

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

## **I: PARTIES**

This document constitutes an agreement between ...**at a minimum the following agencies must be represented: County Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office, Chief Juvenile Probation Officer, Chief Judge and the Detention Center (if regional detention center exists)**

## **II: PURPOSE**

This agreement is entered into by the above named agencies for the purpose of establishing a cooperative relationship in order to replicate the eight core strategies of the Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative.

## **III: PERIOD OF AGREEMENT AND MODIFICATION/TERMINATION**

This MOU will become effective when signed by all parties. Modifications to this MOU must be submitted in writing at least 30 days in advance and approved by all agencies represented herein. Intent to terminate participation in this MOU must be submitted in writing at least 30 days in advance of termination to all participating agencies.

## **IV: RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES**

All parties agree to work cooperatively to review the objectives and measures described below and will participate in meetings held on a monthly basis, unless all agencies agree to an alternative meeting schedule.

- 1) Specific responsibilities of each agency
- 2) Specifically address eight core strategies and implementation plan for each
  - a. Collaboration
  - b. Data Driven Decisions
  - c. Objective Admissions (**which includes mandatory, consistent use of the RAI created by the Montana JDAI Stakeholders**)
  - d. Alternatives to Detention
  - e. Case Processing Reforms
  - f. Special Detention Cases
  - g. Reducing Racial Disparities
  - h. Conditions of Confinement
- 3) DCTAT Performance Measures – agree to collection methodology and responsible party
- 4) How working relationship will be managed
- 5) Dispute resolution