

## **Project Recovery FY 2011-2012 Program Improvements**

The new iteration of the Project Recovery Interlocal Agreement includes the following changes that will strengthen the program:

- Referrals will no longer consist solely of defendants with enhanced PI charges at County Court. DACC and the County have collaborated to develop a three-tier system to prioritize frequent users of DACC and County courts:
  - Tier 1: Community Frequent Offenders (more than 25 DACC cases and an active DACC case within the last two years and/or a defendant that appears on the Travis County list of the top 100 individuals with the highest number of bookings).
  - Tier II: DACC defendants with 15-24 cases and/or frequently booked Travis County Criminal Court offenders with a mental health disorder.
  - Tier III: A client with any history at DACC or Travis County Courts.
- Clients will be sorted into a tier and then will be screened by Project Recovery staff using a validated screening tool (ASI Lite). Clients will then be admitted to Project Recovery based on bed availability and a combination of tier priority and assessment results, including information about previous treatment episodes. The referral process will be coordinated by DACC.
- Clients completing the 90-day residential phase of Project Recovery will be referred to DACC-funded transitional housing and, when available, permanent supportive housing. This will contribute to client stability in the aftercare portion of the program.
- City and County funds will be blended to fund the entire treatment program and total program outcomes will be measured by both entities.
- Program performance measures will be evaluated monthly.
- Improved mental health services will be provided at the 15th Street facility, which houses other ATCIC programs.