County of Santa Cruz



JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION AGENDA

March 13, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting Probation Training Room 303 Water St., 2nd Floor Santa Cruz, CA

For questions regarding the meeting process, please contact Christine Bennett, staff for the JJDPC, at 831-454-3853 or PRB021@santacruzcounty.us

- CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
- II. CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes from February 13, 2025
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)
- V. ACTION ITEMS:
 - 1. Add Aptos Village Public Safety Center to meeting rotation
- VI. INFORMATION ITEMS:
 - 1. Prevention: Next steps with developmental assets
 - 2. Election of officers in April
 - 3. Passage of ranch camp proposal
 - 4. JJDPC inspections (RC, JH, SYTF) involvement of all commissioners
- VII SUB-COMMITTEES:
 - 1. SB823
 - 2. Data

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VIII. ADJOURNMENT

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JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION MINUTES

Thursday, February 13, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

MILPA 315 Main St., Suite 206 Watsonville, CA

The purpose of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission is to advocate for and protect the safety and well-being of dependency and juvenile justice-involved youth and to prevent youth from becoming involved in the juvenile justice system. As a Commission, we will educate and inform our community and system leaders on the importance of positive youth development and advocate for coordinated and well-resourced systems that promote family and youth success and prevent system involvement.

In furtherance of that purpose the Commission has adopted three goal areas to guide its work over the next 2 years (2024 – 2026):

1) Juvenile Hall Inspection; 2) Positive Youth Development through the 41 Developmental Assets; and 3) Convening Stakeholders.

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Present: Bernard Gomez, Beverly Brook, Cynthia Druley, David Brody, Deutron Kebebew, Elias Gonzales, Maria Rodriguez, Julia Feldman, Sierra Thompson

Excused: Forrest Revere, Reyna Ruiz

Ex Officio: Judge Jerry Vinluan, Jennifer Martinez

Staff: Christine Bennett

- II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: None.
- III. CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Feldman moved to approve the Consent Agenda [Approval of Agenda, Approval of Minutes from December 12, 2024, Approval of Monthly Statistical Information from Probation & Juvenile Hall (Attachments Accept & File)]; Commissioner Brody seconded.

Motion Passed

Yes: Brook, Brody, Druley (abstained for Minutes portion), Feldman, Gomez, Gonzales, Rodriguez, Thompson

No: None

Abstain: Kebebew (arrived after vote)

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- IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Including items via email on file): Monthly JJCC meetings available as shared by Commissioner Druley via email. Please see attached.
- V. MONTHLY STATISTICAL INFORMATION FROM PROBATION and JUVENILE HALL (ATTACHMENTS Accept and File).

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- 1. Juvenile Hall Inspection Report: Cynthia Druley. Please see attached
- 2. Juvenile Hall Public Art Projects: Beverly Brook Please see attached
- 3. February 25, 2025 Board of Supervisors meeting re: Ranch Camp: Beverly Brook. No information available on Board's website at this time.
- 4. JJDPC Vacant Commissioner Positions: Beverly Brook. There are two adult and two youth positions vacant at this time.

VII. ACTION ITEMS:

 Approval Final Version of By-Laws: Motion by Commissioner Druley with Second by Commissioner Gonzales with minor change to update BSCC as OYCR, reflect commission meeting frequency consistent with Section VII.3 herinbelow, and fix minor punctuation.

Motion Passed

Yes: Brook, Brody, Druley, Feldman, Gomez, Gonzales, Kebebew, Rodriguez, Thompson

No: None Abstain: None

2. Discontinue Steering Committee / Outreach Subcommittee: Motion by Commissioner Kebebew with Second by Commissioner Brody.

Motion Passed

Yes: Brook, Brody, Druley, Feldman, Gomez, Gonzales, Kebebew, Rodriguez, Thompson

No: None Abstain: None

3. Approval of JJDPC Monthly Meetings / Change of By-Laws: Motion by Commissioner Druley with Second by Commissioner Gonzales to be effective at March 2025 meeting. Staff will inquire if adding the Aptos Safety Center location is an option for the rotating locations.

Motion Passed

Yes: Brook, Brody, Druley, Feldman, Gomez, Gonzales, Kebebew, Rodriguez, Thompson

No: None Abstain: None

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VIII. SUB-COMMITTEES:

- 1. Steering Committee / Outreach: Brook, Druley, Brody As discussed above.
- 2. SB823 (ad hoc: January 2025 June 2025): Brook, Gonzales, Ruiz As discussed above.
- 3. By-Laws (ad hoc): Brody, Druley As discussed above.
- 4. Data (ad hoc): Kebebew, Revere, Gomez No update.
- IX. GUEST SPEAKER: Jose Flores, Juvenile Probation Division Director, for an update on SYTF. Please see attached.
- X. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

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Hi Christine,

OYCR has finalized its "Stepping Home Model" which addresses and defines its role in guiding best practices for supporting justice-involved youth transitioning from Secure Youth Treatment Facilities (SYTFs) to Less Restrictive Programs (LRPs). This email includes an invitation to learn about it. I've cc'd some of the Probation leadership here.

Could you please share this with all the members of the JJDPC?

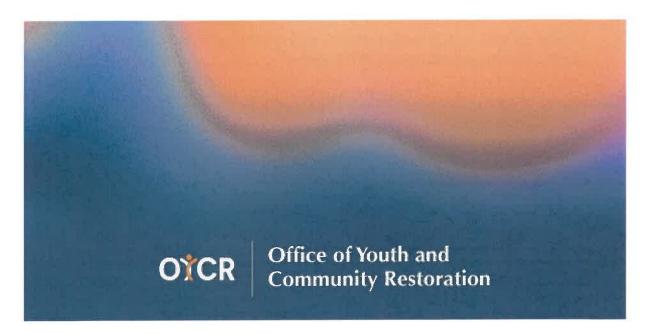
Thanks,

Cynthia Druley

JJDPC Commissioner

831.600.5363

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Understanding the Stepping Home Model: A Framework of Best Practices for Supporting the Well-Being of Justice-Involved Youth

March 18, 2025

Join us for a dynamic webinar exploring the Stepping Home Model, a framework designed to support the well-being of justice-involved youth transitioning from Secure Youth Treatment Facilities (SYTFs) to Less Restrictive Programs (LRPs). Featuring expert insights from Dr. Laura Abrams, Professor of Social Welfare at UCLA's Luskin School of Public Affairs, and Dr. Juan Carlos Argüello, OYCR's Health Policy Division Chief, joined by special guest presenters Reid McGuire and Marco Osorio, from OYCR's Youth Advisory Board, this session will provide an overview of the core elements of the Stepping Home Model, including best practices and research-backed strategies for successful reentry. Participants will gain access to key resources to enhance their work with system-involved youth.

Upon completion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

- Identify the key elements of the Stepping Home Model, including the specific challenges it addresses and its role in guiding best practices for supporting justiceinvolved youth transitioning from Secure Youth Treatment Facilities (SYTFs) to Less Restrictive Programs (LRPs).
- Describe how the Stepping Home Model promotes well-being and successful reentry for youth, highlighting core strategies and interventions.
- Locate key resources and information to enhance the implementation of best practices for supporting youth in SYTFs and LRPs.

Speakers:

- Dr. Laura Abrams, Professor of Social Welfare, UCLA
- Dr. Juan Carlos Argüello, Chief Health Policy Officer, OYCR
- Reid McGuire, OYCR Youth Advisory Board Member
- Marco Osorio, OYCR Youth Advisory Board Member

Date: Tuesday, March 18, 2025 Time: 12:00-1:00pm PDT

Register Now: Registration Link

This webinar will be recorded and available for viewing on OYCR's website, under Resources. This webinar is pending certification for 1 hour by the Standards and Training for Corrections Division. Participants must attend this webinar training for the full duration to receive one hour of STC credit.

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Thanks for all that you do to serve our youth.









Office of Youth and Community Restoration, 1215 O Street, MS-08

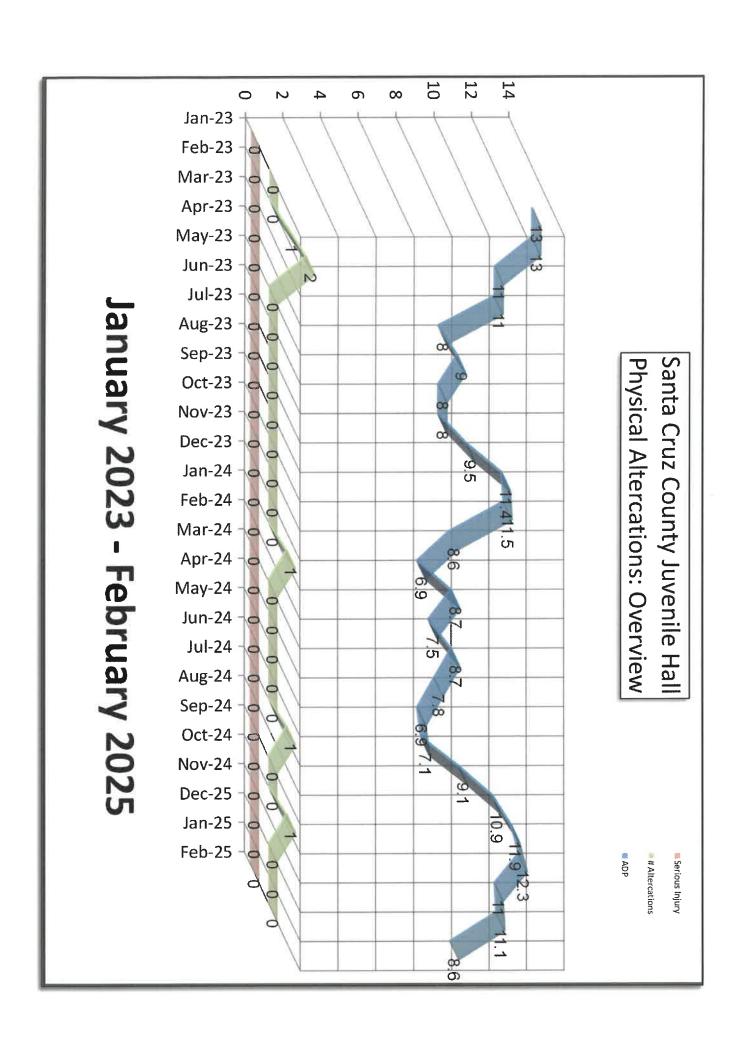
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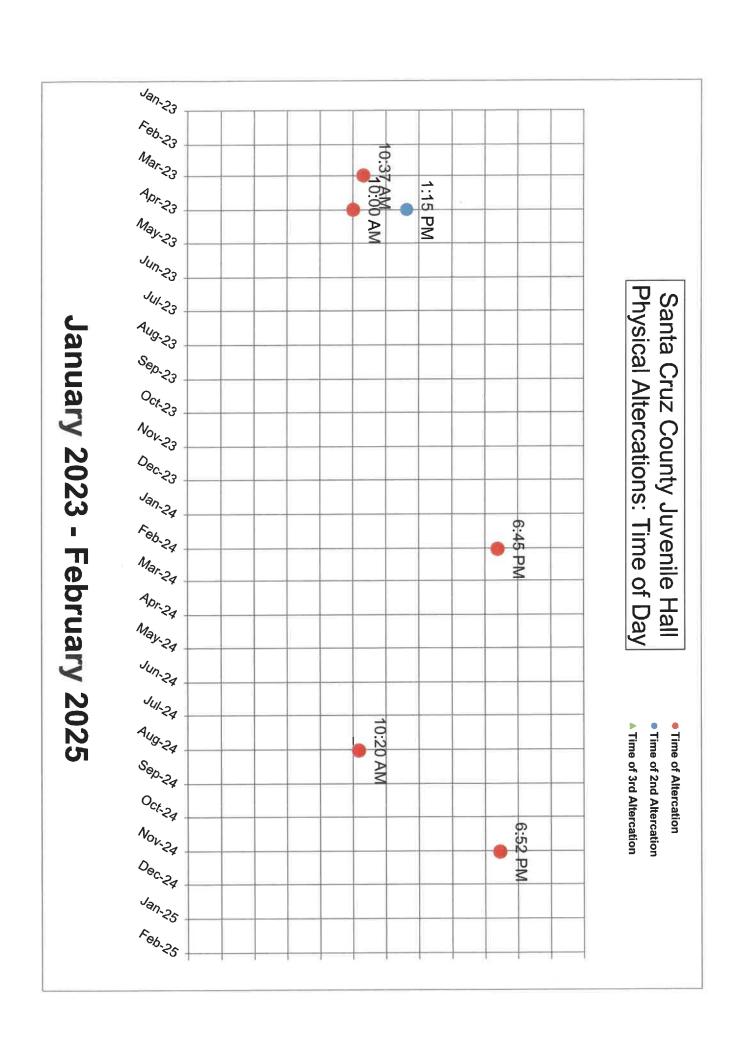
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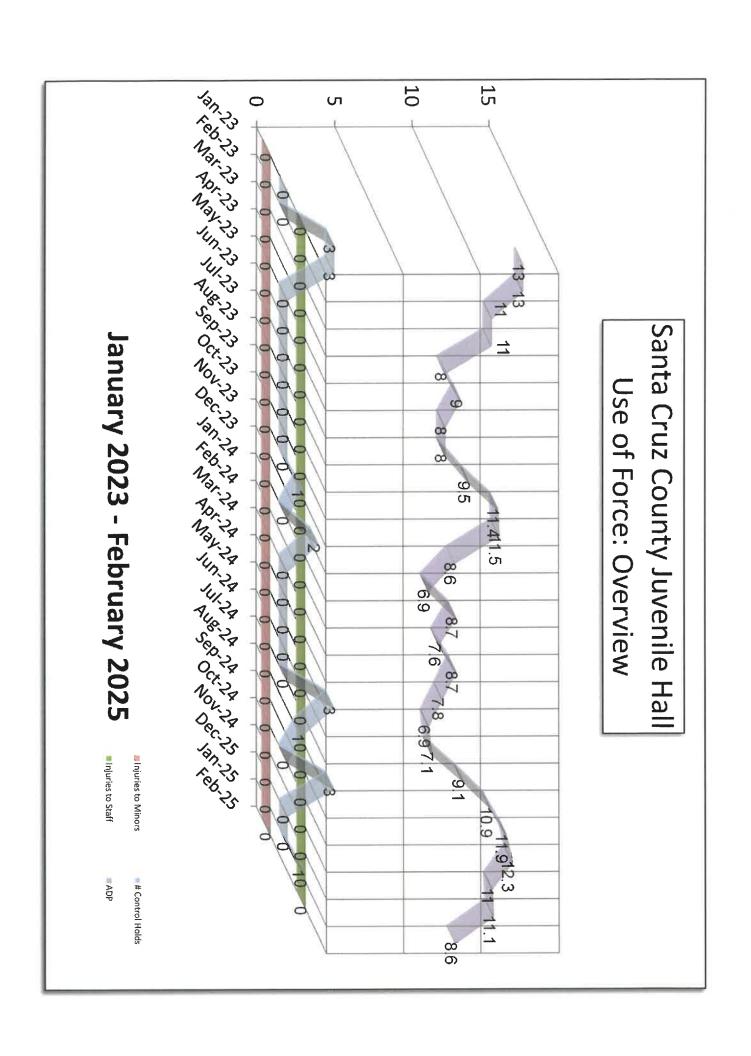
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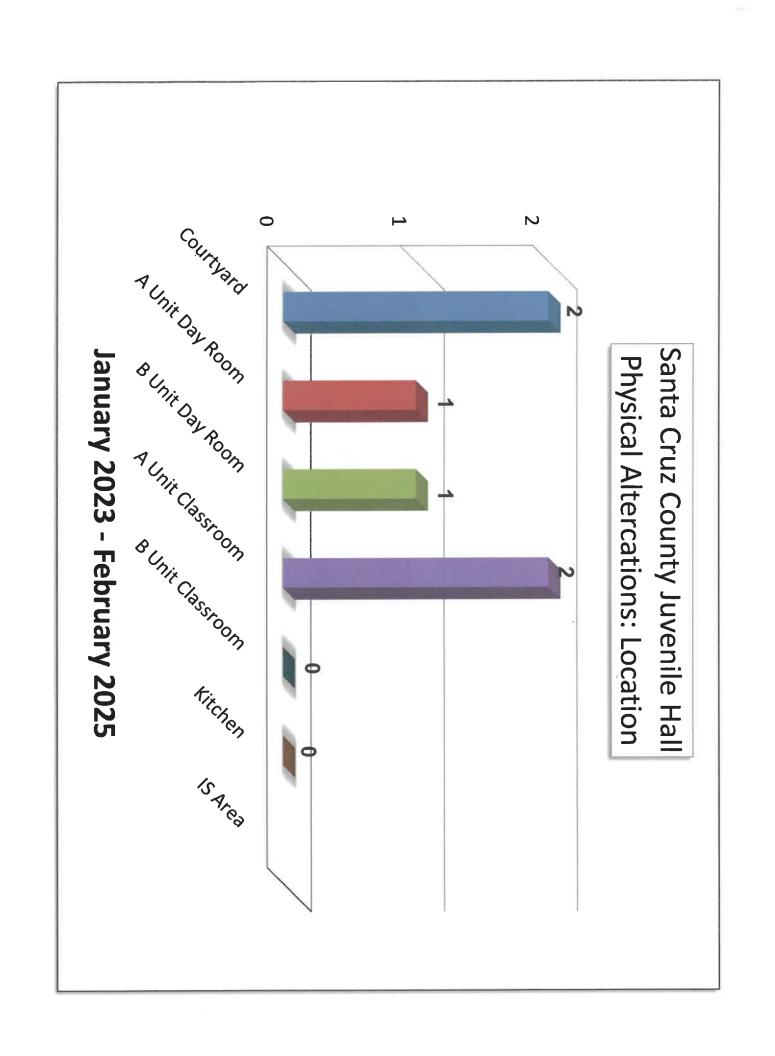
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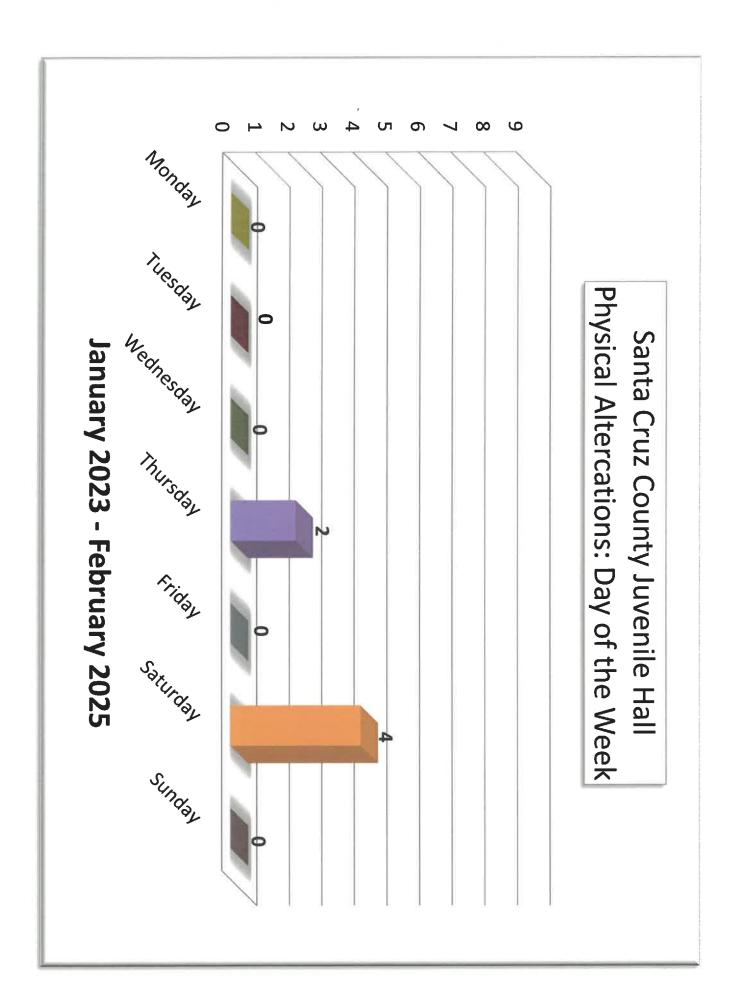


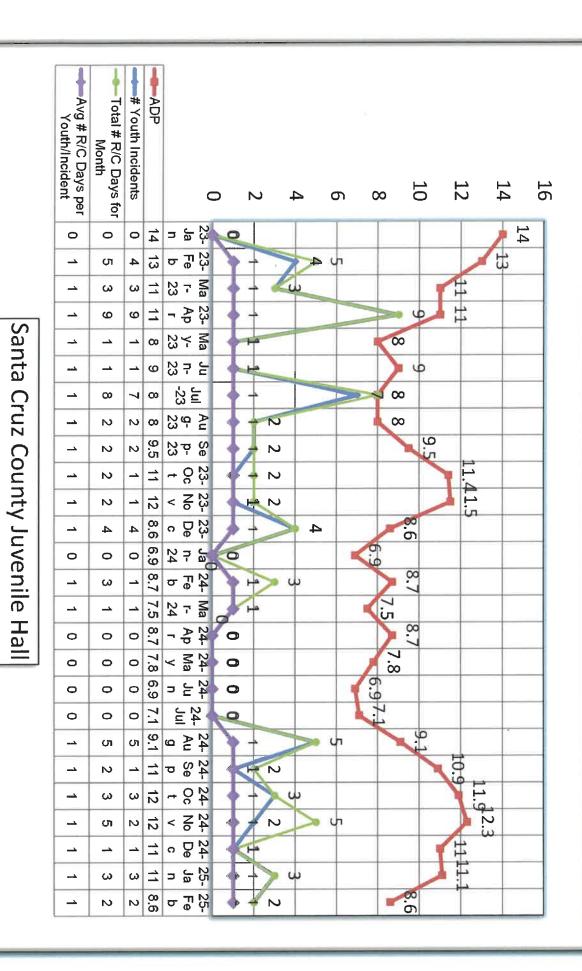




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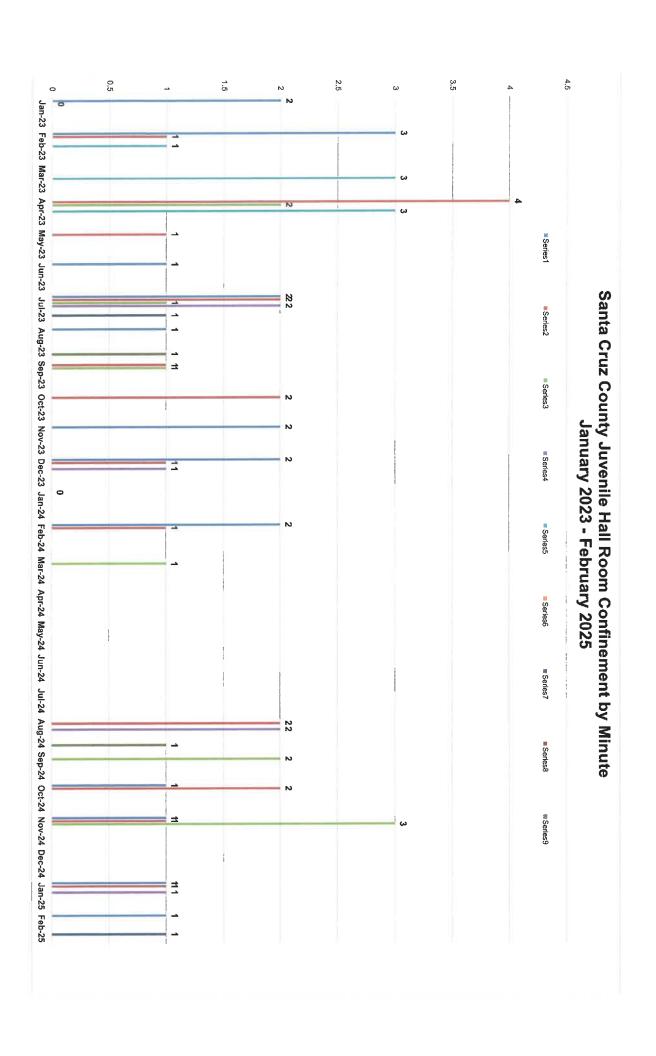






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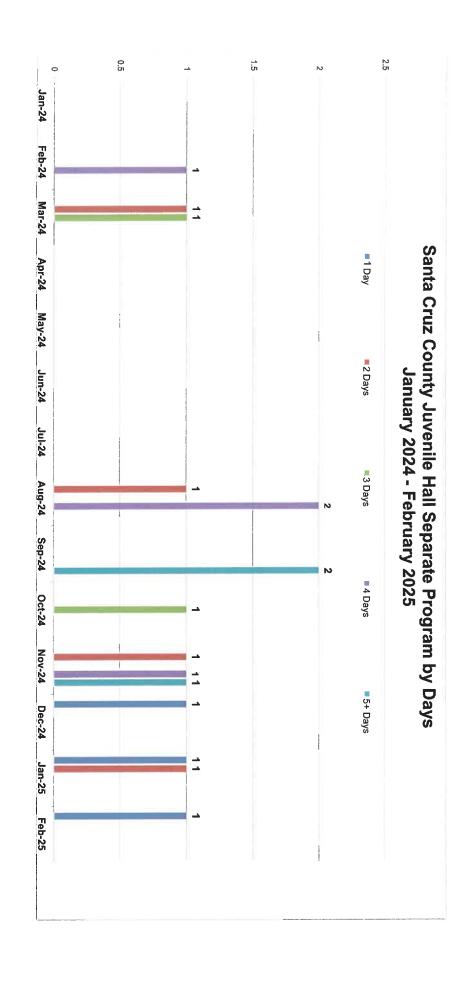
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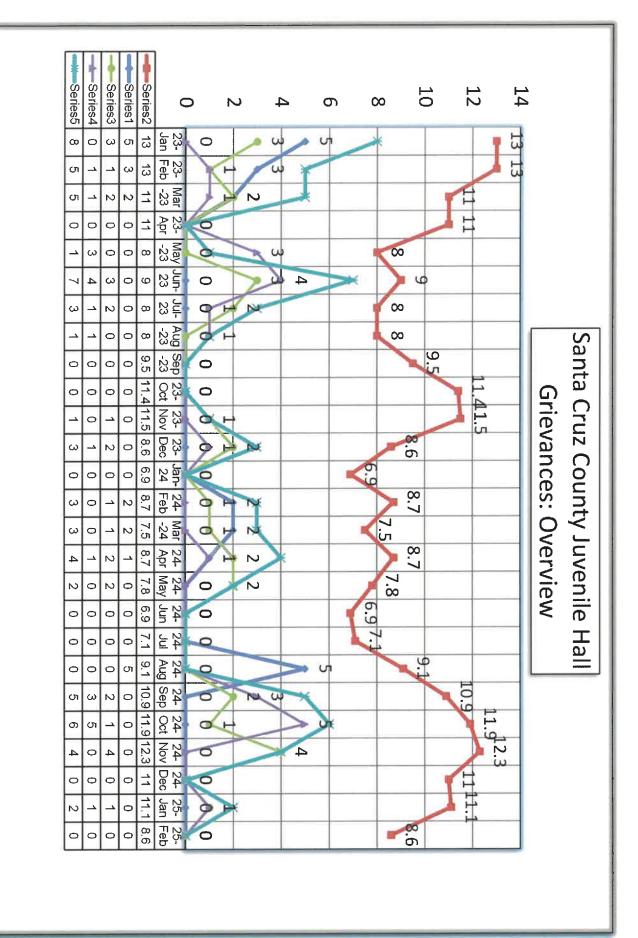
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January 2023 - February 2025

Christine Bennett

From:

Diane Culcasi

Sent:

Monday, March 3, 2025 2:32 PM

To:

Christine Bennett

Subject:

Data for JJDPC

Hi Christine,

There were no firearm related bookings in February.

Youth on Probation by area of residence:

count

Area

- 4 Aptos Total
- 6 Ben Lomond Total
- 2 Boulder Creek Total
- 2 Capitola Total
- 1 Castroville Total
- 1 England Total
- 1 Felton Total
- 1 Fresno Total
- 1 Kingston, WA Total
- 1 Loomis Total
- 1 Los Gatos Total
- 1 Mariposa Total
- 1 Oakland Total
- 19 Santa Cruz Total
- 5 Scotts Valley Total
- 1 Spanawau, WA Total
- 1 Springfield, UT Total
- 41 Watsonville Total
- 90 Grand Total

Diane Culcasi

IT App Dev/Support Analyst III Information Services Department/Probation Liaison diane.culcasi@santacruzcountyca.gov 831-454-3839

Juvenile Division Monthly Data Blast

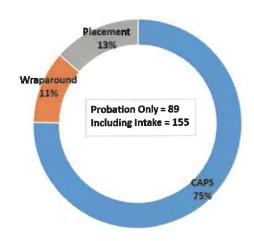
Intake

- 18 Intake RAIs administered: 1 override
- Held by Probation/Released by the Judge @ Detention Hearing: 0
- ATD admissions: 16
- EC Referrals: 4
- Recidivism Rate: 1% (1 youth)
- EPIC Sessions: 36
- Field Contacts: 78 (40 home, 11 placement, 23 school, 2 transports, 1 SARB meeting, 1 treatment facility)
- · Video Contacts: 4
- Secure Track Youth: 4

Investigations

- · Court reports: 2
- Transfer reports ordered: 1
- Supervisor Rpt. Approvals: 69

January Caseload Supervision Totals



New Supervision Cases w/Low Initial Risk Level: 1

Title IV-E (Does not include Placement IV-E)

Last Month

- Reasonable Candidates: 7
- New: 0
- Reassessments: 0
- Overdue reassessments: 0
- Reassessments due last month: 2

This Month

- · Reasonable Candidates: 7
- New: 1
- Reassessments: 1
- Overdue reassessments: 0
- Reassessments due this month:
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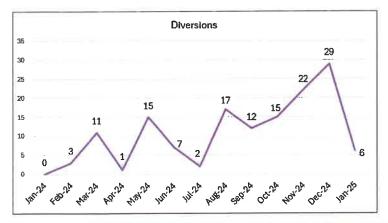
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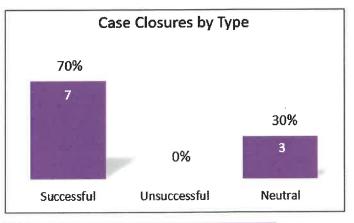
- 86% of youth eligible received a full assessment,17 youth still needed one.
- Overdue reassessments: 23
- Reassessments due last month: 6

This Month

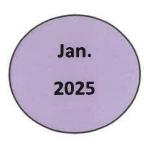
JAIS

- 88% of youth eligible received a full assessment
 14 youth still need one.
- Overdue reassessments: 18
- Reassessments due this month: 2





	Demographics	S - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1
Probation Caseload	Probation Violations	Warrants
 African American: 2% (2) Latinx: 66% (59) White: 22% (20) Other/Unknown: 9% (8) 	• Zero	• White: 100% (1)



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Juvenile Hall Monthly Data Blast

Population Info

Jan.

2025

IEP's: 7

504's: 1

Graduations: 1

Youth on Psychotropic Meds: 5 Youth with drug/alcohol issues: 7

Youth open to MH services: 12

Medical Referrals: 3

MAT: 1

Physical Altercations: 0

Restraints used: 0

Room confinements: 3

Pending transfer hearing: 4

Booking Charges (most serious offense)

Drugs/Alcohol: 17% (3)

Placement Failure 6% (1)

Property: 11% (2)

Violent/Weapons: 61% (11)

Other: 6% (1)

Booking Demographics (area of residence)

North County: 28% (5) South County: 67% (12) Out-of-County: 6% (1)

JUVENILE HALL POPULATION INFORMATION	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
6 am count (average) 1	10.8	0.3	11.1
Population in-custody at start of time period	13	2	15
Admitted during time period	11	7	18
Released during time period	12	7	19
Population in-custody at end of time period ¹	10	0	10
Average daily attendance	10.7	0.3	11.0
Average length of stay	29.8	2.0	19.6
Average length of stay without STYF youth	29.8	2.0	19.6
Length of Stay MODE	2.0	1.0	2.0
Range of stay	1 - 1374	1 - 3	1 - 1374
Range of age	14 - 20	14 - 17	14 - 20
Number of "in-county" residents received	10	7	17
Number of "out-of-county" residents received	1	0	11
Percentage from out-of-county	9.1%	0.0%	5.6%
Total child care days	344	14	358
Total court commitments admitted	0	0	0
Total court commitments released	0	0	0
Total child care days for released court commit	0	0	0
Total intake to date (current year): January 2025	11	7	18
Total intake to date (prior year): January 2024	16	7	23

Overall Population Demographics

 African American: 1 (3%) Latinx: 22 (76%)

White: 4 (14%) Other: 2 (7%)

Boys: 22 (76%) •

Girls: 7 (24%)

ALOS • African American: 261 days

Latinx: 22.7 days White: 1.5 days

• Other: 4.5 days

% Youth on Probation:

45%

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Juvenile Division Monthly Data Blast

Intake

- 15 Intake RAIs administered: 2 overrides
- Held by Probation/Released by the Judge @ Detention Hearing: 2

ATD admissions: 11

EC Referrals: 3

Recidivism Rate: 3% (3 youth)

EPIC Sessions: 28

Field Contacts: 56 (33 home, 16 placement, 7 school)

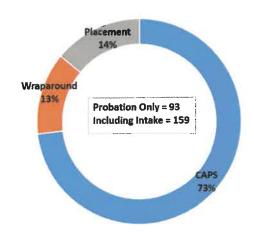
Video Contacts: 5

Secure Youth Treatment Facility: 5

Investigations

- Court reports: 0
- Transfer reports ordered: 0
- Supervisor Rpt. Approvals: 60

February Caseload Supervision Totals



New Supervision Cases w/Low Initial Risk Level: 0

This Month

Title IV-E (Does not include Placement IV-E)

Last Month

- Reasonable Candidates: 7
- New: 1
- Reassessments: 1

Feb.

2025

- Overdue reassessments: 0
- Reassessments due last

This Month

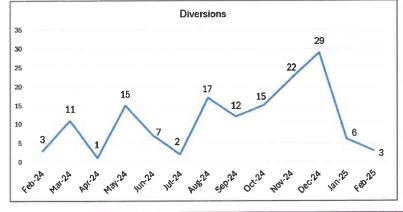
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- New: 0
- Reassessments: 1
- Overdue reassessments: 0
- Reassessments due this month: 2

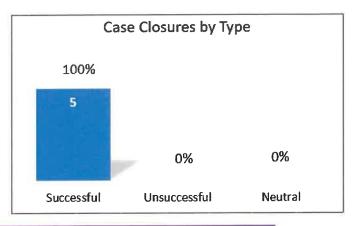
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- Overdue reassessments: 15
- Reassessments due this month: 6





Demographics				
Probation Violations	Warrants			
• Latinx: 100% (2)	• Zero			
	Probation Violations			

- month: 2

Juvenile Hall Monthly Data Blast

Population Info

• IEP's: 3

• 504's: 0

Feb.

2025

Graduations: 0

Youth on Psychotropic Meds: 5Youth with drug/alcohol issues: 8

Youth open to MH services: 13

Medical Referrals: 7

MAT: 2

Physical Altercations: 0

Restraints used: 1

• Room confinements: 2

Pending transfer hearing: 3

Booking Charges (most serious offense)

• EM Violation: 7% (1)

• Property: 13% (2)

• Violent/Weapons: 53% (8)

Other: 27% (4)

(obstruction, evade officer)

Booking Demographics (area of residence)

North County: 13% (2)

• South County: 87% (13)

JUVENILE HALL POPULATION INFORMATION	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
6 am count (average) ¹	8.5	0.1	8.6
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Admitted during time period	13	2	15
Released during time period	11	1	12
Population in-custody at end of time period ¹	10	1	11
Average daily attendance	8.5	0.1	8.6
Average length of stay	16.6	1.0	15.3
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Range of stay	1 - 1402	1 - 2	1 - 1402
Range of age	12 - 20	16 - 17	12 - 20
Number of "in-county" residents received	13	2	15
Number of "out-of-county" residents received	0	0	0
Percentage from out-of-county	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Total child care days	250	3	253
Total court commitments admitted	0	0	0
Total court commitments released	0	0	0
Total child care days for released court commit	0	0	0
Total intake to date (current year): February 2025	24	9	33
Total intake to date (prior year): February 2024	27	11	38

Overall Population Demographics			
Latinx: 19 (83%)White: 4 (17%)	Boys: 21 (91%)Girls: 2 (9%)	Latinx: 12 days White: 18 days	% Youth on Probation: 39%