



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 06-13

GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE ON METHAMPHETAMINE

Pursuant to my authority as Governor of the State of Oregon, I find that:

The Governor's Methamphetamine Task Force (the "Task Force") was created in 2004 to analyze and identify possible solutions to the methamphetamine epidemic in Oregon and to make recommendations to me. The Task Force consisted of experts in the fields of prevention, treatment and enforcement.

The Task Force recommended legislation that was adopted by the 2005 Oregon legislature to implement solutions including restrictions on sales of precursor chemicals, increased funding for drug courts throughout the state and increased penalties for drug dealers and manufacturers. These changes in the law resulted in a 78 percent reduction in the number of methamphetamine laboratories in Oregon from May 2005 to June 2006.

Despite our success at reducing local manufacture of methamphetamine, use and addiction continue to plague Oregon. Methamphetamine addiction is linked to high rates of property crime and increasing numbers of children in foster care. The Task Force must continue its work in order to ensure adequate prevention, treatment and criminal justice resources are available to build on the successes gained to this point. The Task Force is ideally suited to identify the most cost effective tactics for avoiding the social consequences of methamphetamine addiction and trafficking, and to guide legislative and community leaders on how to best invest their time and money to make all Oregonians safer from this persistent problem.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DIRECTED:

The Governor's Task Force on Methamphetamine is reconvened and reconstituted to act as a planning forum and conduit that will reach out to the communities affected by methamphetamine addiction.


2. The Task Force will focus on engaging and coordinating with community leaders, the business community and public officials who can marshal resources
3. The Task Force shall consist of 11 members appointed by the Governor. The Governor may appoint additional associate members to advise the full Task Force.
4. The Governor will appoint a chair of the Task Force. The chair shall establish an agenda for the Task Force and provide leadership and direction for the Task Force.



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5. A quorum for Task Force meetings shall consist of a majority of the appointed members. The Task Force shall strive to operate by consensus; however, the Task Force may approve measures and make recommendations based on an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to the Task Force.
6. The Task Force shall be staffed by the Criminal Justice Commission. If the Task Force requires the assistance of any other executive branch agency of the State, then such agency shall provide the requested assistance to the Task Force.
7. The members of the Task Force shall not be entitled to the reimbursement of expenses or to the per diem provided in ORS 292.495.
8. This Order expires on December 31, 2007. Prior to expiration of this Order, the Task Force shall provide a report to the Governor describing the work performed by the Task Force and any additional work recommended by the Task Force.

Done at Salem, Oregon this 22nd day of August, 2006.



Theodore R. Kulongoski
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:



Bill Bradbury
SECRETARY OF STATE

