

# County of Santa Cruz

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## JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION AGENDA

Thursday, January 8, 2025  
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Regular Meeting

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315 Main St, STE 206  
Watsonville, CA 95076 /  
Hybrid (see link below)

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I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

II. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of the January 8, 2025, Agenda

Approval of the December 11, 2025, Minutes

Monthly Statistical Information from Probation and Juvenile Hall (Accept & File).

III. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: Any member of the public will be allowed a maximum of 3 minutes each to address the Commission on any item listed on today's Agenda and/or any other topic within the scope of the responsibility of the Commission. If the issue or matter is not listed on today's agenda, Commissioners will not take actions or respond immediately to any public comment, but may follow up later, either individually or at a subsequent meeting.

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Including items via email on file)

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V. Presentation: Sarah Emmert, Santa Cruz County's 2026-2032 Strategic Plan, Engaging Partners on Safety and Justice

VI INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. Delinquency Prevention

VII. SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES:

1. Jail SYTF Subcommittee

VIII ADJOURNMENT:

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## JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION MINUTES

Thursday, December 11, 2025

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Regular Meeting

Probation Success Center  
303 Water St, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060 /  
Hybrid (see link below)

### I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Present:** Bernie Gomez, Beverly Brook, Cynthia Druley, David Brody, Deutron Kebebew, Elias Gonzales, Jeri Limon (arrived at 6:03 p.m.), Julia Feldman, Reyna Ruiz, Roman Frutos, Sierra Thompson

**Excused:** Stephanie Sonnenshine

**Ex Officio:** Judge Vinluan, Jennifer Martinez

**Staff:** Gerardo Leon

### II. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of the December 11, 2025, Agenda

Approval of the November 14, 2025, Minutes

Monthly Statistical Information from Probation and Juvenile Hall (Accept & File).

**Motion:** Kebebew    **Second:** Brook

**Yes:** Gomez, Brook, Druley, Brody, Kebebew, Gonzales, Feldman, Ruiz, Frutos Thompson

**No:** None

**Abstain:** None

### III. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: None; none online.

### IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Including items via email on file)

Commissioner Brody shared a flyer for the Children's Network Symposium. Please see attached.

Commissioner Ruiz shared that she attended the Beyond the Bench Conference in Los Angeles.

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Commissioners Thompson and Brook will meet with the Office of Youth and Community Restoration (OYCR) in January to put together information on resources available to youth offenders.

The Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF) Subcommittee met with Undersheriff Ainsworth and Chief Deputy Cleveland regarding the JJDPC's Jail/SYTF Inspection.

Chair Gonzales acknowledged everyone for all of their work throughout the year.

Commissioner Druley recognized Judge Vinluan as he transitions to Adult Court.

**V. Presentation: Project Ascend: Rishi Lal, School Safety and Risk Prevention Director, Santa Cruz County Office of Education (COE)**

Please see attached PowerPoint.

**VI INFORMATION ITEMS:**

1. Delinquency Prevention:

Commissioner Kebebew shared that the Watsonville 41 Developmental Assets Group completed their first round of assessments and he will be sharing information at next month's meeting.

2. March 2024 Retreat outcomes and progress assessment and plans for moving forward with goals.

The commissioners discussed possibly extending their goals for another year and shared ideas on how to move forward, particularly if holding a convening of stakeholders is feasible. They discussed how to plan for next year's retreat, as well as working on strengthening the Commission's coordination and collaboration with Probation.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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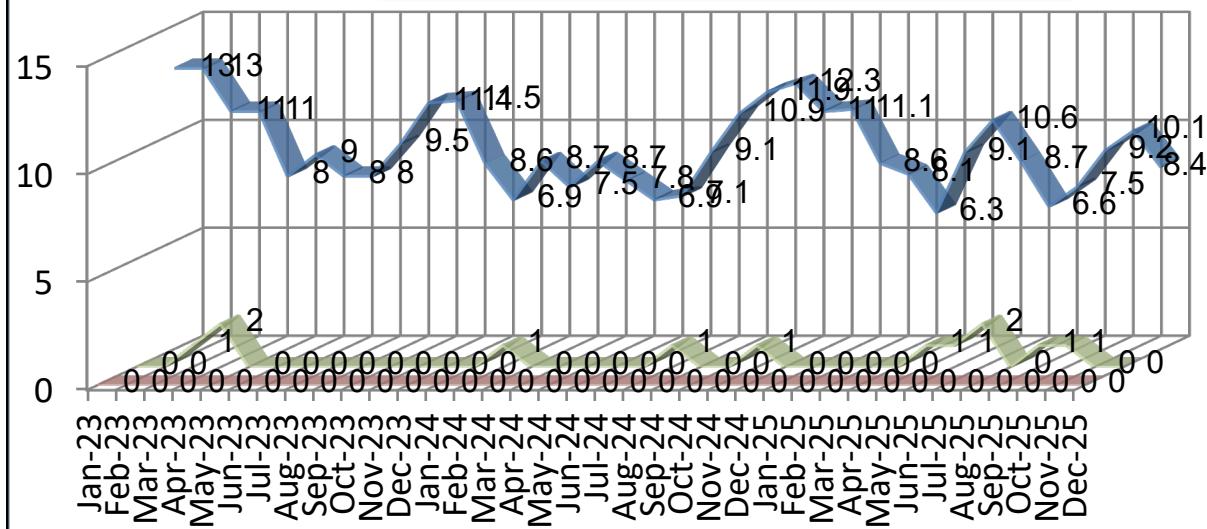
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There were three firearm related bookings in December: All 16-year-old Latino males; 2 from Watsonville, 1 from Freedom.

Youth on Probation by area of residence:

<b>Count</b>	<b>Area</b>
5	Aptos Total
1	Bakersfield Total
4	Ben Lomond Total
1	Boulder Creek Total
1	Campbell Total
2	Capitola Total
2	Castroville Total
2	Felton Total
2	Fresno Total
1	Hayward Total
1	Madera Total
1	Mariposa Total
1	Prunedale Total
1	Redwood City Total
1	San Jose Total
14	Santa Cruz Total
1	Scotts Valley Total
1	Spanawau, WA Total
1	Sunnyvale Total
46	Watsonville Total
<b>89</b>	<b>Grand Total</b>

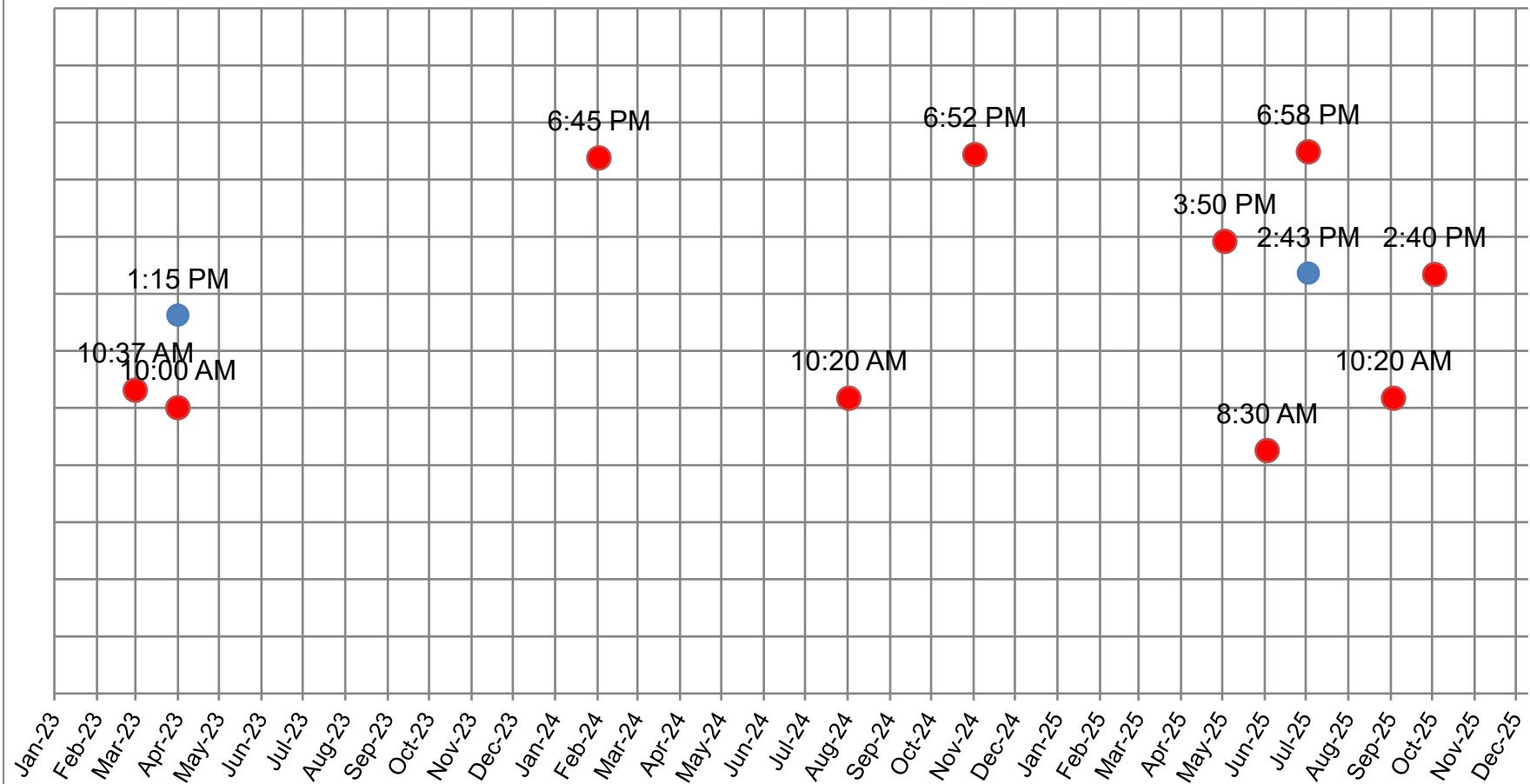
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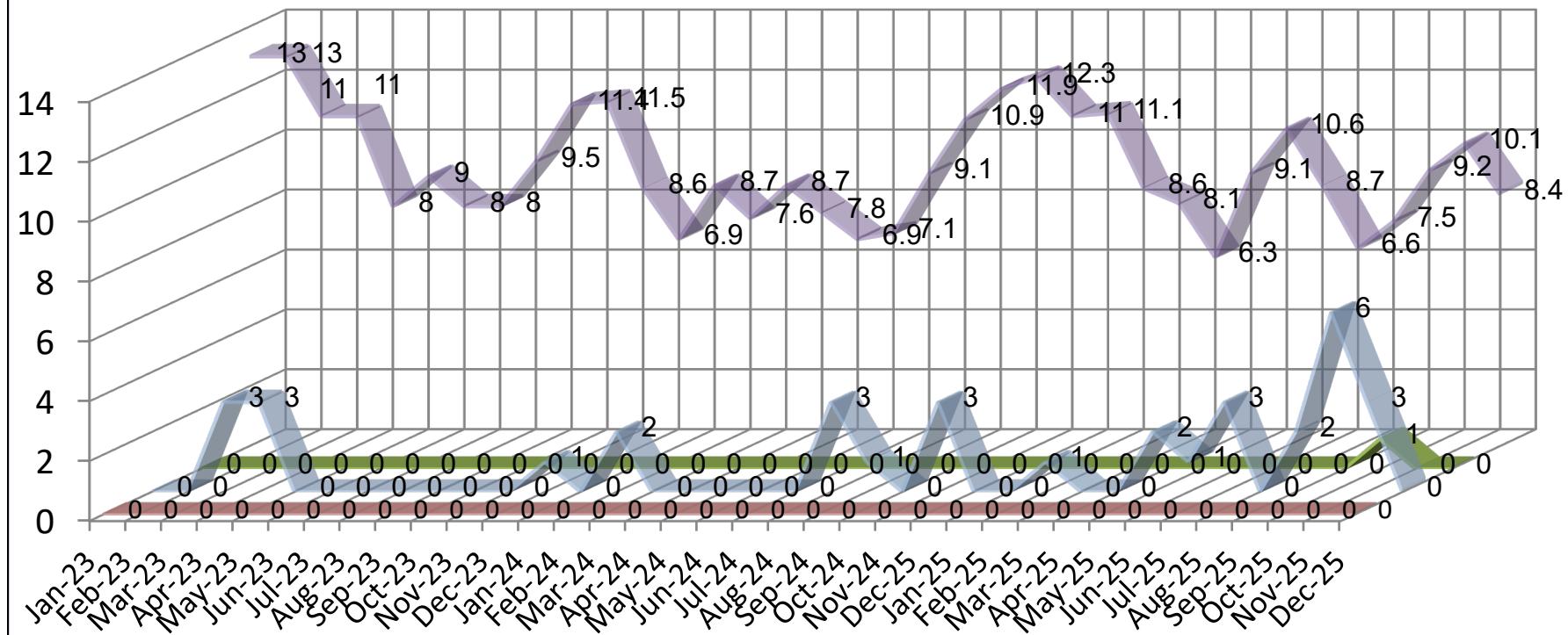
## Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall Physical Altercations: Time of Day

- Time of Altercation
- Time of 2nd Altercation
- ▲ Time of 3rd Altercation



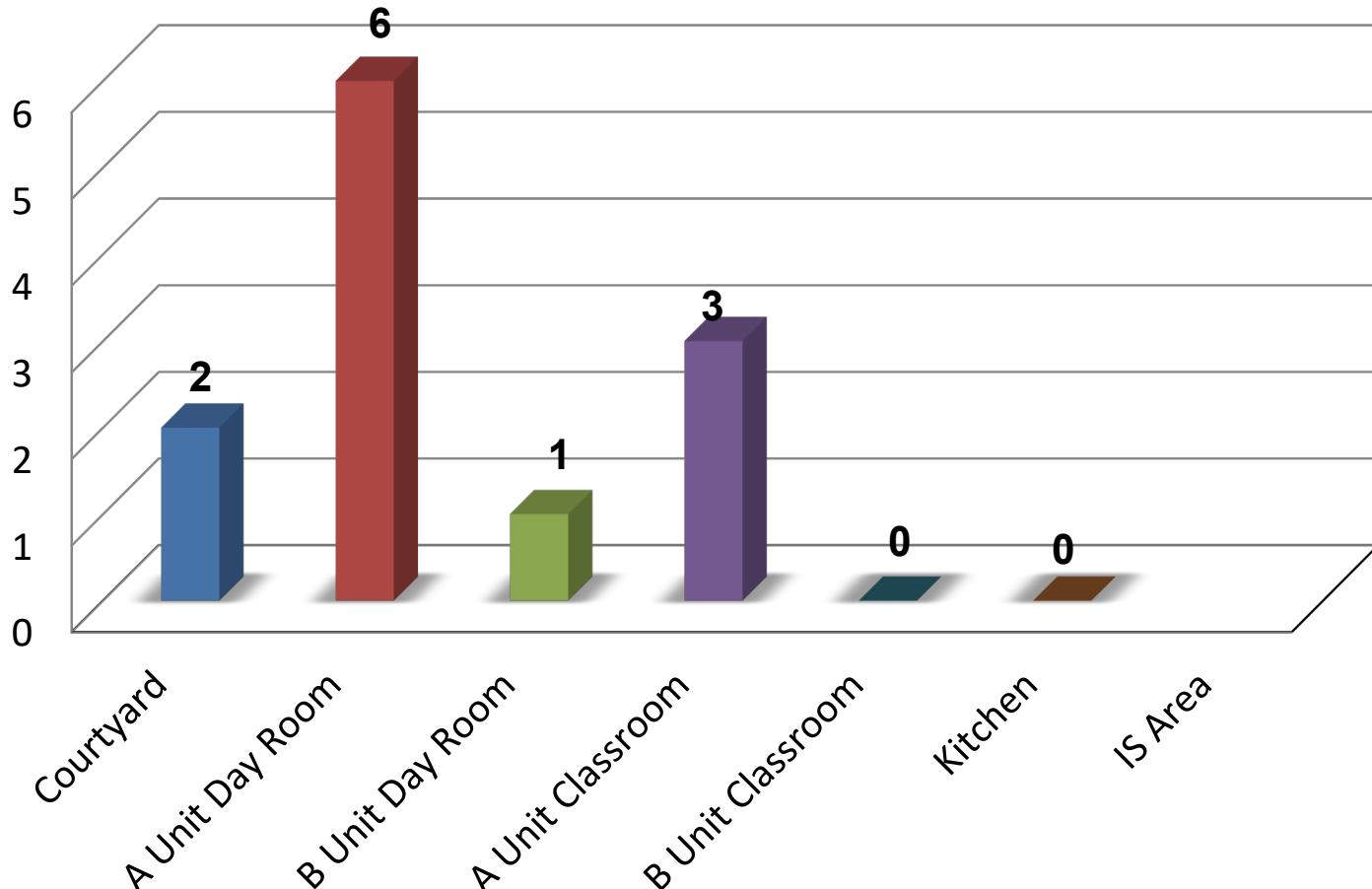
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## Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall Use of Force: Overview



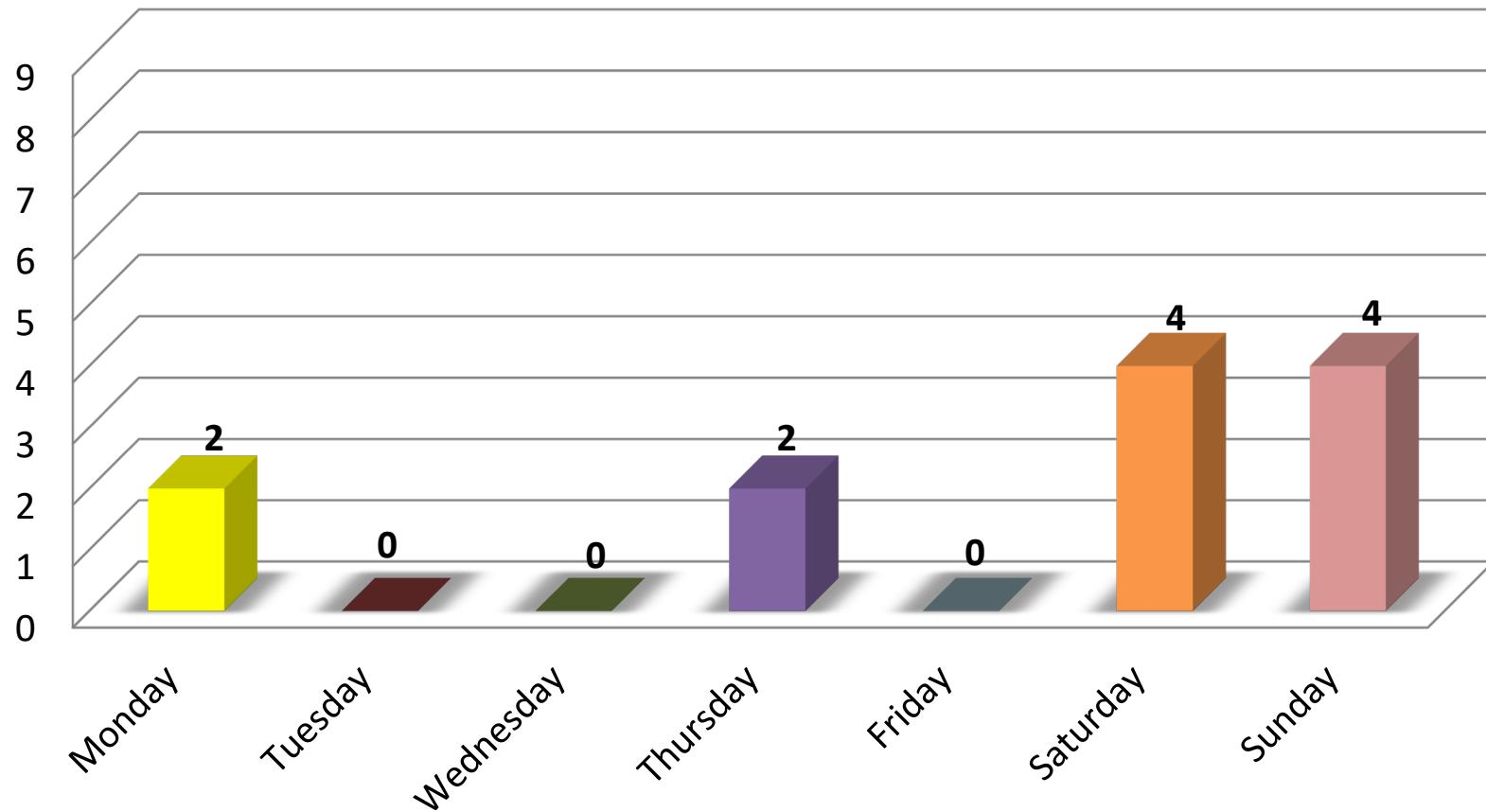
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## Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall Physical Altercations: Location

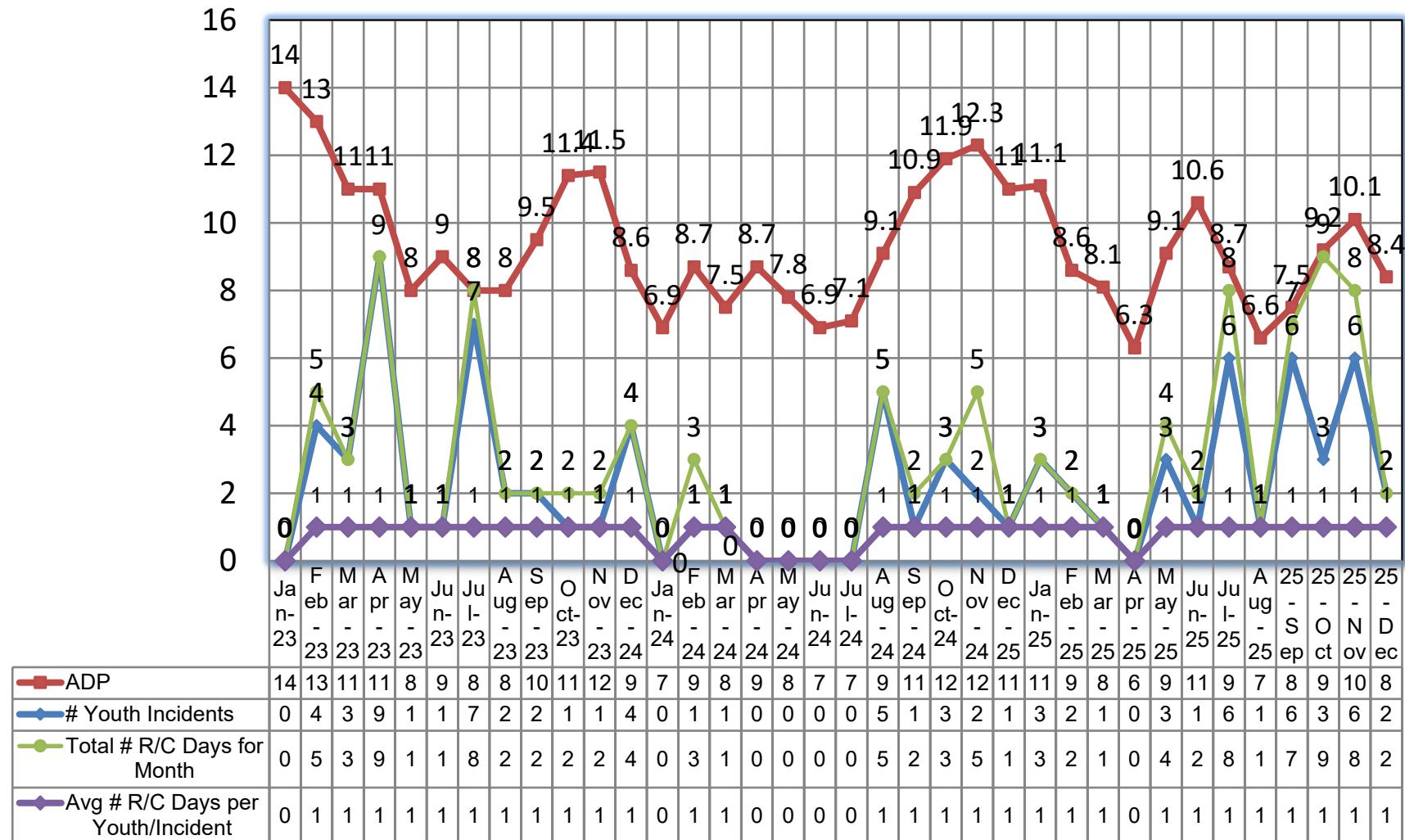


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## Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall Physical Altercations: Day of the Week



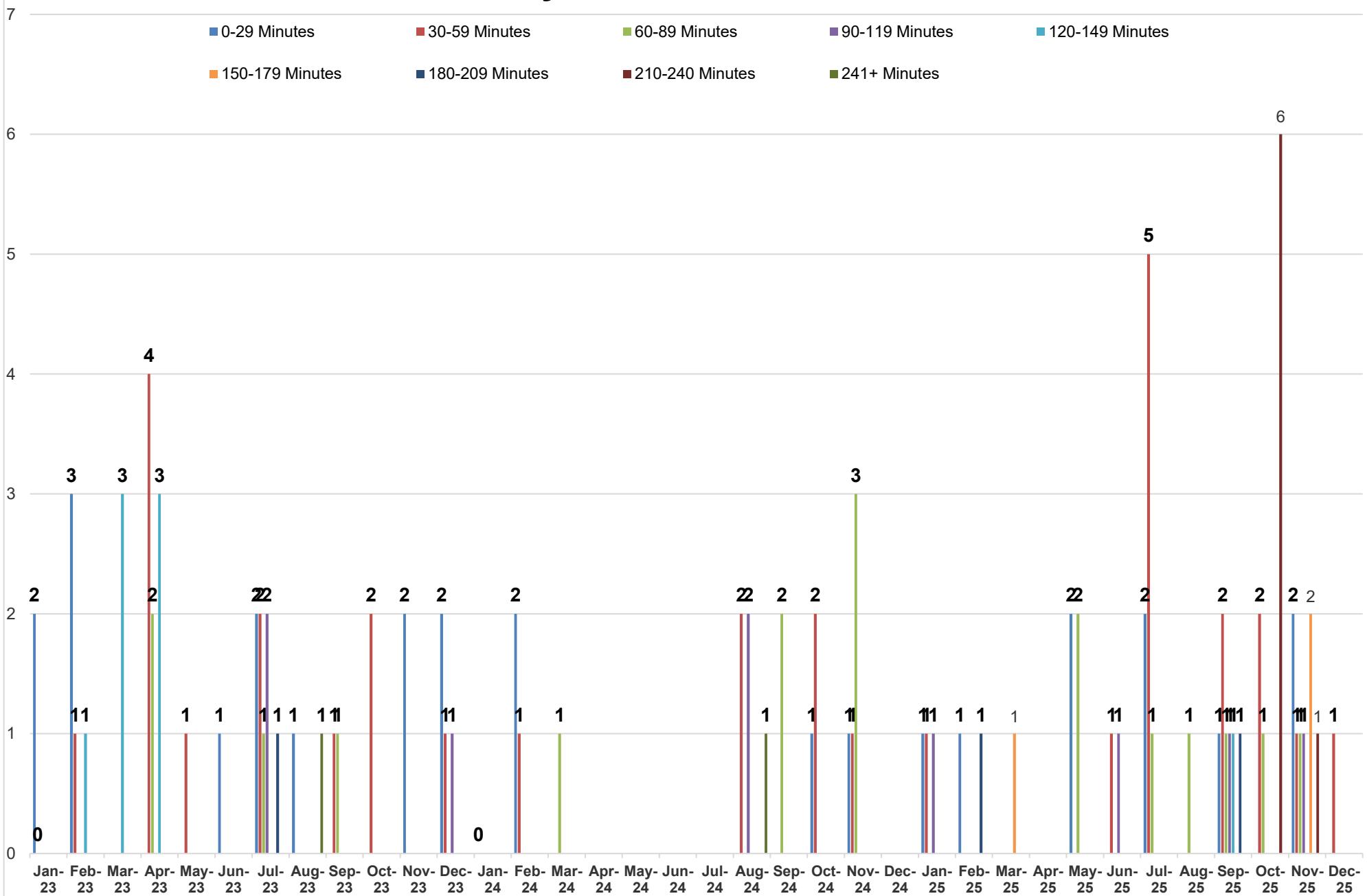
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Room Confinement: Overview  
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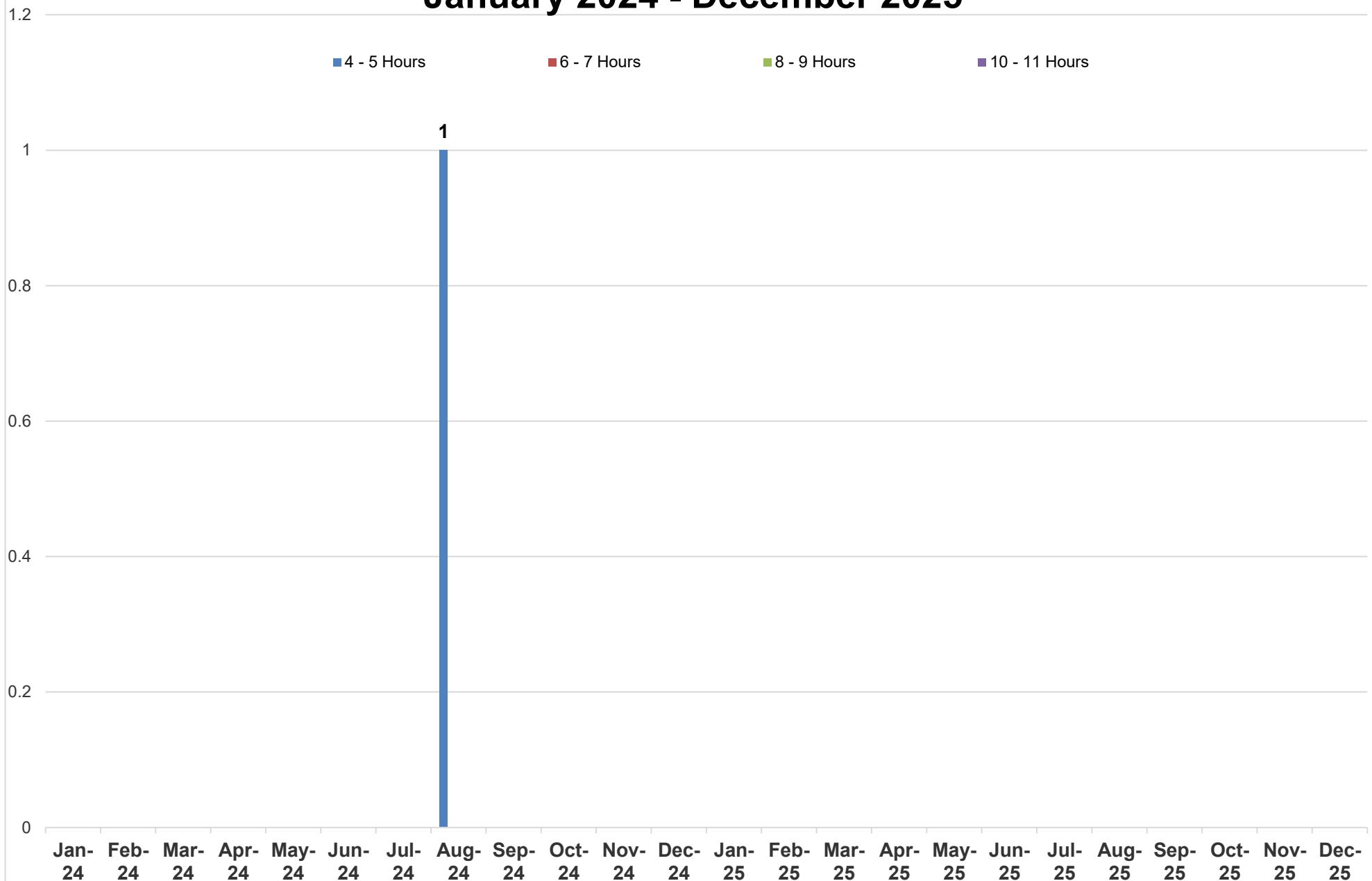
# Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall Room Confinement by Minute

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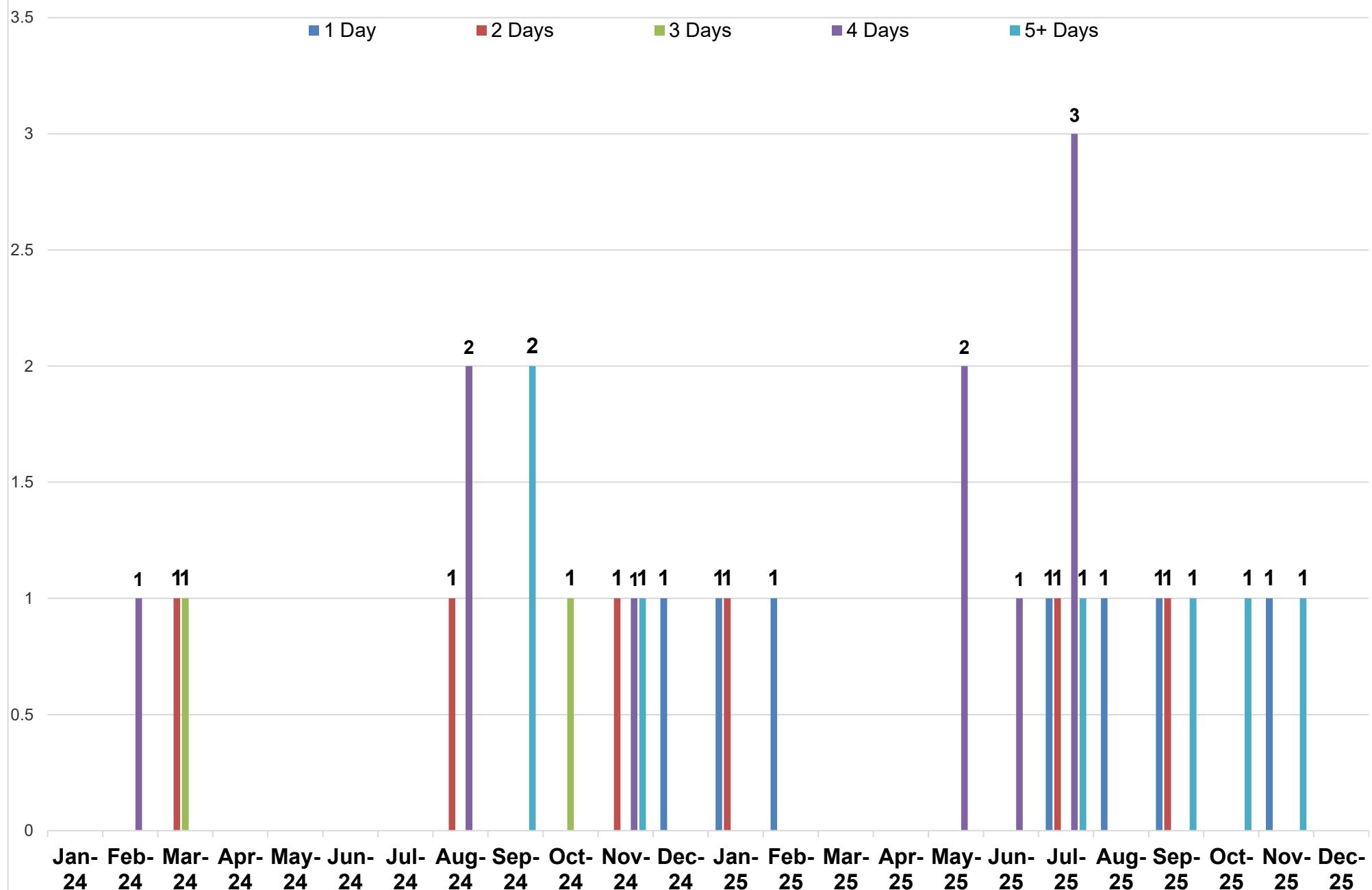
# Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall Room Confinement Over 4 Hours

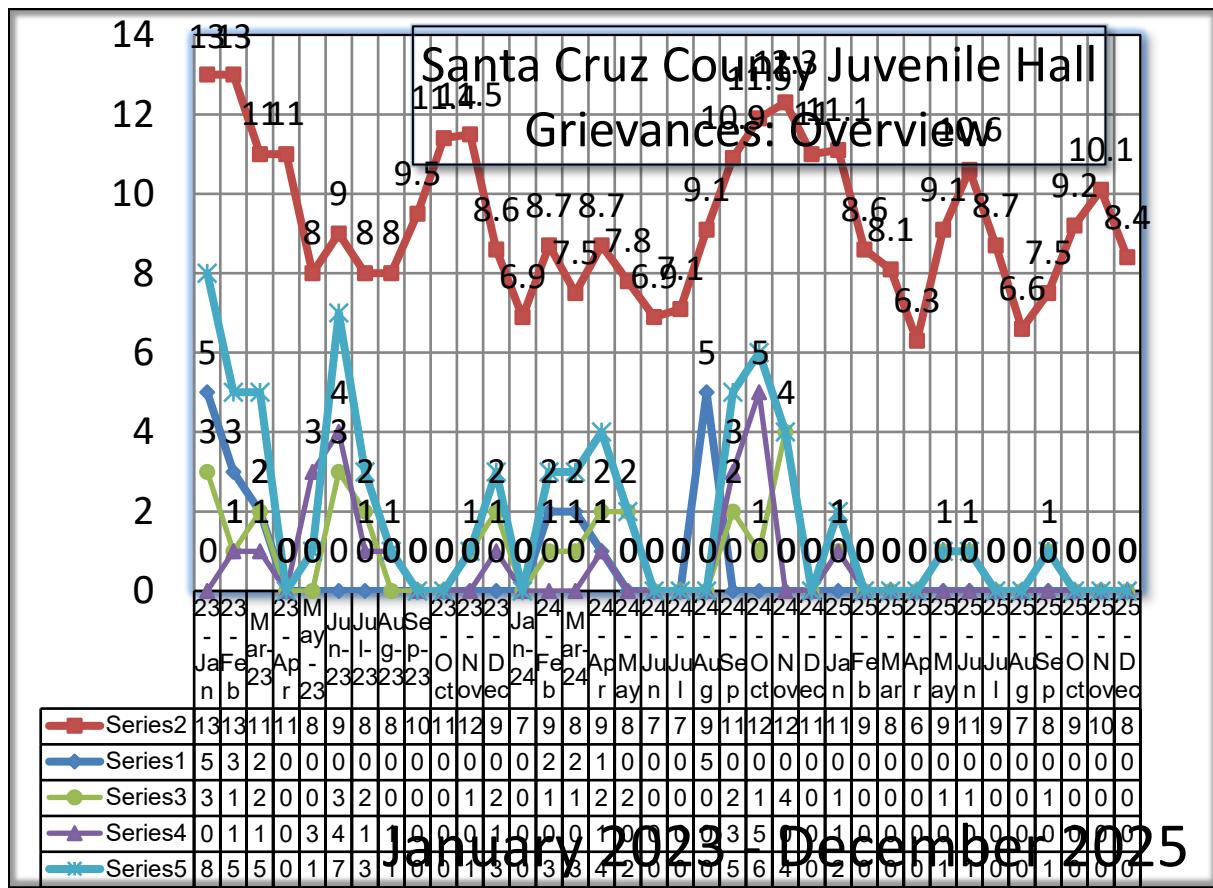
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# Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall Separate Program by Days

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# Strategic Plan 2032

## *Focus Areas and Priorities*

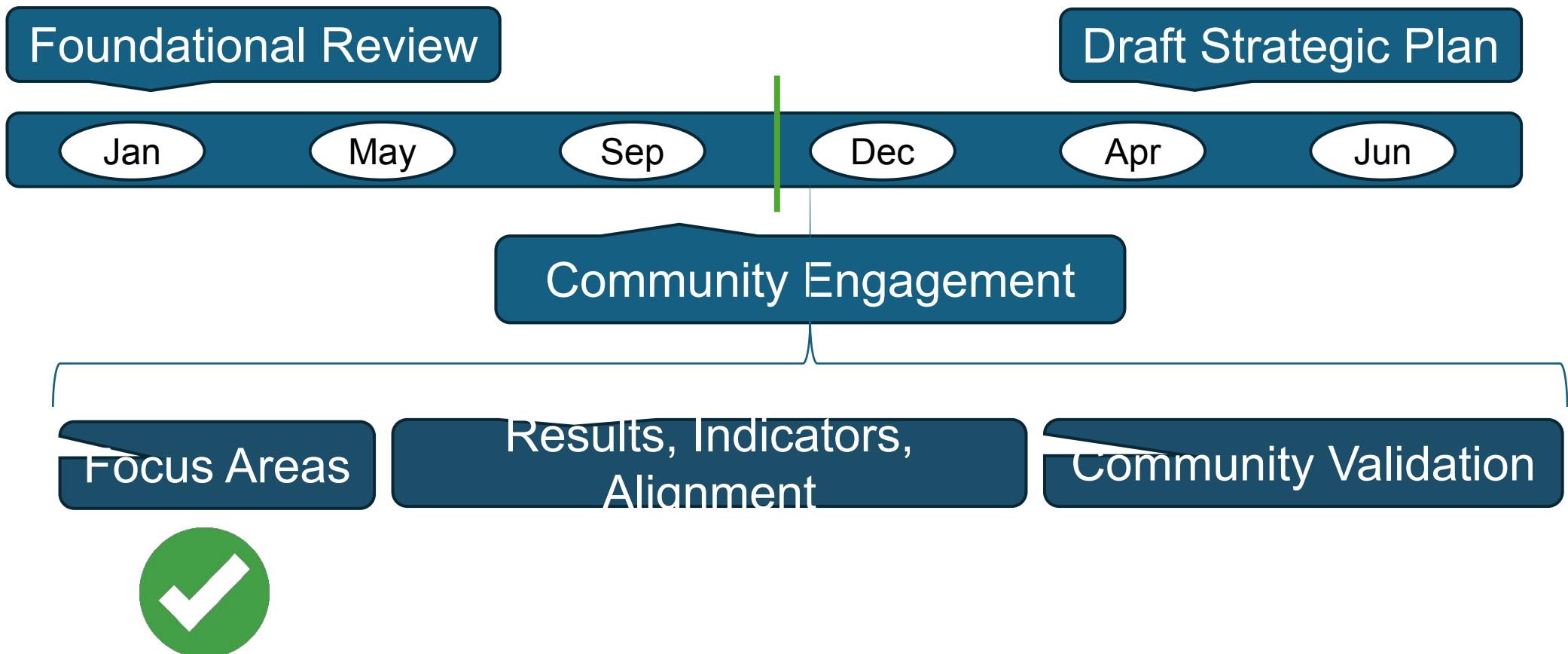
# Session Overview

- Introductions
- Strategic Planning Timeline
- Focus Areas
- Results & Indicators
- Factor Analysis: Helping & Hindering

# Welcome & Introductions

- Name
- Organization/ Community of Residence
- Check-in: What's one thing you wish the Board of Supervisors understood about safety?

# Strategic Plan Project Timeline

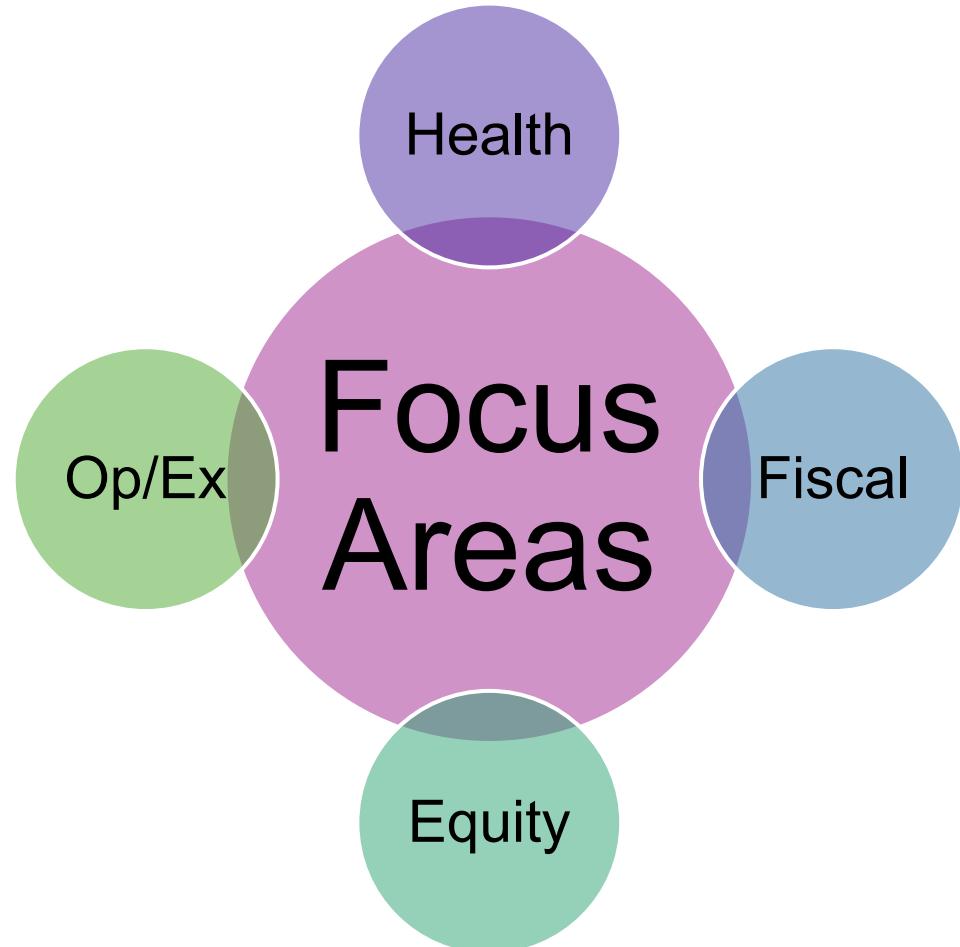


# **Focus Areas:** Broad areas of interest in the County's influence



# Applying Health, Equity, and Fiscal Lenses

- Health in All Policies:  
Advancing wellbeing in decision making
- Equity: Increasing belonging, inclusion, and access
- Fiscal: Ensuring sustainability and accountability
- Operational Excellence:  
Getting stuff done



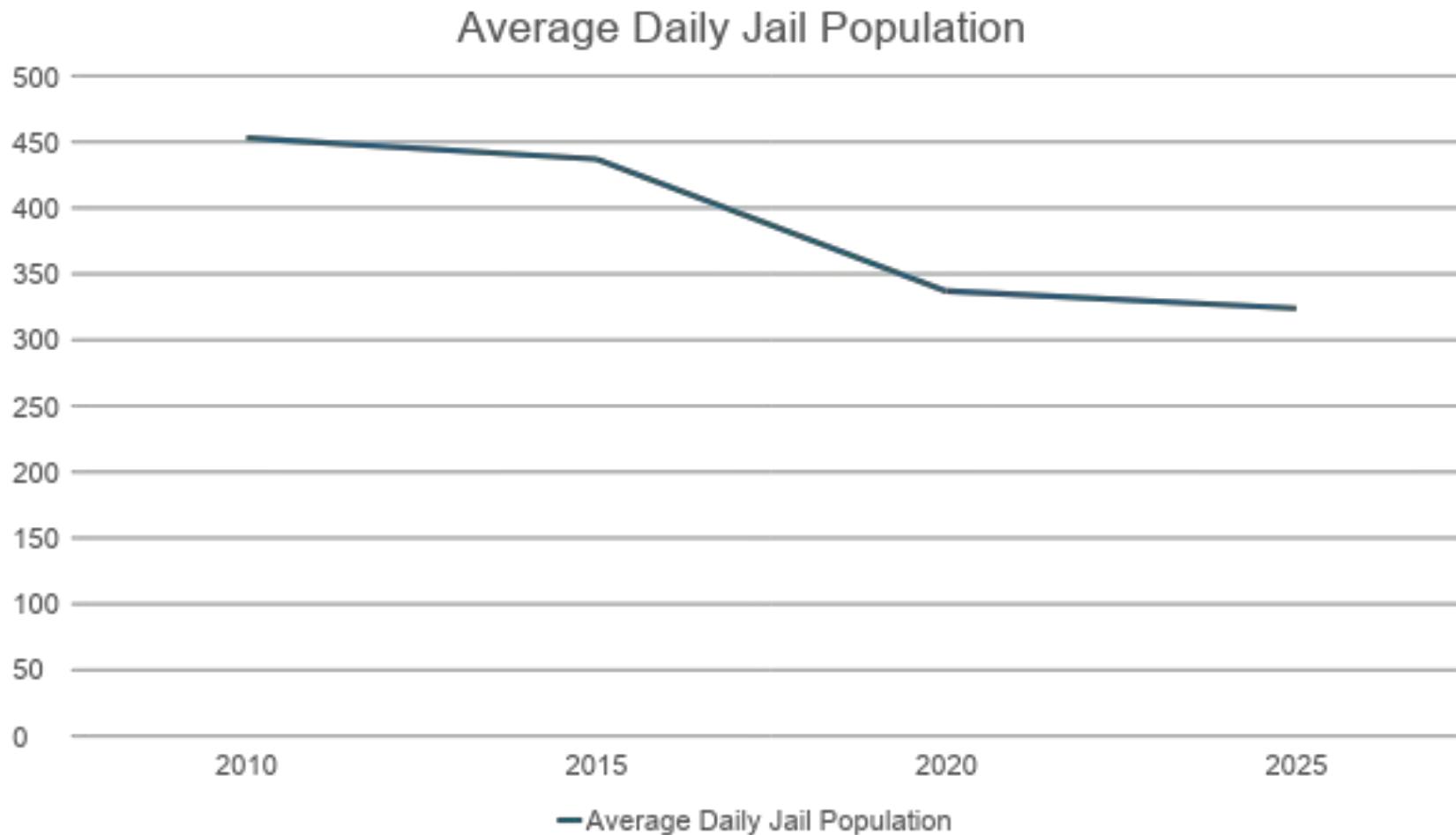
# **Focus Area: Safety and Justice**

## **Result Statement:**

All people live in safe neighborhoods, experience fair treatment in justice systems, and strengthen community trust through prevention, accountability, and restorative practices.

- Does this result statement resonate with you?
- What, if anything, feels missing or unclear?

# Focus Area Indicator A



# Measurement Discussion

- What stands out in these trends?
- Do these indicators capture what matters most for this focus area?
- Are there other ways we could measure progress?

# Helping & Hindering Factors

- What factors are helping us make progress on this driver/indicator?
- What factors are hindering or limiting progress?
- What conditions would need to shift for more equitable results?
- Where do you see opportunities for innovation or new approaches?

# Closing & Next Steps

- Key Takeaways
- District Town Halls
- Stay Up-to-date:
  - Website: <https://www.santacruzcountyca.gov/VisionSantaCruz/StrategicPlanandEquityFramework/StrategicPlan2032.aspx>
  - E-Blast