



April 22, 2010

## FAYETTE COUNTY DATA REPORTING IMPROVEMENT PLAN

#### SECTION 1

Pursuant to Article 60.10, Texas Code of Criminal Procedure, the Fayette County Local Data Advisory Board adopts this as the Data Reporting Improvement Plan. By resolution dated October 26, 2009, the Fayette County Commissioner's Court established this board to meet and establish a data reporting and improvement plan which will meet the Legislative requirements mandated by statue.

The members of the Fayette County Local Data Advisory Board pledge to cooperate in compiling the data required by law and forwarding the appropriate information to agencies in the county and to the Texas Department Public Safety. We also agree to communicate and work with one another to ensure that Fayette County takes steps necessary for the county's average disposition completeness percentage to be equal to or greater than mandated by statue.

### **SECTION 2**

The following individuals were appointed to the Fayette County Local Data Advisory Board to represent the agencies listed below, to meet the requirements under Article 60.10, CCP.

Fayette County Sheriff's designee

Deputy Mitch Netterville

Fayette County Attorney

Ms. Peggy Supak

Fayette County District Clerk

Ms. Virginia Wied

Fayette County Clerk's designee

Ms. Julie Karstsedt

LaGrange Police Department

Chief Jackie Skelton

Fayette County Automated Data Processing

Mr. Kevin Wunderlich

In the event a member of this board must be replaced the Elected Official or the Agency Head will designate or appoint another person and that person shall be approved by the Fayette County Commissioners Court.

### **SECTION 3**

All adult offenders are fingerprinted at the Fayette County Jail and reported electronically or mailed in on DPS form CR-43. CJIS forms are then forwarded to the County Prosecutor's Office.

All juvenile offenders are fingerprinted by the arresting agency and reported on DPS form CR-43J and mailed by that agency. CJIS forms are then forwarded to Juvenile Probation Office.

Once the County Prosecutor's Office completes the prosecutor's section of the CJIS form, it is reported electronically or mailed to DPS; and a copy is forwarded to the appropriate Court Clerk.

Once there is a disposition the Court Clerk completes the court section of the CJIS form and then it is reported electronically or mailed to DPS.

If charges are added a DPS Supplemental CJIS form is completed and is reported electronically or mailed to DPS, and a copy is forwarded to the County Prosecutor's Office.

Any charge disposed of the County Prosecutor will report it electronically or mail a corrected CJIS form to DPS.

Any person arrested on out of county warrants are fingerprinted and the fingerprint card along with the CR-43 form are then forwarded to the appropriate county.

Any person arrested out of county on a Fayette County warrant, and the arresting agency provides a fingerprint card and CR-43 form, it is completed by Jail staff and the CR-43 is mailed to DPS and a copy of the CJIS forms are forwarded to the County Prosecutor. If no fingerprints were done by the arresting agency, then the person will be fingerprinted once they return to Fayette County and it will be reported electronically or mailed to DPS; and a copy of the CJIS forms are then forwarded to the County Prosecutor's Office.

Each County Agencies have assigned personnel to handle Criminal History Reporting.

#### **SECTION 4**

One of the biggest problems found were on out of county arrest. Larger counties will not fingerprint offenders and other counties fingerprint and then report improperly or do not forward the CR-43 form. Consequently offenders were fingerprinted twice and reported twice.

The second biggest problem was the lack of personnel and training for properly reporting and correcting CJIS forms.

# **SECTION 5**

Each County Agencies have assigned personnel to handle Criminal History Reporting and have received training on properly reporting and correcting CJIS forms.

Each County Agencies are now on line and report electronically on most cases.

When offenders are arrested out of county and CR-43 form is not forwarded, the arresting agency is contacted to find out if the offender has been fingerprinted on the Fayette County charge.

Fayette County personnel have been working diligently to achieve compliance mandated by statue. Compliance percentages for the reporting years have improved in all areas and with additional training and improved communication between County agencies, we desire to be in compliance by January 2011.

Respectfully

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Fayette County Judge

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