



OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
JULIANA STRATTON – LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

RESTORE, REINVEST, AND RENEW (R3) PROGRAM BOARD

Pursuant to 410 ILCS 705/10-40 of the Cannabis Regulation and Tax Act (410 ILCS 705/)

Date/Time

Tuesday, April 28, 2020
 10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

Location

Webex Video/Teleconference

Dial-In Info

Videoconference	Teleconference
Videoconference information shared separately with board members	Phone Number: 312-535-8110
	Access Code: 288 383 653

Meeting Minutes

Ex-Officio	Name	Present	Phone	Absent
Lt. Governor's Office	Juliana Stratton		X	
Attorney General/Designee	Sharisse Kimbro		X	
DCEO/Designee	Michael Negron		X	
IDPH	Dr. Ngozi Ezike			X
IDOC	Rob Jeffreys		X	
ICJIA	Jason Stamps		X	
IDES/Designee	Thomas Chan		X	

DCFS/Designee	Dagene Brown		X	
DJJ	Heidi Mueller		X	
Sec. Human Services	Grace B. Hou		X	
Maj. Senator	Kimberly Lightford		X	
Min. Senator	Jason Barickman			X
Maj. House	Jehan Gordon-Booth		X	
Min. House	Lindsay Parkhurst		X	

12 members were present on the phone. Quorum determined. Staffers present on the phone from the Office of the Lieutenant Governor included: Dartsesia Pitts (General Counsel), Quinn Rallins (JEO Director), Emily Harwell (JEO Policy Coordinator), and Ariana Correa (JEO Program Manager).

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The call to order was made at 10:00 a.m. on April 28, 2020.

Dartsesia Pitts took the roll call. A quorum was established.

II. Approval of Agenda for April 28, 2020 and Minutes from March 3, 2020

The motion to approve the agenda for the April 28, 2020 meeting was made by Attorney General designee Chief Kimbro and seconded by Secretary Hou. The motion passed unanimously.

The motion to approve the March 3, 2020 meeting minutes was made by DJJ's Director Mueller and seconded by DCEO Assistant Director Negron. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Chairperson's Remarks

Lieutenant Governor Stratton discussed that the core purpose of the R3 Program is to reinvest in communities that have been deeply impacted by the war on drugs. Many of these communities have also been the most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The R3 Program Board will review the maps proposed that will ensure that funding is

distributed equitably across the state. The R3 Program Board will also review the proposed Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs). Previously, the Board reviewed the term sheets of the NOFOs and gave feedback at the March 3, 2020 meeting. The University of Chicago's Poverty Lab will provide a presentation of the evaluation for this program. The R3 Program Board will also discuss new board members and community engagement planning to ensure communities across the state have notice about this funding opportunity.

IV. New Business

Approval of Proposed Equity Funding Maps

Deputy Chief of Staff and JEO Director Rallins provided the R3 Program Board with information regarding the R3 funding's map division, based on population, and also using already established maps to make it more equitable. ICJIA's Acting Director Stamps indicated that there is a zoom function available for the entire map on ICJIA's website. Representative Gordon-Booth made a motion to adopt the maps with the following amendment: combine regions 6 and 13 into one region and also regions 10 and 12 into one region.

The motion to approve the maps as modified was made by Representative Parkhurst and seconded by Representative Lightford. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of NOFO

Mitchell Troup, ICJIA Program Manager, discussed the key components of the Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs). The Service Delivery NOFO would fund services within designated R3 areas that address economic disinvestment, violence, and the impact of the war on drugs and that improve community wellness and social determinants of health. The Assessment and Planning NOFO would provide strategic planning for organizations within the R3 areas who want to develop their ideas. Grantees will have approximately 60 days to develop and submit applications from the NOFO release date — currently set for May 1st, 2020. The 60-day timeframe was intentionally crafted to allow grantees more time to apply than would be the case with the standard 30-day timeline.

Representative Gordon-Booth made a motion to approve the Assessment and Planning NOFO to be released on May 18, 2020 instead of May 1st, 2020, and accordingly to extend the remainder of the R3 funding timeline by approximately two weeks. This motion was seconded by Representative Lightford. The motion passed unanimously.

Representative Lightford made a motion to approve the Service Delivery NOFO to be released on May 18, 2020 instead of May 1st, 2020, and accordingly to extend the remainder of the R3 funding timeline by approximately two weeks. This motion was seconded by Attorney General designee Chief Kimbro. The motion passed unanimously.

Overview of Program Evaluation

The Justice, Equity, and Opportunity Initiative convened a working group of philanthropists who have similar funding priorities to the R3 Program. The working group recommended partnering with a university to evaluate the effectiveness of the R3 Program. The JEO Initiative and ICJIA have been working closely with the University of Chicago's Poverty Lab to receive recommendations on how to best evaluate the R3 Program. Carmelo Barbaro, UChicago Poverty Lab, Executive Director introduced the organization, their mission, and explained their work doing policy design and evaluation. The presentation acknowledged the R3 Program's potential to leverage research and evidence while having a citizen-centered approach to eliminating poverty in Illinois. User-journey mapping was recommended to be used for the R3 Program and explained to highlight equitable and comprehensive administrative data collected by the funded organization. The importance for organizations to understand if their program implementation is responsive to client needs, the external use of community resources and supports by the client, and other feedback submitted by the client. Implementing a system to record client-based data would allow for the Board to be aware of gaps in service availability, grantees to make better decisions on what services to offer and provides grantees with credible feedback from clients to submit in their reports. A tool to collect this information is being discussed for potential implementation with the JEO Initiative and ICJIA. The Lieutenant Governor allowed time for questions. No questions were asked by the Deputy Chief of Staff and JEO Director Rallins. Board members were provided a copy with the presentation upon request to Deputy Chief of Staff and General Counsel Pitts.

New Board Members

The Lieutenant Governor discussed new board member appointments. The R3 Program legislation provides that additional members be appointed, including people with lived experience in the criminal justice system, elected officials who represent R3 areas, and subject matter experts in the R3 Program's funding priority areas. The appointment timeline for the new board members has been extended due to coronavirus, but appointments will be finalized in the next few days. Representative Gordon-Booth asked what process has been established for the potential appointments. Deputy Chief of Staff and General Counsel Pitts referred to the self-nomination application process available through the website for the Office of Executive Appointments, and noted that an ask was made to board members for recommendations.

V. Member Updates

ICJIA Acting Director and board member Stamps provided the R3 Program Board with an R3 Community Engagement Plan to take place during the days leading up to the NOFO and after its release on May 18, 2020. Key information will be shared by the Office of the Lieutenant Governor for R3 Program Board members and legislators to share with their communities.

VI. Public Comments

No public comments were made.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m. on April 28, 2020.

The next meeting for the R3 Board is TBD, but further details will follow soon.