GOALS

BUTLER VETERANS COURT

• **Goal 1: Improve Public Safety**
  - Establish frequent and more intensive court supervision
  - Require offenders to receive more immediate sanctions when they violate court orders
  - Reduce participant contact with the criminal justice system
  - Conduct educational/informational meetings with community leaders

• **Goal 2: Reduce Criminal Recidivism**
  - Provide treatment based, judicially supervised program to facilitate services through the VA
  - Use a holistic approach to support recovery
  - Connect offenders with VA programs and ancillary services
  - Identify and treat underlying issues including Post Traumatic Stress, mental health, or drug and alcohol problems

• **Goal 3: Improve Quality of Veterans’ Lives**
  - Increase employment among veterans
  - Encourage reintegration into society
  - Connect offenders with other members of the veteran community
  - Improve familial relationship

• **Goal 4: Connect Veterans with Pre-Existing Services**
  - Assess veteran’s eligibility for VA benefits and services
  - Improve access to VA benefits and services
  - Develop relationships with the offender and their veteran mentor and other community members and veterans
  - Increase offender’s knowledge about what services are available to participants through the VA

• **Goal 5: Reduce Costs**
  - Reduce costs associated with incarceration
  - Connect offenders with VA services that do not require additional county funding
  - Lower costs associated with criminal case processing and re-arrest
  - Promote economic self-sufficiency among participants
  - Require payment of participant’s fines, costs, and restitution