



Connecticut Information Sharing System (CISS) Moving Forward Strategy

Background

The state of Connecticut's Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) Governing Board has undertaken the Connecticut Information Sharing System (CISS) project to improve information sharing throughout the state's criminal justice community in order to comply with Public Act 08-01. CISS is the **first statewide unified information sharing system** to promote the immediate and seamless sharing of information between all law enforcement and criminal justice agencies in Connecticut. This will allow the State to **do lot more with lot less**.

Where are we today?

- Completed, approved and released the Request For Proposal (RFP).
- Completed the Proposal Evaluation Instructions.
- Established the Proposal Review Committee.
- Completed and reviewed Cost/Benefit Analysis by the Savings Validation Committee.
- Delivered Connecticut Information Sharing System (CISS) Briefing Paper to CJIS Governing Board.
- Completed the exchange and process modeling.
- Finalized CISS Requirements.
- Finalized CISS Project Structure.
- Completed the CISS Staffing Model.
- Completed the SDM Business Issues Phase.
- Began the SDM Business Requirements Phase.

Next 180 day plan

- Review vendor proposals and select a vendor.
- Negotiate and execute a contract.
- Hire key CISS staff (Program manager, Business Manager, Project managers, and key members of the development team before May 31, 2011).

Recommendations to successfully implement CISS

1. Provide adequate support staff, administrative and technical, under the sole and direct supervision of the Executive Director and accountable solely to the Executive Director.
2. The Bond funding for the CISS project should be approved as soon as possible.
3. The Operational funding for CISS should be approved for the next four years.
4. A Service Level Agreement (SLA) should be established with DoIT. CJIS Governing Board must have the ability to compare cost estimated by DoIT with outside firms to determine where to procure the services.
5. The CJIS Governing Board should have the ability to set technology standards that are specific to CJIS Community.
6. Language in PA 07-04 JSS Sec. 36 should specify that CJIS Governing Board (rather than DoIT) will receive, at minimum, \$1.3 MM in revenue for the CJIS initiatives.
7. CJIS Governing Board should have full access to Public Safety Data Network (PSDN) and Connecticut On-Line Law Enforcement Teleprocessing (COLLECT) network.
8. Change Conn. Gen. Stat. 54-142q to encompass all CJIS Governing Board applications exemption from FOIA.