## DAUPHIN COUNTY CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADVISORY BOARD (CJAB)

**Vision Statement:** We ensure that Dauphin County is a safe place to live by prioritizing resources to our justice system that reduce the likelihood offenders will have future contact with law enforcement agencies.

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the Dauphin County Criminal Justice Advisory Board (CJAB) is to enhance the criminal justice system and public safety through a collaborative and targeted approach which prioritizes the support of evidence-based practices and innovative strategies while maintaining fiscal responsibility and maximizing outside resources.

## **Strategic Goals:**

- 1. To work with criminal justice-related departments to create and monitor suitable benchmarks to measure program impact and outcomes.
- 2. To require the CJAB members be knowledgeable and informed about existing evidence based models and best practices, resources, and impacts on the populations they serve.
- 3. To ensure offenders receive services within the availability of financial, human, technological or other resources, while supporting the balanced operation of the justice system.
- 4. To promote collaboration and accountability and ensure services are delivered in a targeted, specific, high-fidelity manner.
- 5. Integrate into practice via a strong collaborative framework supported by county government administration, information-sharing strategies across human service and criminal justice agencies.

\* Mandates for the CJAB - Summary Checklist

- ✓ Collaborate and improve the Criminal Justice System at the local level.
- ✓ Cross-Representation of agencies impacted by the CJ system.
- ✓ Must select stakeholders to chair sub-committees and workgroups.
- ✓ Dept. Heads must select a cross-section of staff to be members of sub-committees and workgroups.
- ✓ Must select a chairperson to lead work of the CJAB.
- ✓ Must maintain documentation related to the on-going operation of the CJAB and decisions made during meetings.