



County Progress with the Stepping Up Initiative

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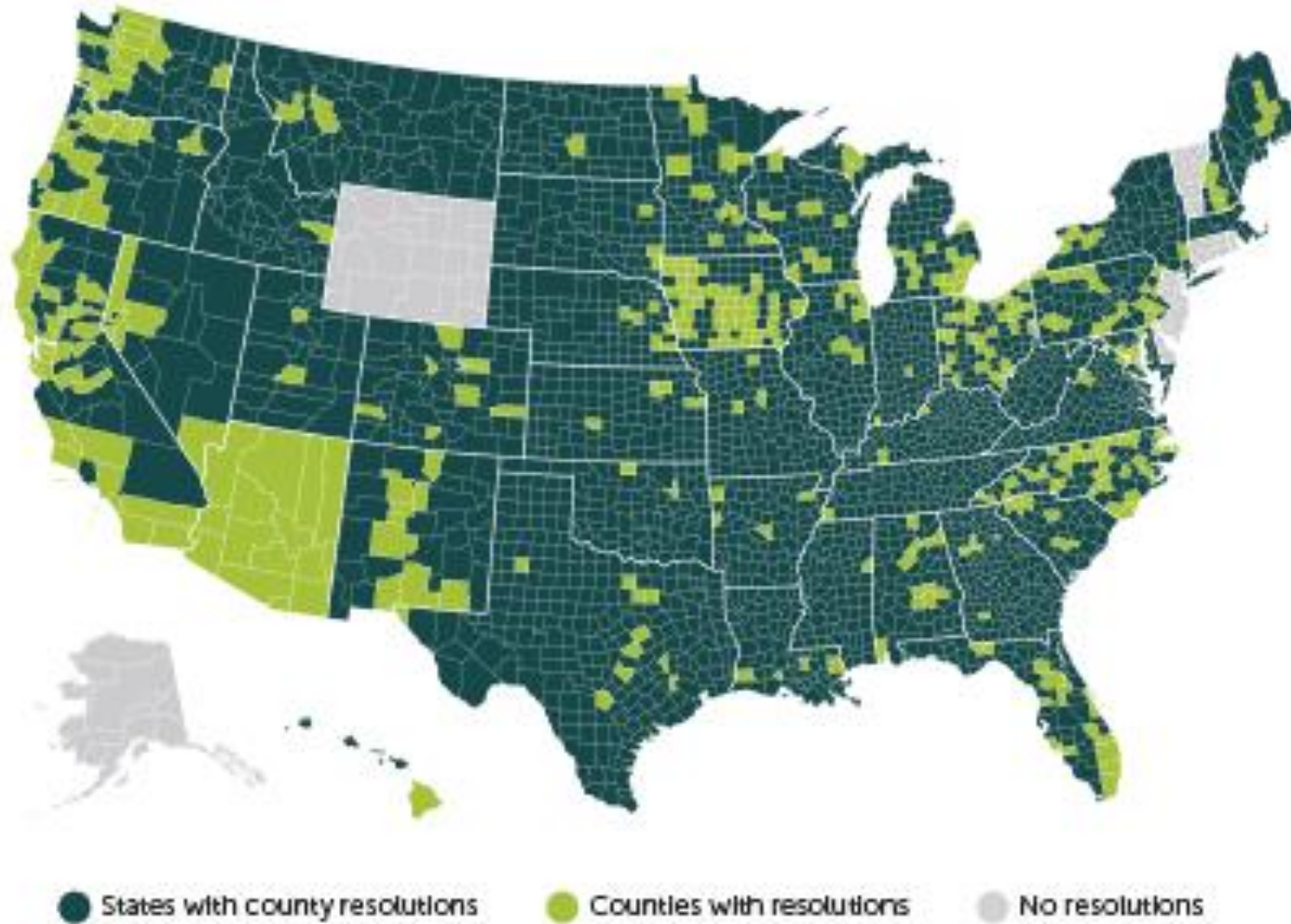
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• COUNTIES ARE STEPPING UP! •

Stepping Up Resolutions received as of November 1, 2017



• RESOURCES TOOLKIT •

Resources Toolkit



Monthly Webinars and Networking Calls



Quarterly Small Group Networking Calls



Six Questions Report and Planning Tools



Key Resources and Research

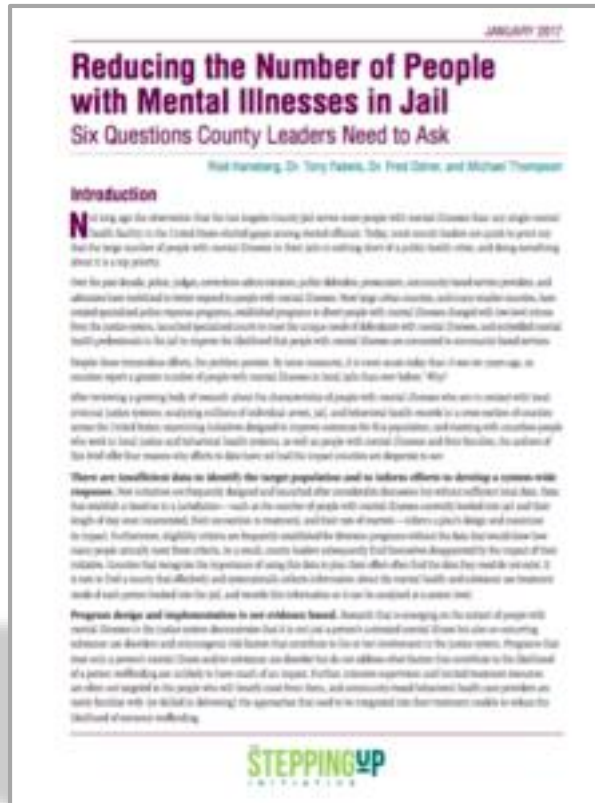


County Case Studies

→ ***stepuptogether.org/toolkit***

SIX QUESTIONS FRAMEWORK

How Do We Know If A County Is Positioned To Reduce Number Of People With Mental Illness In Jail?



Released in January 2017

1. Is your leadership committed?
2. Do you have timely screening and assessment?
3. Do you have baseline data?
4. Have you conducted a comprehensive process analysis and service inventory?
5. Have you prioritized policy, practice, and funding?
6. Do you track progress?

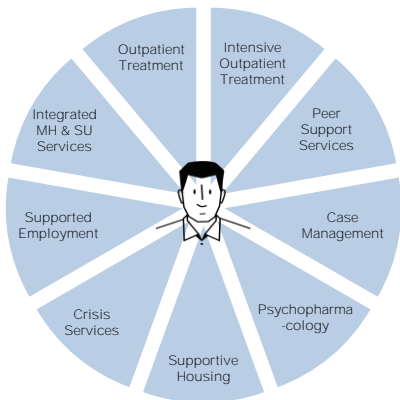
FOUR KEY MEASURES



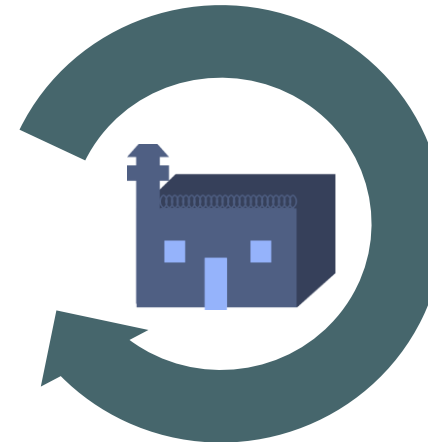
1. Reduce the number of people with mental illnesses booked into jails



2. Shorten the length of stay in jails for people with mental illnesses



3. Increase the number of people with mental illnesses connected to treatment



4. Reduce rates of recidivism

• ALAMANCE COUNTY, N.C. •

- Leadership Team and Committees
- Training: CIT, Mental Health First Aid, Trauma
- Co-Responder Pilots
- Expansion of Service Continuum
- Diversion and Restoration Center



Alamance Steps Up Committees

- First Responder Training and Community Education
- Recovery and Reentry Strategies
- Screening, Assessment and Treatment
- Community Service Capacity and Sustainability



ATHENS-CLARKE COUNTY, GA



	706 Advantage Clients*	1,135 Not Advantage Clients
History of multiple arrests	91%	68%
Average # of lifetime arrests	12.7	5.4
Total lifetime arrests	8,986	6,095
Average length of stay in jail	22.7 days	8.1 days
Return to jail in 2016	53%	36%

*65% of clients had a MH diagnosis, 35% had a SU diagnosis, 47% had a co-occurring diagnosis

Aligned Strategies with Four Key Measures:

1. Implement co-responder program & expand number of CIT officers
2. Coordination with local judicial system; expanded treatment court opportunities
3. Implementing screening & assessment; expanded pre- & post-release planning efforts
4. Partnerships with probation & community supervision

• DOUGLAS COUNTY, KAN. •

- BJMHS and Follow-Up Assessment
- Mental Health Flag in JMS
- Mental Health Respite Bed
- Emergency Psychiatrist Weekly
- Behavioral Health Court
- JMHCP Grant – AID Program



Assist-Identify-Divert (AID) Program

- Started in March 2016
- 224 eligible
- 137 participants
- 80% (112) successfully completed



RIVER REGION, ALA.



- JMHCP Grant
- Sequential Intercept Mapping
- CIT Training
- Housing
- BJMHS implementation
- Post-Incarceration Case Management



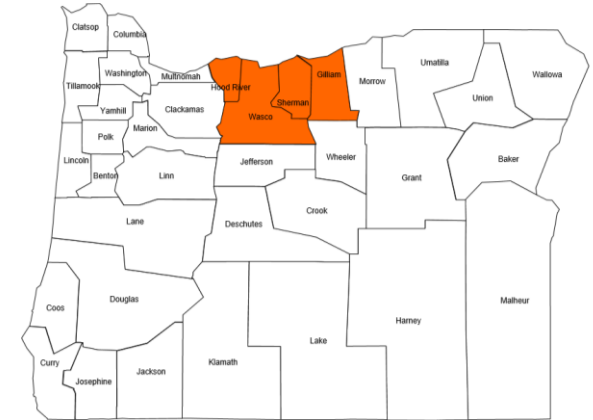
Post-Incarceration Case Management Results

- Of first 40 clients, only two re-arrested, one re-incarcerated
- Recidivism rate dropped from 56% to 2.5% for this pop.
- Estimated savings of \$2,600/day and \$957K/year for the one case manager



• NORTHERN OREGON •

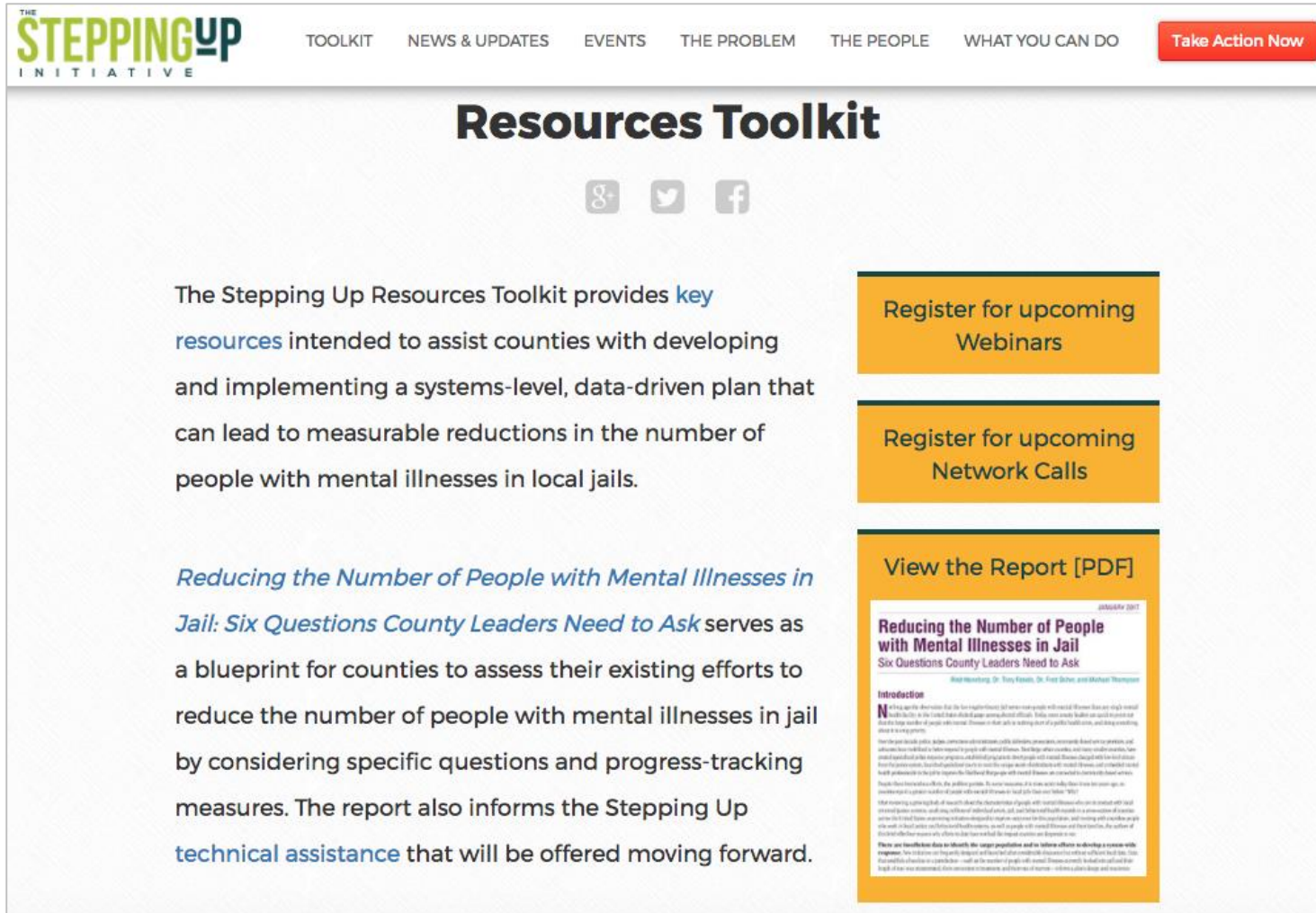
- BJMHS Implementation
- Increased Treatment and Case Management Capacity
- Sub-Acute Mental Health Treatment Unit
- JMHCP Grant – 30-Day Treatment and Reentry Program



Treatment and Reentry Program

- 196 people eligible
- 87 people completed treatment
- 47% recidivism v. 61% for control
- 58% Reduction in Jail Population with MH Diagnosis in Year 1

RESOURCES TOOLKIT



THE STEPPING UP INITIATIVE

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Resources Toolkit

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The Stepping Up Resources Toolkit provides [key resources](#) intended to assist counties with developing and implementing a systems-level, data-driven plan that can lead to measurable reductions in the number of people with mental illnesses in local jails.

Reducing the Number of People with Mental Illnesses in Jail: Six Questions County Leaders Need to Ask serves as a blueprint for counties to assess their existing efforts to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jail by considering specific questions and progress-tracking measures. The report also informs the Stepping Up [technical assistance](#) that will be offered moving forward.

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Mark Thompson, Dr. Tony Kohn, Dr. Fred Schell, and Michael Thompson

Introduction
 NACo's mission is to ensure that the lives of people with mental illnesses are improved. One of the most significant ways to improve the lives of people with mental illnesses is to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jail. This report provides a blueprint for counties to assess their existing efforts to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jail by considering specific questions and progress-tracking measures. The report also informs the Stepping Up technical assistance that will be offered moving forward.

There are four main goals to this report: to identify the current population and to future efforts to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jail; to identify the current population and to future efforts to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jail; to identify the current population and to future efforts to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jail; to identify the current population and to future efforts to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jail.

Coming Soon!

- ✓ Project Coordinator Handbook
- ✓ Brief on MH Screening & Assessment
- ✓ Brief on Collecting Baseline Data
- ✓ Self assessment tool
- ✓ Other companion tools

For counties that have passed a Stepping Up resolution, there are small network calls for **Rural, Urban, and Mid-Size**

• QUESTIONS? •

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