

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION

CCI supports and protects counties' emergency management roles while maintaining the effectiveness of our all-hazards public safety preparedness programs, and emergency responses to natural and manmade disasters. CCI urges that additional state and federal resources be made available to enhance and expand community resiliency planning and mitigation for emergency disasters like wildfire, flood, tornado and drought.

FIRE PREVENTION, MITIGATION AND CONTROL IN THE WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE (WUI)

CCI supports additional funding for planning and implementation of programs designed to reduce the threat of wildfire. Due to the growing number of homes in the wild land/urban interface, CCI supports county efforts to develop comprehensive plans, building codes and community partnerships that address the threats of wildfire. CCI supports the state emergency fire fund and the shared efforts at increasing this fund. Additional state funding for fire prevention, mitigation and response should not come out of the energy and mineral impact assistance fund

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CRIMINAL JUSTICE PLANNING AND COORDINATION

CCI supports strong and efficient relationships between all levels of government with respect to the criminal justice system and public safety systems. CCI supports the responsible expenditure of taxpayer funds in association with the safe and effective operations of Colorado's courts and public safety systems.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIME

CCI supports a continuum of approaches to prevent violence, ranging from increased efforts to punish criminal activities to designing effective prevention and early intervention programs for youth and families at risk. Where possible, programs should remain flexible to permit development of locally appropriate solutions.

COURTS

CCI supports the concept and use of drug courts and other specialty courts to divert mentally ill and drug using offenders away from the traditional court system. CCI supports adequate state funding for courthouse security that pays for the needs of individual counties.

JUDICIAL REVIEW

CCI supports counties' ability to secure judicial review of governmental agency actions.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

CCI supports the goal that the mentally and developmentally disabled should not be incarcerated in local jails, and that programs to provide alternative institutional or community-based residential facilities and services should be developed.

CCI supports funding for services and treatment to offenders who are released from incarceration into the community.

IMMIGRATION

CCI recognizes that immigration is a federal responsibility, and therefore encourages Congress to develop meaningful immigration legislation that eliminates unfunded mandates on county governments and helps counties work with federal partners to meet the needs of our communities. CCI believes that when counties choose to partner with the federal government on immigration enforcement, counties should be reimbursed for expenditures.