



The Mission of the Police, Treatment, and Community Collaborative (PTACC) is to strategically enhance the quantity and quality of community behavioral health and social service options through engagement in deflection and pre-arrest diversion.

The purpose of PTACC is to provide vision, leadership, advocacy, and education to facilitate expanding the practice of deflection and pre-arrest diversion nationally and internationally.

Core Values

- ❖ We believe that strong collaborations within jurisdictions that include police, behavioral health, public health, social services providers, community members, and people with lived experience can eliminate the need for unnecessary arrests and contribute to successful outcomes for vulnerable individuals and the community.
- ❖ We believe in honesty; respect; and the dignity, worth, and potential of every human being.
- ❖ We believe equity, diversity, and inclusion are essential in our programs and practices.
- ❖ We believe that commitment to ethical conduct, practice, and transparency are essential.
- ❖ We believe that housing and healthcare are human rights, and that access to these are critical for individuals, families, and children.
- ❖ We believe that our policies and practices should be based on a foundation of data and science combined with compassion and the wisdom of people with lived experience.
- ❖ We believe in and embrace innovative law enforcement, harm reduction, treatment, housing, and social service solutions that increase capacity and enhance recovery.
- ❖ We believe that stigma is a barrier for many individuals and families seeking help and advocate for reducing stigma in all phases of deflection and pre-arrest diversion through leadership and education.
- ❖ We believe that first responders are a critical gateway to treatment, and therefore are invaluable in our collaborative efforts to help others.
- ❖ We believe that law enforcement can facilitate positive relationships and outcomes for individuals with SUDs and mental health disorders through an officer's commitment to "service above self," collaboration, and professional engagement, to provide those in need appropriate support, resources, and access to quality treatment.
- ❖ We believe that the pathway to recovery is different for each individual and family, and that for long-term recovery, there are multiple pathways that may align with the individual's journey. An individualized personal program of sustained recovery management may include a variety of treatment approaches and recovery support



options.

- ❖ We believe that with tailored support systems individuals, children, families, and communities impacted by substance use and mental health disorders can create transformative change.
- ❖ We believe in advocating for enhanced gender responsive services, policies, practices, and evaluation that address the needs of justice-involved girls and women, as well as transgender people, throughout all phases of the justice and treatment continuum.
- ❖ We believe that over the long-term, comprehensive community-supported deflection and pre-arrest diversion programs that build trust, can result in the healing of individuals, children, and families, and can reduce trauma.