#### County of Santa Cruz



## JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION MINUTES

September 12, 2024 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting Probation Offices 303 Water St. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Santa Cruz, CA 95060

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

Present: Beverly Brook, Cynthia Druley, David Brody, Deutron Kebebew, Elaine Johnson, Elias Gonzales, Jasmine Najera, Forrest Revere, Reyna Ruiz, Sierra

Thompson, Bernard Gomez

Excused: Maria Rodriguez

Ex Officio: Judge Jerry Vinluan

Staff: Gerardo Leon Garcia

Probation Staff: Jennifer Martinez

- II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: Beatriz from Rising Scholars introduced herself. Julia Feldman, CEO of Conflict Resolution Center and prospective Commissioner introduced herself.
- III. CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Kebebew moved to approve the Consent Agenda [Approval of September 12, 2024, Agenda, Approval of Minutes from August 8, 2024, meeting, and Approval of Monthly Statistical Information from Probation & Juvenile Hall (Accept & File)]; Commissioner Ruiz seconded.

#### **Motion Passed**

Yes: Brook, Druley, Brody, Kebebew, Johnson, Gonzales, Najera, Revere, Ruiz, Thompson, Gomez

No: None Abstain: None

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS:

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- Juvenile Hall Inspection Commissioner Druley thanked the Juvenile Hall Inspection Subcommittee for their work in performing the inspection and thanked the Juvenile Hall/Probation staff for their work in providing documents and coordinating staff and youth for the inspection. The Subcommittee briefly discussed how the inspection will be conducted next year if SYTF and Ranch Camp is added to the Juvenile Hall. The Juvenile Hall Subcommittee will meet next week to work on the report and will bring the full report to the Commission at next month's meeting.
- Commission Capacity The Commission discussed the members capacity to carry out the duties of the JJDPC. Please see Section VII – Adopt Every Other Month Schedule for further information.
- Advisory/Steering Committee Commissioner Druley shared the Steering Subcommittee will most likely have to be a standing subcommittee and will need to be agendized, noticed, and members will meet in person.
- Ad Hoc or Working Groups Vice-Chair Druley shared that the SB 823 Subcommittee met and gave a summary of their meeting, she noted that they are a Re-entry focused Subcommittee now. The Commissioners discussed re-entry programs, and natural supports resources in the county. Assistant Division Director Jennifer Martinez talked about the STAR re-entry program and other programs Juvenile Hall offers such financial literacy and having Santa Cruz Community Credit Union assisting youth in opening checking accounts.

#### VII. ACTION ITEMS:

• Elect new JJDPC Chair – Commissioner Druley moved to elect Vice-Chair Brook as the new JJDPC Chair; Commissioner Kebebew seconded.

#### **Motion Passed**

Yes: Brook, Druley, Brody, Kebebew, Johnson, Gonzales, Najera, Revere, Ruiz, Thompson, Gomez

No: None Abstain: None

 Adopt every other month meeting schedule – Commissioner Najera moved for the JJDPC to adopt an every other month meeting schedule; Commissioner Brody seconded

The commissioners had a lengthy and positive discussion regarding reducing the number of JJDPC Regular Meetings from 12 to 6. They agreed that this will help the Commission be better able to focus on prevention work.

Commissioner Brody suggested to have the Steering Subcommittee meetings on the months the JJDPC do not meet, so that they can continue to have Staff support from Probation.

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#### **Motion Passed**

Yes: Brook, Druley, Brody, Johnson, Gonzales, Najera, Revere, Ruiz,

Thompson, Gomez

No: None

Abstain: Kebebew

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Including items via email on file): Commissioner Kebebew shared that Asset Builders Group met last week. More information to come.

Commissioner Druley shared that Cabrillo College's Women's Education Success (WES) program is holding a luncheon tomorrow, Friday, September 13, 2024, from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. WES has already raised \$245,000 to provide scholarships.

Vice-Chair Brook shared that she, Commissioner Kebebew, and Commissioner Brody attended a webinar regarding CalAIM.

Link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k</a> tQfxVgeYM

IX. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

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### JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION AGENDA

September 12, 2024 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting Probation Offices 303 Water St. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Santa Cruz, CA 95060

For questions regarding the meeting process, please contact Gerardo Leon, staff for the JJDPC, at 831-454-3105 or PRB1150@santacruzcountyca.gov

#### I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

II. 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.

#### III. CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approval of September 12, 2024, Agenda
- Approval of Minutes from August 8, 2024, meeting.
- Approval of Monthly Statistical Information from Probation & Juvenile Hall (Accept & File)

#### VI. INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Juvenile Hall Inspection
- Commission Capacity
- Advisory/Steering Committee
- Ad Hoc or Working Groups

#### VII. ACTION ITEMS:

- Elect new JJDPC Chair
- Adopt every other month meeting schedule

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

#### IX. ADJOURNMENT:

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## JUVENILE JUSTICE AND DELINQUENCY PREVENTION COMMISSION MINUTES

August 8, 2024 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Regular Meeting Probation Offices 303 Water St, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Santa Cruz, CA 95060

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: Meeting called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Present: Beverly Brook, Cynthia Druley, David Brody, Deutron Kebebew, Elaine Johnson (arrived at 6:04 p.m.), Elias Gonzales, Jasmine Najera, Forrest Revere, Reyna Ruiz, Maria Rodriguez, Sierra Thompson (arrived at 6:09 p.m.), Bernard Gomez

Ex Officio: Judge Jerry Vinluan (absent)

Staff: Gerardo Leon Garcia

Probation Staff: Jennifer Martinez

II. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: None

III. CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Druley moved to approve the amended Consent Agenda (Approval of August 8, 2024, Agenda and Approval of Minutes from June 13, 2024, meeting), and move the Monthly Statistical Information from Probation & Juvenile Hall to Section VI INFORMATION ITEMS; Commissioner Ruiz seconded.

#### **Motion Passed**

Yes: Brook, Druley, Brody, Kebebew, Johnson, Gonzales, Najera, Revere, Ruiz,

Thompson, Gomez

No: None Abstain: None

#### VI. INFORMATION ITEMS:

Discussion on Agenda Setting Process:

Chair Najera Steering Committee is where the agenda is set, unless you are part of the subcommittee. Wants to ensure everyone's voice is heard and that they have a chance

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to add agenda items. Commissioners asked questions and received clarifications of the processes.

Monthly Statistical Information from Probation & Juvenile Hall:

Asst. Division Director Jennifer Martinez shared an update regarding Probation/Juvenile Hall's transition to becoming a Secured Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF) and Ranch Camp. Probation has submitted notice/proposal to the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) to be able to house SYTF youth locally and hope to receive approval soon. The next step will involve creating policies/procedures, programming, etc. Asst. Division Director Martinez shared that Juvenile Hall youth will not have programming with SYTF youth.

Asst. Division Director Martinez shared that Probation has learned a lot of the last few years and through their understanding of what other facilities are providing, they believe they can serve these youth well. She shared that there are still limitations regarding the size of the Juvenile Hall facility but the programs and partnerships with support services provide Probation a strong foundation to continue to build on what they are currently providing.

The Commissioners are glad to have these youth back in the community/county and they asked what the JJDPC can do to assist with having the SYTF youth and Ranch Camp youth housed at Juvenile Hall. The Commissioners offered to meet with the Board of Supervisors to voice their support.

The Commissioners expressed the desire to be involved in some of the planning meetings/discussions to provide their thoughts and insights. They also asked if there would be an opportunity for the community to be involved and asked if Probation would consider a Town Hall. The Commissioners offered to reserve a space for this event.

#### VII. SUB-COMMITTEES:

- Steering Sub-Committee / Outreach: Brook, Druley, Brody, Najera
  - Activities:
    - Agenda Setting
    - Recruitment & Onboarding of New Members
    - Process & Timeline
    - Governance/Policies/Procedures?

Please see Section VI – Information Items: Discussion on Agenda Setting Process

- Juvenile Hall Inspection Subcommittee (Ad Hoc): Druley, Rodriguez, Revere, Thompson, Najera
  - Activities:
    - Annual Juvenile Hall Inspection

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 Updates/Needs/Supports/Timeline: Commissioners Rodriguez, Revere, Najera, Thompson, and Druley have received their sections of the Juvenil Hall manual to review. The inspection is scheduled for September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

The Commissioners plan to have the report drafted by September 16<sup>th</sup> for Probation to review, make any revisions if necessary, and have a final report by October.

Next year, the Juvenile Hall inspection will be on both Juvenile Hall and SYTF. The Commission needs to start discussing how the inspection will be done and what programs/tools will they need.

- SB823 Subcommittee (Ad Hoc): Brook, Gonzales, Ruiz
  - Updates/Activities: Vice-Chair Brook shared that she, Commissioner Ruiz, and Donnie Veal of Rising Scholars toured a re-entry program in Santa Clara County and learned that they used 75% of AB 109 funds in the community.

The Subcommittee will start looking to push to have a bus stop in front of Juvenile Hall to help families visit youth and attend court.

- Delinquency Prevention Subcommittee: Kebebew, Brody, Gonzales
  - Goals
  - o Set Meetings?

Commissioner Kebebew shared that in lieu of having this standing subcommittee, perhaps the JJDPC can have a standing agenda item regarding Delinquency Prevention work.

- By-Laws (Ad Hoc): Brody & Druley and Johnson
  - Updates: Commissioner Brody shared they will take the original by-laws, current revisions (were never approved), and the new ordinance and combine/draft new revisions. The Subcommittee received the final 2.48
     Ordinance a couple days ago.
- Data Subcommittee (Ad Hoc): Kebebew, Revere, Najera, and Gomez

Commissioner Kebebew shared that the goal is to have a conversation of what data is needed for this commission to complete its' goals, and what data should be requested from Probation.

#### AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEES:

- Identify and Approve Ad-Hoc Subcommittee:
  - Community Roundtable Subcommittee:
    - Community & leaders to discuss pathways for youth returning from incarceration.

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What is working or not working re: SB823?

#### VIII. ACTION ITEMS:

- Define, Discuss & Adopt Subcommittees 2024/2025
  - o Short-Term Projects vs. On-going
  - No more than 3-4 Commission Members
- Adopt new terms for subcommittees to align with Ordinance 2.48
- Adopt: Community Roundtable Ad-Hoc Subcommittee

All three Action Items were **TABLED** by **UNANIMOUS CONSENT** for further discussion at a future meeting.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS (Including items via email on file): Commissioner Rodriguez shared that Luna y Sol has received new funding from the Department of Justice as of July 1<sup>st</sup> continue services. This new funding allowed for a new contract with Pajaro Valley Prevention and Student Assistance (PVPSA) to make referrals to PVPSA for youth 12-17 years old, their siblings and parents, to get clinical services for traumatic events.

Commissioner Kebebew shared that the Asset Development Group is planning a retreat in Watsonville. There are 22 attendees, organizations signing on to use the 41 Developmental Assets, and they are hoping to have a community-wide Train the Trainer sessions in the next year.

Chair Najera shared that there is a new Mental Health drop-in center in Watsonville, the Cope Center. There are multiple organizations providing service and operating as Alcove staff.

Commissioner Rodriguez shared that a young mother was killed in south county from domestic violence. The community is planning a vigil and looking to pull together organizations to do something to raise awareness.

Chair Najera will be stepping down as Chair of the JJDPC but will continue as a commissioner. She needs to focus on her family and organization (PVPSA) as she is still a new CEO.

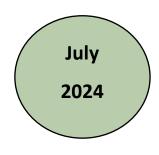
XI. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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There was one firearm related booking in August: a 16-year-old Latino boy from Merced.

Youth on Probation by area of residence:

Count	City		
1	Antioch Total		
3	Aptos Total		
1	Bay Point Total		
4	Ben Lomond Total		
3	Boulder Creek Total		
1	Camarillo Total		
4	Capitola Total		
1	Carlsbad Total		
1	Castroville Total		
1	<b>England Total</b>		
1	Felton Total		
2	Fresno Total		
1	Gilroy Total		
1	<b>Greenwood Total</b>		
1	Mariposa Total		
1	Oakland Total		
22	Santa Cruz Total		
2	Scotts Valley Total		
1	Soquel Total		
1	Spanawau, WA Total		
1	Springfield, UT Total		
48	Watsonville Total		
6	NULL Total		
108	<b>Grand Total</b>		



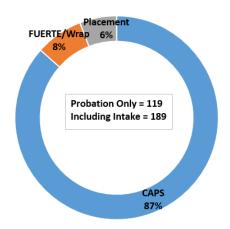
#### Intake

- 20 Intake RAIs administered: 1 override
- Held by Probation/Released by the Judge @ Detention Hearing: 0
- ATD admissions: 13
- EC Referrals: 5
- Recidivism Rate: 1% (1 youth)
- EPIC Sessions: 21
- Field Contacts: 23 (9 home, 5 Azteca's Soccer Camp 8 placement, 1 @ youth's work)
- Video Contacts: 1
- Secure Track Youth: 2

#### Investigations

- Court reports: 0
- Transfer reports ordered: 0
- Supervisor Rpt. Approvals: 62

#### **July 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: 10
- New: 0
- Reassessments: 0
- Overdue reassessments: 5
- Reassessments due last month: 3

#### **This Month**

- Reasonable Candidates: 10
- New: 3
- Reassessments: 2
- Overdue reassessments: 6
- Reassessments due this month:

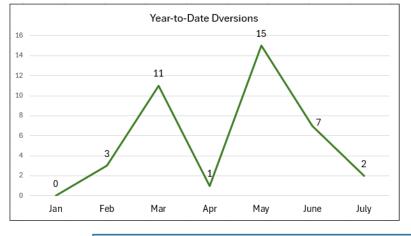
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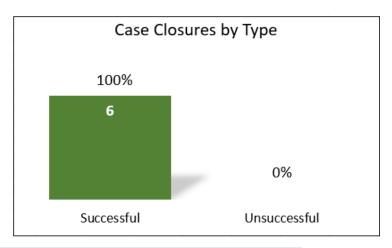
- 86% of youth eligible received a full assessment, 18 youth still needed one.
- Overdue reassessments: 17
- Reassessments due last month: 5

#### **This Month**

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- 80% of youth eligible received a full assessment 26 youth still need one.
- Overdue reassessments:
- Reassessments due this month:





Demographics						
Probation Caseload	Caseload Probation Violations Warrants					
<ul> <li>African American: 4% (5)</li> <li>Latinx: 68% (81)</li> <li>White: 22% (26)</li> <li>Other/Unknown: 6% (7)</li> </ul>	• Latinx: 100% (3)	<ul><li>Latinx: 75% (3)</li><li>Other: 25% (1)</li></ul>				

# July 2024

#### **Population Info**

IEP's: 6504's: 0

Graduations: 0

Youth on Psychotropic Meds: 3
Youth with drug/alcohol issues: 4
Youth open to MH services: 10

Medical Referrals: 2

MAT: 0

Physical Altercations: 0Room confinements: 0Pending transfer hearing: 3

#### **Booking Charges (most serious offense)**

Bench Warrant: 10% (2)
Drugs/Alcohol: 20% (4)
Probation Violation: 10% (2)

• Property: 15% (3)

Violent/Weapons: 40% (8)

• Other: 5% (1)

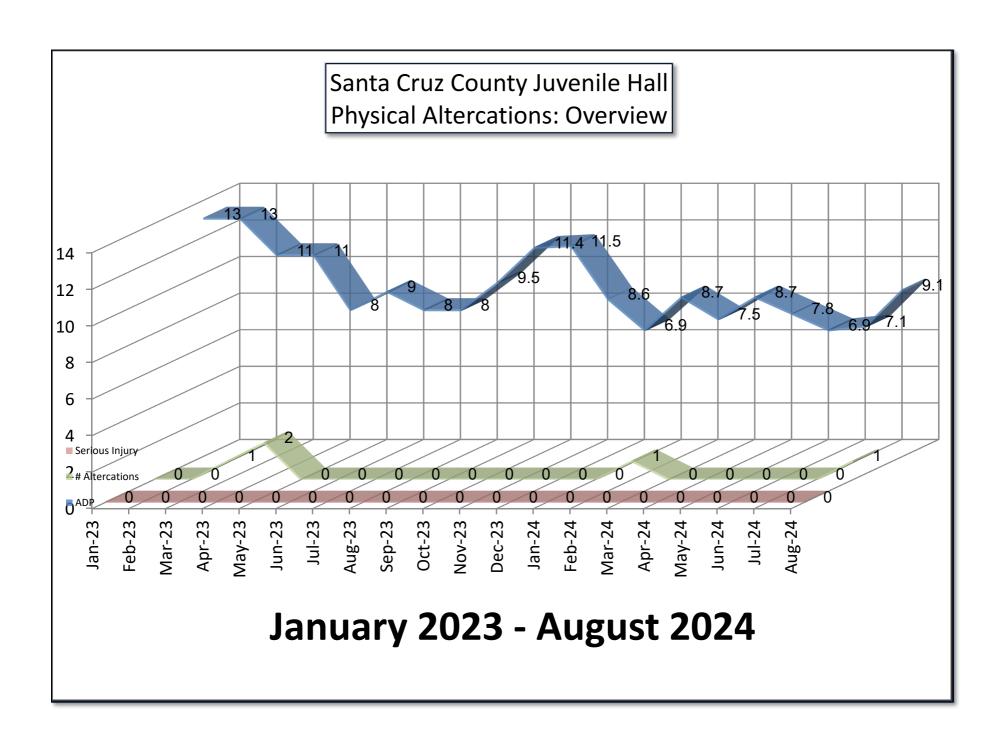
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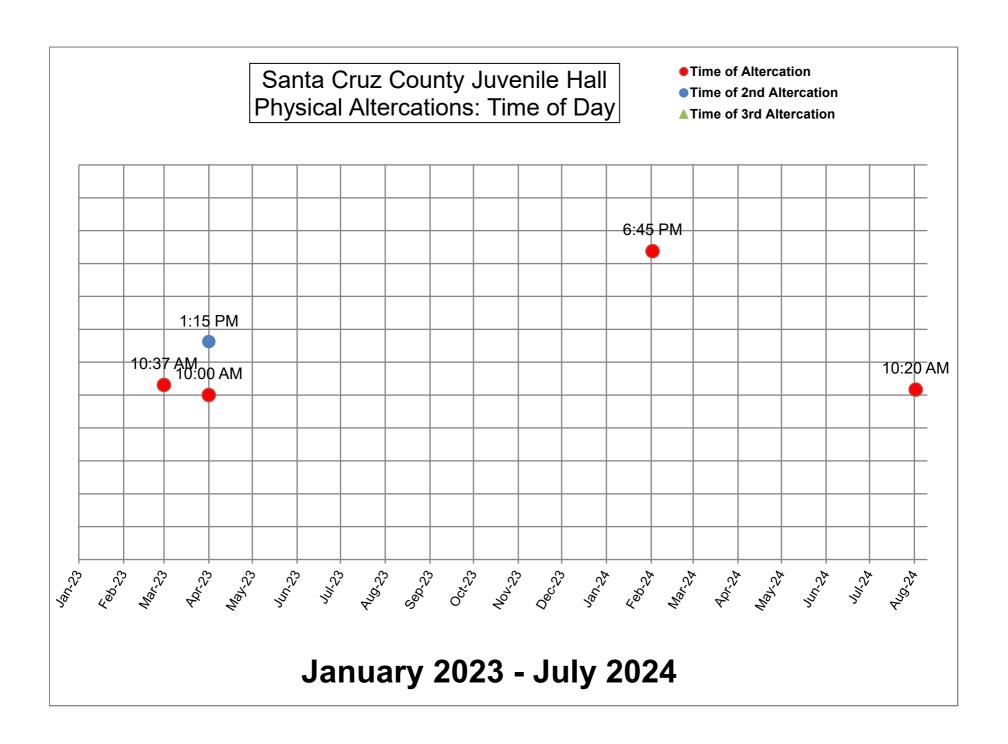
#### **Booking Demographics (area of residence)**

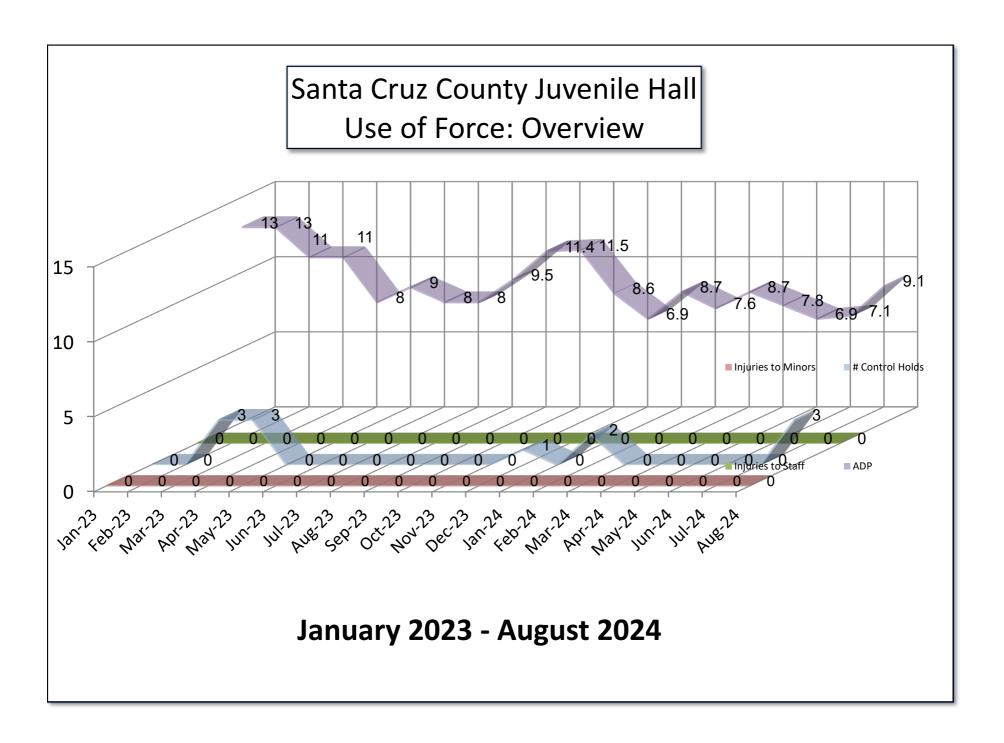
North County: 45% (9)South County: 30% (6)Out of County: 25% (5)

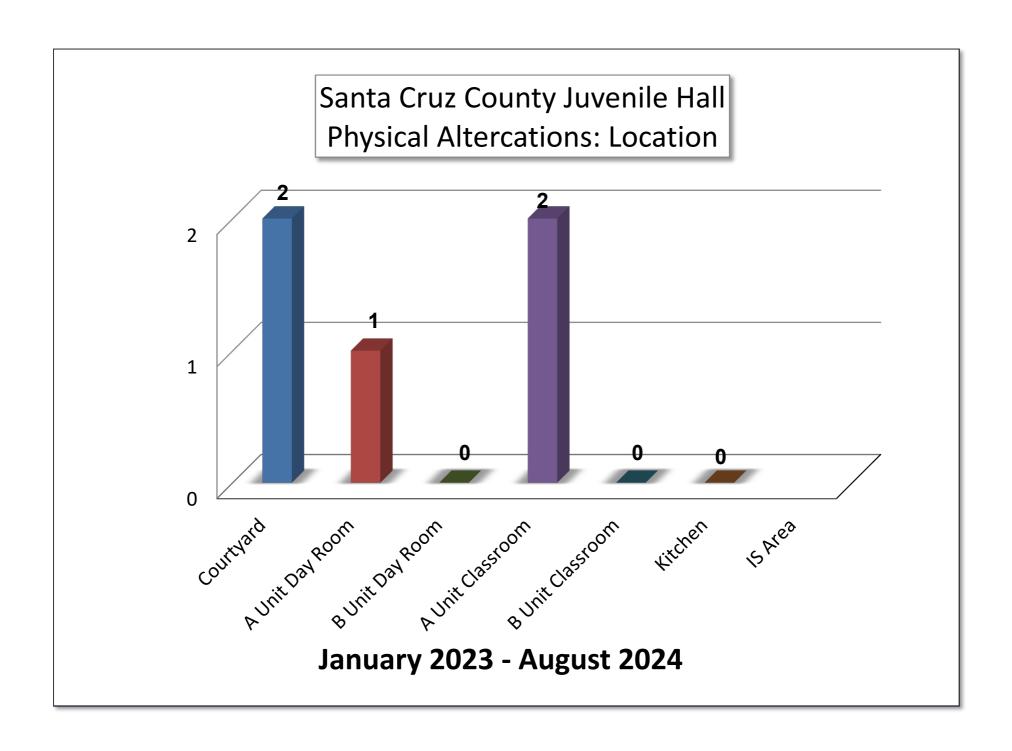
JUVENILE HALL POPULATION INFORMATION	BOYS	GIRLS	TOTAL
6 am count (average) <sup>1</sup>	6.7	0.4	7.1
Population in-custody at start of time period	6	0	6
Admitted during time period	18	2	20
Released during time period	18	2	20
Population in-custody at end of time period <sup>1</sup>	6	0	6
Average daily attendance	6.7	0.3	7.0
Average length of stay	3.5	6.0	3.8
Average length of stay without STYF youth	3.5	6.0	3.8
Length of Stay MODE	1.0	n/a	1.0
Range of stay	1 - 1190	1 - 11	1 - 1190
Range of age	13 - 20	14 - 17	13 - 20
Number of "in-county" residents received	15	0	15
Number of "out-of-county" residents received	3	2	5
Percentage from out-of-county	16.7%	100.0%	25.0%
Total child care days	222	12	234
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): July 2024	86	36	122
Total intake to date (prior year): July 2023	84	19	103

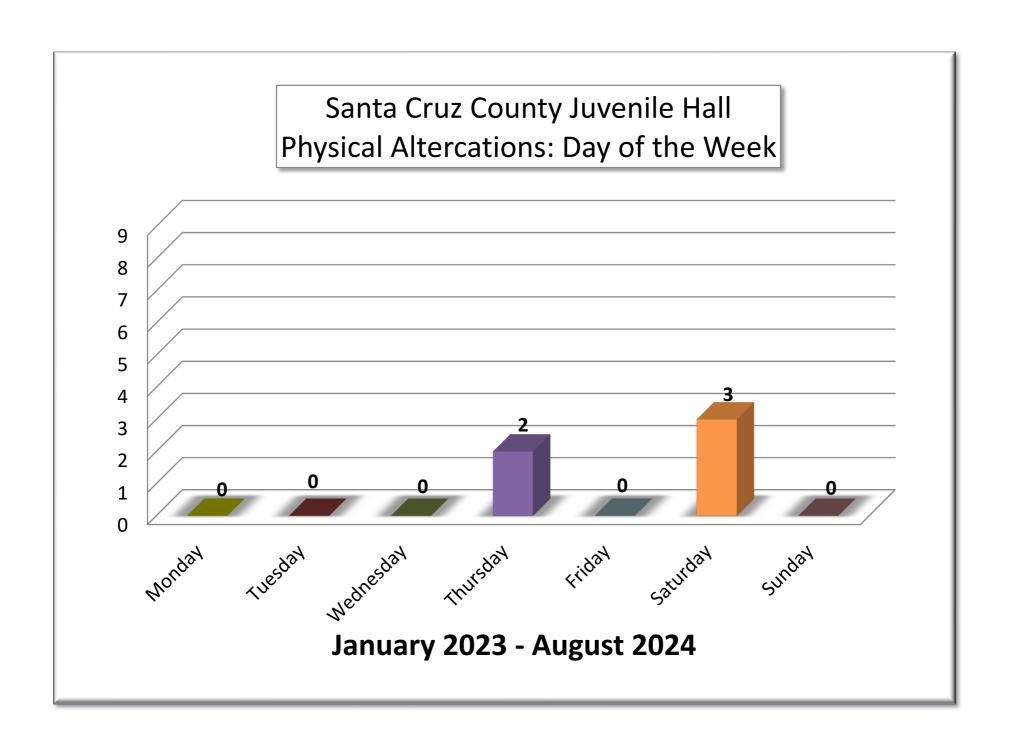
Overall Population Demographics					
<ul><li>African American: 3 (11%)</li><li>Latinx: 15 (58%)</li><li>White: 7 (27%)</li><li>Other: 1 (4%)</li></ul>	<ul><li>Boys: 24 (92%)</li><li>Girls: 2 (8%)</li></ul>	<ul> <li>ALOS</li> <li>African American: 1 day</li> <li>Latinx: 3.8 days</li> <li>White: 4.7 days</li> <li>Other: 1 day</li> </ul>	% Youth on Probation: 23%		

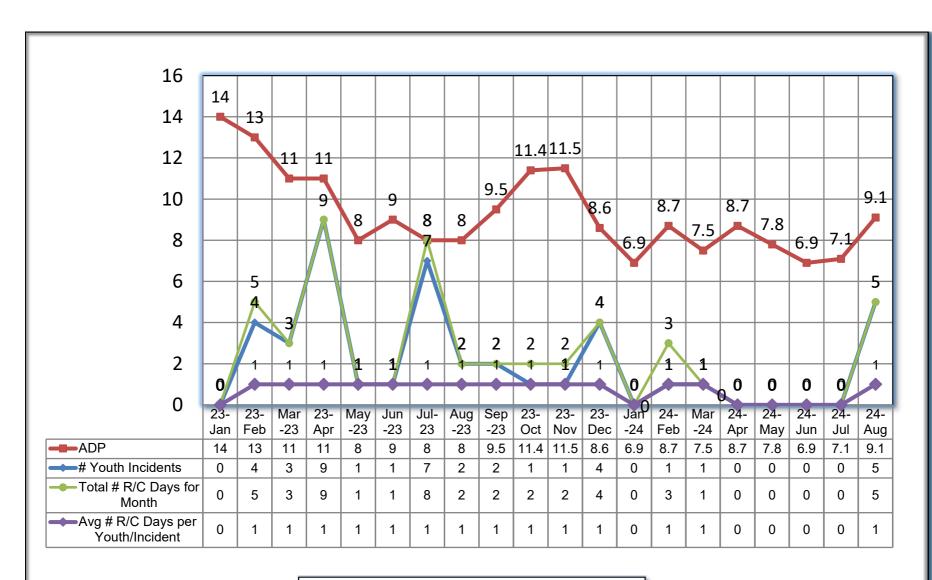




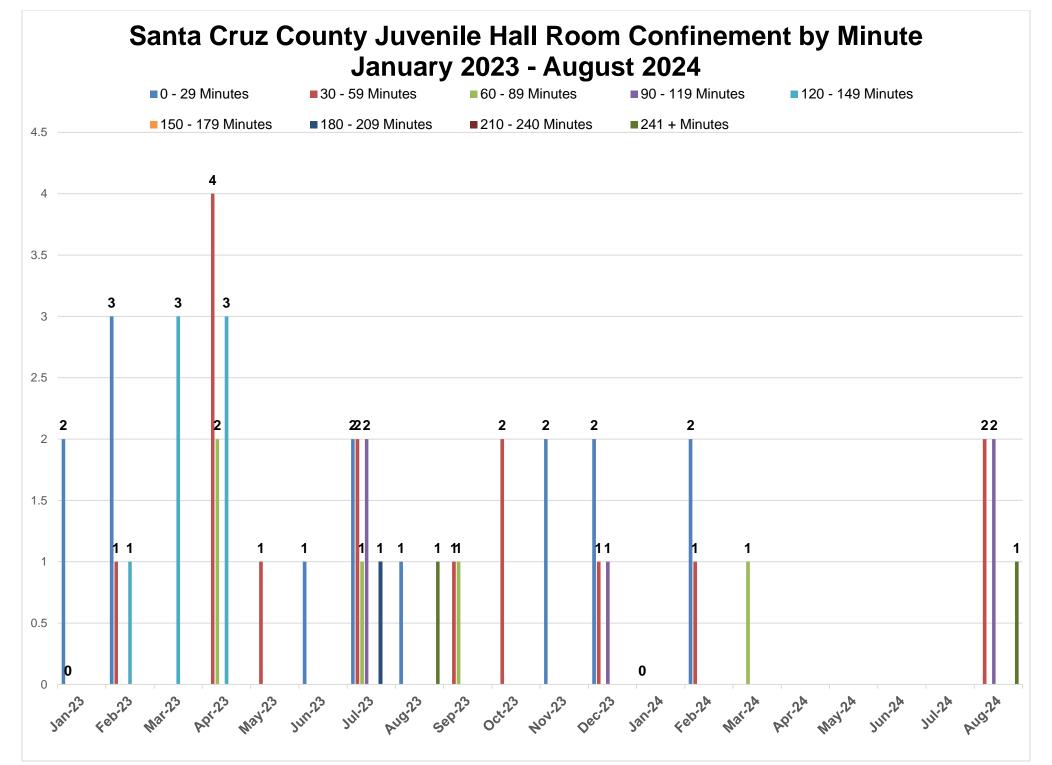








Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall Room Confinement: Overview January 2023 - August 2024



## Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall Room Confinement Over 4 Hours January 2023 - August 2024

