Jail Services and Incarceration Alternatives and King County District Court Update

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Background

- City: Misdemeanors and Gross Misdemeanors
- Separation of Powers
 - Judge has final decision
- Every case is different



Jail Sentencing

- Jail sentences served at SCORE and King County Jails
- King County Jail Population Management:
 - Budget shortfall and increasing jail population
 - Working to implement efficiencies



Alternatives to Jail

- Community Center for Alternative Programs
- Community Work Program:
 - Manual labor
 - 2014: 80 offenders sentenced
- Consumer Awareness Class



Alternatives to Jail (cont'd)

- DUI Victims Impact Panel
 - Alcohol-related offenses
- Electronic Home Monitoring
 - Different types
 - 2014: 31 offenders sentenced



Alternatives to Jail (cont'd)

- Restitution
- Treatment Programs for Alcohol/Drug Use/ Domestic Violence/Mental Health Issues
- Work Education Release



Jail Alternatives Costs

Alternatives are generally a cost benefit

Sentence	Base Cost to City Per Day	Approximate Base Cost to Offender Per Day/Event
Community Work Program	\$0	\$0
Consumer Awareness Class	\$0	\$65
DUI Victims Impact Panel	\$0	\$60
Electronic Home Monitoring	\$0	\$14 (2014 rate)
Work Release (King County Jail)	\$102.41	based on hourly rate of gross pay
Jail (SCORE)	\$97 (Guaranteed bed rate)	\$0
Jail (King County)	\$146.65	\$0

Judiciary Tools

- Regional Mental Health Court
- Regional Veterans Court
- Screening process
 - Eligibility requirements
 - Defendant must be amenable to treatment



Usage of Tools and Options

- Balance between punishment, treatment and community safety
- City has limited role and impact
- All tools being used when possible and appropriate



Questions?

