batterer's Treatment, SA, DV Groups at Jail | Jail Adm., MH, DD, SA Program Directors | Provided interventions for inmates | <i>Success</i> achieved. |
| Stop Jail Overcrowding from Inmates sitting out fines | No longer occurring | Jail Adm. Probation DOC, Courts | Reduced overcrowding | 1998 <i>success</i> |
| Establish Domestic Violence Legal Advocacy | In Place | DV/SA | Better service and protection to DV Victims | 1997 <i>success</i> |
| Establish Alternatives to Incarceration | EHM, Work Release, Work Crews, Day Detention, School Release | Jail Adm, Courts, DOC-CCO's Hitch & Barr, Co. Probation | Reduced dependency on jail | 1998-1999 <i>success</i> |
| Strengthen Jail programs | GED & Pre-College , MH Life skills, Religious | Jail Adm, Providers | Enhance use of inmate time | 1998-1999 <i>success</i> |

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| Establish By-laws | Done | KCLAJC Chair Zempel | Provided written guidance | 1999 <i>success</i> |
| Establish KCLAJC Records Repository | Done | KCLAJC-Chair Zempel | Location for KCLAJC documents established | 1999 <i>success</i> |
| Eliminate duplication of services and consolidate resources | Shared Training, Shared Equip, E.R.T., EHM, Youth Citizen Academy, Enhanced Alcohol Drug Patrols, Intel and KCCYS Meetings, Leadership Ellensburg participation, KCLAJC, Grant efforts | KCLAJC Members and agencies | Variety of areas of criminal justice involvements shared saving resources | 1999 <i>successes</i> |
| Identified & Participated in Local and State affiliated Groups | SCJA, WDMCJA, WAJCA, WAPA, WASPC, WACO, WSJ Association, MH/MR Board, SA Board, DD Board, MCA, ACA, WCA | KCLAJC Members | Value of KCLAJC knowledge enhanced through Professional associations | 2000 <i>Successes</i> |
| Provided Juvenile secure temporary holding | Moved Prosecutor & Juvenile Offices | Prosecutor, Maintenance Director & Juv. Ct. Adm., BOCC & Staff | Enhanced safety and security for holding youth through cooperative effort | 2000 <i>Success</i> |

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| Addressed Court security risks. | Security Committee Formulated, Bailiff to LDCT, Juv office safety increased, LDCT Bailiff in place, Metal Detector installed, weapons lockers ordered, UDCT enhancement approved | BOCC; Judges; Court Administrators; Jail | Enhanced courthouse security for public and staff | Throughout 2000 <i>Successes</i> |
| Provided local training | LE/Corrections training done | WSCJTC, OAC, RPDU, Agencies | Enhanced local expertise | Throughout 2000 <i>Success</i> |
| Eliminated duplication of services & consolidate resources between agencies | New programs and cooperative efforts in place | KCLAJC, JJA Comm., Agencies | Applied goal of KCLAJC to meet efficient service | Throughout 2000 <i>Success</i> |
| Improved KCLAJC Grant procedure | Third year funding approved/on spreadsheets/tightened grants | KCLAJC | Provided resources for CJ responsibilities | Throughout 2000 <i>Success</i> |
| Reduced jail population by reducing holding solely for non-payment of LFO's | Private Collections being used Work Crew Success | Courts, DOC, Probation, Jail | Cooperative & creative effort reduced jail load | Continuing efforts Throughout 2000 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance local drug detection | Acquired two DRE troopers | WSP | Enhanced prosecutability | Success |
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| Enhance local LE | Addition of WDFW Sgt. | WDFW | 250% increase in enforcement contacts allowed addition Sgt. | Efforts continuing |
| Protect CJ Resources | Adopt DSHS umbrella contract | Prosecutor/ BOCC | Limit local liability | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance Public Safety | Adopt the 16 & under compulsory helmet law | City of Ellensburg/City Attorney | Passed | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Reflect professionalism in local CJ Community | Award for WSP state award out of 71 divisions | WSP | #1 in drug arrests, #2 in speeding and #3 in violations | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Reflect professionalism in local CJ Community | Dep. Matt Martin graduates LE Academy | KCSO | Voted most wanted to be called for backup or a partner | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance local CJ | Superior Court filing fees up to \$200 with a \$30 surcharge for DV | Superior Court | Fee increase includes greater DV protection | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance local LE | Improve access to info | Kittcom /KCSO | MDT's to patrol vehs. | Efforts continuing |
| Enhance Public Safety | Graduation Celebration less damaging | EPD/CWU PD/City of Ellensburg | Established alternatives to Senior Golf with CCC | <i>Efforts continuing</i> |
| Reflect professionalism in local CJ Community | Establish columns in both county newspapers highlighting L&JC agencies | PR Comm. | Some articles | Continuing efforts |

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| Focus on specific CJ problem | Addressing growing problem at Gorge-Getty's Cove | KCSO & other LE assistance | Enhanced enforcement | Efforts continuing |
| Enhance local CJ | legislative support for indigent defense funding | Legislature | Legislative funding action occurred | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance Public Safety | Funding received for spike strips | WSP | Devices available | Success |
| Enhance Public Safety | Funds available for Kittcom | Kittcom/legislature | Enhanced tax resources | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance Public Safety | LAJC Grant purchased rescue rope equipment | EFD | Devices available | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance Public Safety | LAJC Grant for rescue boat | KCSO | Device available | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance local LE | LAJC Grant to fund computer system upgrade | KPD | Devices available | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance Public Safety | LAJC Grant to KCSR for new equipment | KCSO | Grant allows 2 snowmobile rescues so far | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance Public Safety | Grants use celebrated | EPD | Rescue rope used in a rescue | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance local CJ | Second CCO has been hired | DOC | Enhanced span of control of local DOC | 2005 <i>Success</i> |

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| Enhance Public Safety | Meeting "Meth is my neighbor" | CEPD | 200-300 person attendance | Success |
| Enhance local CJ | added a civil deputy position | Prosecutor | Position filled | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance local CJ | approval for new Intensive Supervision PO in MISD | Prob. Services | Position filled | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance local LE | New deputy to fill one of 3 slots lost in 2003 | KCSO | One new deputy position filled | Efforts continuing |
| Enhance Public Safety | city helmet ordinance motor scooter prohibition | City of Ellensburg | Ordinance passed | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Reflect professionalism in local CJ Community | Recognition Laurie Haberman | WAJDU | Re-Elected Secretary of State association | Success |
| Focus on specific CJ problem | Celebration in lieu of Senior Golf Held without incident | Interagency, CCC, EPD, CWU, | Eliminated vandalism and reduced fear | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance local CJ | BOCC sign MH/DD resolution | BOCC/CJ community | Priorities set/committee begun | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Reflect professionalism in local CJ Community | Another drug court graduate, no repeats yet | Drug Court Team | 20 enrolled with 5-7 graduates, 2 dismissed and 14 active | <i>Success & continues</i> |
| Focus on specific CJ problem | Resources for parent education on alcohol and substance abuse | CJ Community | Continuing community development with CJ, CCC | Continuing efforts |

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| Reflection of system effectiveness | Civil case overload to be handled by new deputy | Prosecutor | Indicates use of increased staff | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Enhance Public Safety | Reward of \$2,000 given for aiding in the arsonist apprehension donated | EFD | Shows support against arson | Success |
| Security enhancement | New doors to KCSO | KCSO | Continuing Security development | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Security enhancement | Security proximity card keys to be introduced at corrections | KCSO | Continuing Security development | Efforts continuing |
| Enhance local LE | New dog is in training with handler | KCSO | Improved services | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Security enhancement | \$105,000 remaining from site preparation grant security upgrade | KCSO | Continuing Security development | Success |
| Reflection of system effectiveness | JRA Population dropped from 1490 to 831, half of who are CDDA persons | JRA | Juv Just programs showing cost reduction & positive influence | Continuing efforts |
| Focus on specific CJ problem | Target meth labs and burglaries | KCSO | Reduced meth labs & arrested burglars | Continuing efforts |
| Enhance Public Safety | Kittcom has offer to build new tower @ Stampede Pass | Kittcom | Improved emergency communication Citizens showing support | Success |

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| Enhance Public Safety | MDC for locals ready | Kittcom | Improved emergency communication | Success |
| Enhance Public Safety | Technology MDT project progressing | Kittcom | Improved emergency communication | Efforts continuing |
| Enhance Public Safety | Radio transmission in Yakima Canyon | Kittcom | Improved emergency communication | Efforts continuing |
| Enhance Public Safety | Rebuilding Craig's Hill Tower | Kittcom | Improved emergency communication | Efforts underway |
| Enhance Public Safety | Six solar call boxes installed in Yakima Canyon | Kittcom/WSP | Improved emergency communication | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Training support for CJ | LAJC Grant funding 3 to Washing Partners in Crisis in September | LAJC | Reflection of system support for MH/DD issues | Continuing efforts |
| Training support for CJ | Training on critical incidents & Critical Incident Team approach training | LAJC/KCSO | Reflection of system support for MH/DD issues | Efforts continuing |
| Training support for CJ | Deputy Drew Sinclair entered LE academy | KCSO | Enhance local LE | Efforts continuing |
| Training support for CJ | Drug Court Team left for final training in Los Angeles | Superior Court & Drug Court Team | Enhance local CJ | Continuing efforts |
| Training support for CJ/ Enhance Public Safety | EDC to hold exercise involving possible bird flu pandemic | KCSO/EDC | Training accomplished | 2005 <i>Success</i> |

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| Training support for CJ | EPD Brian Jones has completed training for CIT | EPD | Reflection of system support for MH/DD issues | Success |
| Training support for CJ | Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management | KCSO | Sheriff Gene Dana attended training in Maryland | 2005 <i>Success</i> |
| Training support for CJ | EPD sponsors a grant writing class | EPD | Enhance local CJ | Success |
| Training support for CJ | Water rescue training held | KCFD 1 & 7 | Enhance Public Safety | Success |
| Continuing Security development | Jail electronics almost finished being upgraded | KCSO | Enhance Public Safety | Efforts continuing |
| Enhance Local LE | LAJC Grant for new equipment | EPD | Concealable surveillance equip | 2006 Success |
| Enhance Public Safety | LAJC Grant for new equipment | Kittitas County Probation | Volunteer recognition supplies | 2006 Success |
| Enhance Local LE | LAJC Grant for new equipment | KCSO | Dive Team equip/training | 2006 Success |
| Enhance Public Safety | LAJC Grant for new equipment | ADDS | MRT Tuition & workbooks | 2006 Success |
| Enhance Public Safety | LAJC Grant for new equipment | ADDS | Drug testing supplies | 2006 Success |
| Enhance Local LE | LAJC Grant for new equipment | CWUPD | Police screen PD software | 2006 Success |
| Enhance Local LE | LAJC Grant supporting training | Chaplain Hunt | Chaplaincy Trng/ equipment | 2006 Success |

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| Enhance School safety | LAJC Grant for new equipment | MMS | CCTV cameras | 2006 Success |
| Support Local FD | LAJC Grant for new equipment \$2821 | Fire District #1 | Rescue ropes, CPR Equip or Radios | 2006 Success |
| Support Corrections | LAJC Grant for new equipment | KC Corrections | GED supplies | 2006 Success |
| Technology support | New software | KCSO, human resources, auditor's office | To track attendance and time on line | 2006 Success |
| Support Local LE | New legislature passed | Law Enforcement | Paperless tickets and reports in use, MDCS installed | 2006 Success |
| Support Corrections | Equipment installed | County Jail | New camera monitors installed, | 2006 Success |
| Support Local LE | New officers | EPD | Two new officers sworn in | 2006 Success |
| Enhance local LE | LAJC Grant funds Spillman software | LAJC, KPD, & CEPD | Devices available | 2006 Success |
| Enhance Public safety | LAJC grant supporting Chaplaincy Board | LAJC | Reflection of system support for MH/DD issues | 2006 Success |
| Enhance LAJC By-Laws | Added executive committee and Mental Health Committee | LAJC | Committees approved | 2006 Success |

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| Support Mental Health in Juveniles | Grant to create a consortium | Juvenile Justice | Attention to mental health for adolescent behavior deficits | 2006 Success |
| Training support for CJ | LAJC Grant funding 1 to Washing Behavioral Healthcare Conf. | LAJC | Reflection of system support for MH/DD issues | 2007 Success |
| Pass 3/10 of 1% sales tax | Will add officers to all jurisdictions | LAJ group with citizens Committee | Overwhelming passage of the ballot | Nov 2007 Success |
| Support Chaplaincy Program | Grant Approved \$108,000 | Chief Rittereiser, Chaplain Hunt | Grant Approved | Jan 2007 Success |
| Enhance Public Safety | Grant funding Disaster Supplies \$9344.81 | Red Cross | Devices available | 2007 Success |
| Enhance Local LE | LAJC Grant for new equipment \$4995 | CEPD | Towards Radar Speed Trailer | 2007 Success |
| Enhance Public Safety | LAJC Grant for new equipment \$1000 | KSAR Emergency MGT. | External Satellite phone antenna | 2007 Success |
| Enhance Local LE | LAJC Grant for new equipment \$2,524.56 | Kittitas PD | Funding for MRT materials and police equip. | 2007 Success |
| Enhance Local LE | LAJC Grant for comm. Upgrades \$2795 | Ares/Races | Communication upgrades | 2007 Success |
| Enhance Local LE | LAJC Grant for new equipment \$4168 | WSP | WSP Laptop pc for incident command | 2007 Success |

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| Enhance Local LE | LAJC grant for new equipment \$1775 | LAJC & Sheriff's Reserves | SD funding for car video camera/training | 2007 Success |
| Enhance Corrections | LAJC Grant for educational materials \$619.95 | KC corrections & LAJC | Inmate educations materials funded | 2007 Success |
| Enhance Local LE | LAJC Grant for new equipment \$2082 | EPD & LAJC | EPD received support for five weapon lights | 2007 Success |
| Enhance Public Safety | LAJC Grant for disaster supply kit \$2225 | Kittcom & LAJC | Reflection of system support for MH/DD issues | 2007 Success |
| Support Local Youth | LAJC Grant for Youth \$10,000 | Upper County Youth & LAJC | Youth Activities reduce offenses | 2007 Success |
| Support Court Advocates | LAJC Grant for \$3400 | Court Advocates \$ LAJC | Lap top and PP projector | 2007 Success |
| Support RSVP | LAJC Grant for \$4,191 | RSVP & LAJC | ID Theft Program | 2007 Success |
| Support Local Youth | LAJC Grant for \$2000 | UC Young Life | Camp & programs reduce offenses | 2007 success |
| Support ADDS Program | LAJC Grant for \$2550 | MRT | Provide intervention for drug effected | 2007 success |
| Establish new legislature | New legislature regarding sex offenders | Law enforcement & LAJC | Tracking 3 rd time offenders with tracking GPS | 2007 success |
| Improve KCLAJC | Re-entry legislation | KCLAJC & planning committee | Adjust goals | 2007 success |

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| Improve KCLAJC | New chairs elected, committees filled | KCLAJC | New energy & direction for LAJC | <i>2007 success</i> |
| Support local Law Enforcement | Training completed for EPD | EPD | Motorcycle training | <i>2007 success</i> |
| Enhance Public Safety | Safety presentation | KCSO | Largest safety presentation in 20 years | <i>2007 success</i> |
| Support 1 % county sales tax | Support tax policy | KCLJC & county commissioner | Raise monetary amount for funding needs | <i>2007 success</i> |
| Support Local Law Enforcement | Money set aside for firing range | Law enforcement & KCLAJC | 20,000 set aside by council | In progress |