



## Objectives and Demands November 7, 2019

### Key Objectives

- **Reduce the jail population by at least 70%** by implementing fully the new state law effectively ending cash bail, providing ample community treatment facilities and other substantive alternatives to incarceration, and prioritizing the release of individuals requiring treatment for substance use, disabilities, and mental health issues
- **Reduce the jail budget in the coming three years by 50%**, and use this annual amount of over \$15 million for services to over-incarcerated communities, including mental health services, substance use and recovery facilities, and housing
- **Create an independent, empowered, oversight body for the jail**, comprised of independent medical experts, the formerly incarcerated, and impacted community members
- **Separate community service agencies and programs from police and court control**, ensuring that those with public health diseases and issues are treated by health providers--and not immediately criminalized and incarcerated as is the practice now

### Immediately:

- **Hold open public hearings on downsizing the jail and on current medical, physical, and mental health services in the jail**
- **Fire Sheriff David E. Harder and Administrator Smolinsky**, following recent court rulings documenting their long-term supervision of medical and physical abuse in the jail
- **End the practice of importing into the jail incarcerated persons from neighboring counties and the Federal government**— including and especially the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)
- **Terminate the services of Correctional Medical Care (CMC)**, the private firm that has consistently and fatally failed to administer adequate medical treatment to incarcerated individuals
- **Cease the use of Trinity Services Group**, and all privatized food service providers, and the distribution of food products unfit for human consumption to incarcerated individuals
- **Ensure assistive medical equipment is available** to individuals with disabilities housed in the facility, including glasses, hearing aid batteries, walkers, prosthetic devices, wheelchairs, etc., immediately upon admission
- **End the use of punitive solitary and isolated confinement**, including confinement in medical solitary, for all incarcerated individuals
- **End all profit-driven practices exploiting incarcerated individuals and their loved ones.** These practices include — but are not limited to — charging exorbitant fees for telecommunications; generating illegal profits on commissary purchases, haircuts, and hygiene supplies; and charging individuals for their own solitary confinement
- **Ensure that humane, medically-assisted detox and recovery treatment** is readily available to all in the community, and when needed to incarcerated individuals
- **Immediately provide new and/or sanitary clothing and undergarments to all incarcerated individuals**, to reduce the spread of infectious diseases prevalent in the facility, and subsequently impacting our community
- **Provide incarcerated persons with applications for public services at least 45 days before their release**, to allow for assisted re-entry and reduce recidivism
- **Provide needed, prescribed medications for those incarcerated in the jail**, matching persons' medical needs and regimen before admission
- **Implement weekend visitation**, and increase hours of visitation allotted for all incarcerated individuals
- **Provide all voting-eligible individuals held in the facility access to voter registration and absentee ballots**, affording them their constitutional right to vote