

(2021-2022) Annual Plan

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Part I. Service Needs, Priorities & Strategy (Government Code Section 30061(b)(4)(A))

A. Assessment of Existing Services

Include here an assessment of existing law enforcement, probation, education, mental health, health, social services, drug and alcohol, and youth services resources that specifically target at-risk juveniles, juvenile offenders, and their families.

Due to San Bernardino County's unique geographic size and distance between the County's major cities, San Bernardino's major strength is collaboration. Agencies working within the county direct their services in the goal to better serve the children and youth in our communities. There are numerous resources throughout the county available to at-risk juveniles, juvenile offenders, and their families. Collaborative efforts with other agencies such as the District Attorney, Public Defender, county and city law enforcement agencies, the Court, Department of Behavioral Health, Children and Family Services, County Superintendent of Schools and city school districts, community and faith-based, have been established as a means to identify youth in need and provide services to address those needs. Our partners implement intervention, prevention and rehabilitative strategies through evidence-based practices and promising programs.

Law enforcement collaborative efforts include:

- County Law and Justice Group: Countywide group of Department Heads from the District Attorney, Probation, Sheriff/Coroner/Public Administrator, Trial Courts, Public Defender and County Administrative Office. This group meets monthly and is for the purpose of policy development and strategic planning for issues that relate to and effect the Law and Justice Departments in County Government.
- San Bernardino County Police Chiefs and Sheriffs Association: The Probation Chief is an honorary member of this group. This group meets monthly to discuss strategies and cooperation among participating agencies in ensuring an effective approach to law enforcement in the County of San Bernardino.
- Countywide Gangs and Drug Task Force: Countywide representative groups of government, law enforcement, schools, private organizations and providers, as well as interested community members to address gang and drug concerns throughout San Bernardino County.

Probation collaborative efforts and resources include:

- Case management services – Probation supervision including drug testing as well as triage involving Probation, Public Health, Behavioral Health and Social Services.
- CASE Program (Coalition Against Sexual Exploitation) – Probation Department provides specialized case management services for adolescent youth involved in or at risk of being sexually exploited.

- Community Engagement Service Program – Program coordinates and oversees the completion of court ordered community services hours by youth with various community based organizations and projects.
- Community Service Team – Probation officers assigned regionally to receive all out-of-custody juvenile applications for petitions and based on the offense, decide in filing (mandatory filings) or handling matters informally.
- Day Reporting Centers (Central, West End, High Desert, Joshua Tree and Barstow) – Collaborative effort by the Probation Department, County Schools, Community Based Organizations (CBO's) and volunteers to offer programs and resources to at-risk and justice involved youth and their families.
- Education Absence and Support Intervention (EASI) – Tutoring program offered to youth in need or as an alternative sanction to detention.
- Girls Court, collaboration between Court, Probation Department, District Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office – Provides services to female youth as an intervention program.
- Juvenile Detention and Assessment Center (JDAC) – County operated facility, the most restrictive options available on a county level.
- Parent Project – Parent child-rearing training.
- School Probation Officers – Campus based probation officers assisting in the prevention and reduction of delinquency by providing resources to youth and encouraging school attendance.
- Youth Accountability Boards – Countywide groups of citizen volunteers who handle less serious cases by entering into a voluntary contract with youth and their parents in lieu of formal processing. Juvenile offenders are held accountable for minor law violations through community service, curfew rules, mandatory school attendance, restitution, essays, counseling and/or an individualized need program.

Education collaborative efforts and resources include:

- Healthy Start Programs and Head Start programs – School based services to children in pre- and early school years.
- LET (Let's End Truancy) – Collaborative multi-agency program with the District Attorney's office, Public Defender's office and schools designed to combat the rate of truancy by working with local SARB's (School Attendance Review Boards) in targeting truancy with minors and their parents. Public Defender's office also offers a Parent Engagement program focusing on preventive approaches as well as provide community resources and support.
- Regional Opportunity Program (ROP) provide hands-on skills leveling while earning school credits.
- Peer Leaders – County School program that provides peer mentorship to youth.
- School Attendance Review Boards – A collaboration between Schools, Probation Department and Children and Family Services for review and decision regarding truant and expelled students and their families.

- School Resource Officers – Provide law enforcement support to school while also providing referrals for youth and families.

Mental Health collaborative efforts and resources include:

- Court for the Individualized Treatment of Adolescents (CITA), a collaboration between the County of San Bernardino Juvenile Court, Department of Behavioral Health, District Attorney's Office, Probation Department and Public Defender's Office that identify youth who are on probation and have a significant mental condition linking them with appropriate mental health treatment in the community. This program is available in the West End and Central region and involves regular court appearances as well as group, individual and family counseling.
- Forensic Adolescent Services Team (FAST), Department of Behavioral Health – Provides mental health services to minors who are detained in a County of San Bernardino JDAC.
- Integrated New Family Opportunities (INFO) – Collaboration between Department of Behavioral Health and Probation to serve youth using evidence-based models for reducing the involvement of youth diagnosed with a mental health condition in the juvenile justice system. Community based services include Functional Family Therapy, Intensive Probation Supervision, 24/7 case management, support and peer counselling.
- Juvenile Justice Reintegration Program (JJCR) – Department of Behavioral Health provides reintegration and case management services to youth who have been identified with behavioral health issues who are detained in a County of San Bernardino JDAC returning to the community.
- One Step Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Center, Department of Behavioral Health and Probation Department – One Stop TAY Centers provide San Bernardino County residents ages 16 to 26th birthday (youth) with outpatient mental health (Full Service Partnership), case-management and placement services. TAY Centers coordinate the transition of youth from child to adult services and assist youth in adjusting to the new, adult environment. TAY Centers receive referrals from crisis residential facilities, hospitals and self-referrals from youth.
- Student Assistance Program (SAP) – a school-based approach providing focused services to diverse students and their families who are in need of prevention education and early interventions for substance abuse, mental health, academic, emotional and social issues. The SAP program aims to minimize barriers to learning, support students in developing academic and personal successes, reduce suicide rates, reduce incidences of mental illnesses and shorten the duration of untreated illnesses.
- School Aged Treatment Services (SATS) – serves Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are school aged, which may include high school youth over the age of 18, but not over the age of 21. All children and youth served must meet the Medical Necessity Criteria for Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment (EPSDT) Specialty Mental Health Services.
- Wraparound Collaborative effort with Children and Family Services, The Department of Behavioral Health, private providers, and the Probation Department – Provides services for youth and their families in San Bernardino County. This Five Phase strength based, family

engagement program promotes positive behavior and helps reduce recidivism.

Social Services collaborative efforts and resources include:

- 241 Committee – In accordance with the mandates of section 241.1 of the Welfare and Institution code, the San Bernardino County Departments of Probation and Children and Family Services (CFS) in collaboration with the Department of Behavioral Health, Public Defender/Private Counsel, District Attorney and County Counsel, have a joint committee and protocol, to determine whether Dependency or Delinquency court status would serve the best interests of the youth and the protection of the community.
- Educational Liaisons Program – CFS educational assistance for foster youth.
- Health Homes – CFS and Behavioral Health provides mental health assessments of dependent children and referral to treatment.
- Family to Family – CFS practices based on a family centered approach, which is responsive to the needs of children and their families, less reliant on Short- Term Residential Therapeutic Programs (STRTP's).
- Independent Living Skills Program, Children and Family Services and Probation Department – provide job training skills/job placement services and community survival skills to youth who have been in an out-of-home placement.

Drug and Alcohol collaborative efforts and resources include:

- Drug Court (Rancho Cucamonga, San Bernardino, and Victorville) – monitors treatment and provides support for youth struggling with addiction through a collaborative team approach that includes the Court, District Attorney's Office, Probation, Public Defender's Office, and treatment provider.
- Substance Abuse Services, Office of Alcohol and Drug Programs – Contracts with Community Based Organizations.

Other Youth and family services and resources include:

- 211 – Residents can call this number to access non-profit and governmental agencies.
- California Conservation Corps – Residential outdoor program for youth and youthful offenders over the age of 18.
- CASA Program (Court Appointed Special Advocate), Court and Volunteers – provides services to dependents and wards of the Court.
- Children's Fund – Non-profit corporation developing public-private partnerships to acquire goods and services for children and youth at risk who cannot obtain them through existing public or private programs.
- Faith Communities and Community Based Organizations (CBO's) – Multitude of services and after school program offered in an effort to provide intervention response.
- Job Corps – Educational and vocational training as a resident or non-resident. Facility is

located in San Bernardino.

- Teen Help Line – Assistance for youth.
- Operation New Home – CBO Prison to employment program that offers employment readiness training, housing, education and other resources to justice involved youth and youthful offenders up to the age of 23.
- Young Visionaries – Provides instruction in the areas of education, employment, health, mentoring, and community service for at-risk and/or justice involved youth.
- Youth Action Project – Provides youth and young adults with transformative experiences coupled with professional development training, career coaching, and paid work experience that enables them to find their passion and develop marketable skills.

Describe what approach will be used to facilitate collaboration among the organizations listed above and support the integration of services.

Many programs and services in existence are due to a collaborative approach by different agencies to offer solutions where service gaps were identified. Collaboration will continue through an open communication approach amongst agencies, handled with regular in-person, (virtual due to Covid-19) meetings, oral and written communication. A collaborative approach is also facilitated and structured through Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs), protocols, coordinated workgroups to vet proposed services, planning and implementation teams, and coordinating oversight of programs through scheduled meetings, data collection, and outcome reporting.

B. Identifying and Prioritizing Focus Areas

Identify and prioritize the neighborhoods, schools, and other areas of the county that face the most significant public safety risk from juvenile crime.

San Bernardino County geographical area covers 21,000 square miles and encompasses mountains, vast deserts and urban areas. Based on statistical data obtained of juvenile arrests for the year 2020, San Bernardino, West End and Victorville areas have the most significant public safety risk for juvenile crimes. The Probation Department's Day Reporting Centers were strategically placed in these regions as they represent the most populated regions in the county. However, Probation works with collaborative partners to provide services countywide. Services are not limited to specific neighborhoods, schools or areas of the county. This collaboration with partner agencies and other community based organizations ensures providing same or similar services to youth and their families without concern relative to geographic location. Given the vastness of this region, the County JJCC strives to ensure allocations of necessary resources are available to meet the demands of both urban communities as well as remote desert locations.

C. Juvenile Justice Action Strategy

Describe your county's juvenile justice action strategy. Include an explanation of your county's continuum of responses to juvenile crime and delinquency as well as a description of the approach used to ensure a collaborative and integrated approach for implementing a system of swift, certain, and graduated responses for at-risk youth and juvenile offenders.

San Bernardino County has responded to the juvenile justice issues by developing interagency collaboration in establishing a comprehensive multi-agency continuum of care, providing a foundation to address the needs of at-risk and juvenile offenders.

JJCPA funding has continued to allow for a partnership between Probation with the County Superintendent of Schools and city unified school districts. Probation Officers are assigned to various school campuses throughout different regions of the County. The immediate presence of officers at each location allows for school staff, law enforcement agencies and probation to work together in a cohesive manner to identify needs of youth and their families who may be in the early, middle or advanced stages of need. It further allows probation officers and staff to engage with the youth in a capacity that is not strictly law enforcement oriented.

Services at school sites have been augmented through the Let's End Truancy (LET) program. The District Attorney's and Public Defender's Office collaborate in the efforts to intervene and work with youth and their families to bring awareness and the impact of truancy in the overall youth's success.

Initially, Probation Department Day Reporting Centers were strategically placed in three major urban areas in an effort to provide services to youth; Central, High Desert and West End. Day Reporting Centers and its services have been extended to the remote areas in Barstow and Joshua Tree where resources and services are scarce. By increasing services in those remote areas, there is a focus on providing access to services that were otherwise not available to deter youth from engaging in criminal activity.

The services already provided by the Day Reporting Centers are continuously being assessed as it pertains to the need for additional services and programs to address service gaps and to provide additional resources to probation officers as case management tools that are alternative to detention. JJCPA funding also allows collaboration with county, community, faith-based, and behavioral health partners, to ensure services provided are for the benefit of youth and the community as a whole.

At each school site and Probation DRC, youth can access an array of resources and attend evidence based and best practice programing that promote cultural competency, that are

community/culturally oriented, and those responsive to gender specific issues. Youth also have access to individual, family and group counseling treatment options.

In addition, Probation Officers provide community supervision services and effectively utilize the available resources through effective case management. Officers collaborate with multiple agencies as necessary to ensure best practice in an effort to deter detention by utilizing graduated sanctions and facilitate pro-social behavior, which promote positive outcomes.

D.Comprehensive Plan RevisionsDescribe how your Plan has been updated for this year.

The Probation Department intends to continue to implement the goals submitted in the previous annual plan while also promoting new programs targeting various identified needs of the youth population.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, most of the plan was implemented with the exception of the Intervention Supervision Plan (ISP). A Request for Proposal (RFP) for enrichment services to expand evidence-based and best practices was issued. The RFP specifically promoted programs that were culturally competent, community oriented and responsive to gender specific and LGBTQI (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning and Intersex) populations through community, education, faith-based, behavioral health, and other partners and collaborations.

The eligible age range for services provided to youthful offenders increased to include those up to the age of 23 ensuring further access to resources.

A variety of prosocial community engagement programs were coordinated along with the implementation of the Educational Absence & Support Intervention (EASI). Employment Readiness Training was provided to youth and the Regional Occupational Program (ROP) was transitioned to a community based program. Finally, the Family Support and Engagement (FSE) component was offered to support and engage parents, guardians or caregivers in the youth's plan, strengthen family and parental controls, and encourage the development of a partner relationship with the Probation Officer.

In an effort to complete all the goals of last year's annual plan, the Intervention Supervision Plan (ISP) will be implemented focusing on youth under the supervision of probation by providing enhanced case management utilizing a Child and Family Team approach in developing the rehabilitative plan of action.

Due to the impact of Covid-19, this year's plan will include a focus on ensuring the availability of appropriate resources on a virtual platform. In an effort to continue providing services, a limited amount of enrichment classes were offered through virtual learning in the previous year. Our goal for next year's Annual plan is to expand and ensure most if not all appropriate classes are available virtually in an effort to ensure continuum of services when facing emergency events such as the recent pandemic.

Additional partnerships will be sought to increase job readiness and employment services to youthful offenders by augmenting their funding and what they currently offer through leveraging additional resources. Probation will assist programs by providing necessary items such as equipment, tools, gear, and uniform/clothing to youth in an effort to incentivize and/or assist in

completing the programs.

In an effort to comply with Welfare and Institution Code 706.6(b)(2) and the San Bernardino County State Improvement Plan, Probation is seeking to collaborate with community based organizations for Child and Family Team facilitator services. In developing a case plan for the youth, the Probation Department must consider any recommendations of the child and family team and must document the reasons for any inconsistencies between the case plan and the team recommendations. The facilitator would assist in bringing the team together to engage with the youth and family in assessing, planning, and delivering services. Although this process is not required in all case management sections, this service can be added as another layer to the Intervention Supervision Plan program.

Finally, additional resources through JJCPA funding will be available to transient, homeless, justice involved or at-risk youth with the availability of Juvenile Clothing Closets, located at the Day Reporting Centers by providing items such as clothing and hygiene kits to youth as needed.

If your Plan has not been updated this year, explain why no changes to your plan are necessary.

N/A

**Part II. Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA)
(Government Code Section 30061(b)(4))**

A. Information Sharing and Data Describe your information systems and their ability to facilitate the sharing of data across agencies within your county. Describe the data obtained through these systems and how those data are used to measure the success of juvenile justice programs and strategies.

The San Bernardino County Probation Department utilizes Caseload Explorer (CE) to document and track the activities of juvenile offenders while adhering to jurisdictional security and judicial requirements. CE is a system used to store the juvenile's demographic and personal information such as; gender, race, date of birth, address, telephone number, co-defendant(s), victim(s), parent/guardian and sibling information. Information related to past and current offenses such as charge types, court dates(s), restrictions, security concerns and terms and conditions of probation can also be located in CE.

CE tracks active referrals for case files, past and current caseworkers and statistical data which includes but is not limited to services offered and rendered by the Probation Department. A juvenile's behavior, disciplinary actions imposed, progress and lack thereof can also be captured in CE. When a youth is placed in one of the JDACs, the case manager continues to monitor the progress of the youth within this system.

The San Bernardino County Probation Department has a dedicated Research Unit which is responsible for querying statistical data gathered from CE. The Research Unit generates custom designed queries providing precise data information displayed in a manner easily interpreted by all staff. Some reports are used by Supervision and Management to inform and to steer Department strategies. The data provided also measures performance outcomes.

CE is able to interface with other agencies with a primary connection to JNET, the Court's information database system. All information contained in CE is personal and confidential. The data accessed by authorized users is shared only with those who have been identified as a person with a need and right to know and complying with state and local regulations regarding the use of the California Law Enforcement Tracking System information. The authorized dissemination of information amongst agencies facilitates collaboration and best practice case management.

The Research Unit is also compiling data through Microsoft Access database on youth referred and receiving services through the Day Reporting Center that are not justice system involved.

B. Juvenile Justice Coordinating Councils

Does your county have a fully constituted Juvenile Justice Council (JJCC) as prescribed by Welfare & institutions Code 749.22?

yes

If no, please list the current vacancies that exist on your JJCC, when those vacancies occurred, and your plan for filling them.

N/A

C. Funded Programs, Strategies and/or System Enhancements

JJCPA Funded Program(s), Strategy and/or System Enhancement

Below are JJCPA funded programs reported by the county.

Program Name:

Let's End Truancy (L.E.T)

Evidence Upon Which It is Based:

School attendance is a key factor in keeping youth out of the juvenile justice system. Prevention and Intervention programs lead the way at identifying and serving school age youth in efforts to keep them off the delinquency path. San Bernardino County has committed numerous resources in this endeavor.

Description:

Let's End Truancy (L.E.T.) is a collaborative multi-agency program, led by the District Attorney's Office, designed to combat the rate of truancy within the San Bernardino County and City School Districts. The overall goal of the program is to increase the Average Daily Attendance (ADA) of students while reducing the negative impacts caused by truancy, including juvenile delinquency. This program targets youths in grades K-12 who are struggling with their school attendance as it is defined by the California Department of Education Code, EC 48260(a).

The District Attorney, Public Defender, Probation Officers and school personnel collaborate in efforts to intervene and work with not only the youth, but their families as well, to bring awareness to the youth's truancy and the impact (truancy) has on the youth's overall chances for success.

The intervention process may include the following: mediation, home visits to provide resources, school visits and mentoring. When deemed necessary, a letter may be sent to the youth's parent/guardian which can escalate to the parent receiving a citation and mandatory appearance at a School Attendance Review Board (S.A.R.B.) meeting. Some youth and their parent/guardian may also be required to participate in individual and family services.

The Public Defender's Office is currently partnering with Colton Unified School District and Fontana Unified School District to incorporate the Parent Engagement Program. This program incorporates a curriculum that addresses many vital life stages experienced by youth. These stages focus on preventative approaches that educate parents on the cycle of truancy, addressing many issues that may arise, as well as provide community resources and support.

Program Name:

School Probation Officers

Evidence Upon Which It is Based:

School Probation Officers on campus have the advantage of identifying and intervening in the early stages of a youth's delinquent behavior. In addition, addressing chronic absenteeism creates a significant impact on the youth's potential for success and avoiding encounters with the juvenile delinquency system. Another benefit is an increase in the Average Daily Attendance (ADA). School Probation Officers activities benefit stabilized classrooms and help keep students invested in their educational success.

Description:

This program is designed to reduce delinquent behavior on school campuses while simultaneously providing prevention, intervention and rehabilitative services to those students who not only exhibit behaviors or who have been identified as needing services, but those who self-report. This includes youths with behavioral, mental health, supervision/ expulsion, attendance and educational comprehension/performance issues. School Support staff, including teachers, Probation Officers and counselors, are provided with training and skills to identify, assess and work with those youth through a collaborative approach.

School personnel work closely with Probation Officers assigned at their school site. Communication underlies the efforts to identify youth in need of or who can benefit from services. The School Probation Officer contacts the youth and makes the necessary referrals for the appropriate services. An early intervention utilized to reduce truancy is working with school officials, students and their guardians by attending Student Attendance Review Board (SARB) meetings. These services include, but are not limited to, tutoring, individual and/or family counseling, component classes, attendance support (LET/SARB) and intervention services/programming. Truant behavior predicts poor achievement, school drop-out, delinquency, and ultimately adult criminality. The goal is to prevent poor outcomes.

School Probation Officers will support the programs of the revised Comprehensive Plan by providing enhanced services to students with serious attendance problems and family supports to that parents stay involved.

As part of the JJCPA plan, there was an increase in services directed at social/emotional needs. This became an essential part of the School Probation Officers' role during the Covid 19

pandemic when youth were attending virtual school programming. School Probation Officers made contact in the home with a team of school staff and administrators ensuring connectivity to educational resources. In their regular home contacts, they identified an increase in mental health conditions such as depression and anxiety in youth as a result to impacts from Covid 19. Youth were provided with tips and tools, identified resources, and referrals to appropriate services.

School Probation Officers will continue to refer to services that provide support and regular parent engagement activities to those disaffected by the school system in an effort to re-engage them in the schooling of their child. Virtual parent workshops were offered through the Day Reporting Centers.

The primary responsibility for these officers is Prevention and Intervention. However, officers assigned to the program also participate in general probation activities to increase community awareness, maintain continuity of service, make appropriate referrals, provide case management, facilitate component classes and maintain proficiency. School Probation Officers do not issue citations to students or parents.

Program Name:

Day Reporting Centers

Evidence Upon Which It is Based:

With five locations positioned geographically throughout San Bernardino County to meet the needs of at-risk youth, system involved youth and families, the Day Reporting Centers (DRCs) will continue existing services while enhancing new programs as we continue to revise the annual Comprehensive Plan. The enhanced services will continue to promote cultural competency, community oriented programs, gender responsive and LGBTQI (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning and Intersex) services. These services are provided through community, education, faith-based, behavioral health, and other partners and collaborations. These programs improve the likelihood of success for the clients thereby decreasing potential recidivism or prolonged system involvement. Overall Day Reporting Centers provide productive activities, social programming, and educational activities that help clients stay engaged and eliminate distractions.

Description:

San Bernardino County Probation Department has five Juvenile Day Reporting Centers (DRCs). These DRC's are strategically placed in highly populated and rural areas to ensure the community's access to services. Each one provides specialized services, programming, and activities for youth up to the age of 23 years. The DRCs serve non probation youth and Probation involved youth. Classes offered at the DRC include Anger Management (levels 1&2), Drug and Alcohol (levels 1&2), Truancy, Gang Involvement (levels 1 & 2), Cognitive Life Skills, Graffiti, Shoplifting, Traffic Safety, JOBTEC (Job Skills), Victim Awareness, Weapons Diversion, Petty Theft, Deceptions (human trafficking awareness), Healthy Relationships, Work Readiness, Food Handler's Cards classes, Boy's Council, and Girl's Circle. A majority of these classes use material from the National Curriculum and Training Institute (NCTI), which is cognitively designed, evidence based, and research proven. It has also been demonstrated to be effective in changing behavior and reducing recidivism rates.

Parenting Workshops and Parent Project classes are also offered for the parents of non-system and system involved youth. Parent Project addresses problems adolescents face and some of the goals are to strengthen the family unit by getting the parents involved in providing accountability for the youth. The goal is to empower the parents by working in partnership to improve school attendance and grades, reduce school, community and family violence, decrease youth gang involvement and reduce teen alcohol and drug use. The classes also serve

in providing a supportive network for parents and guardians as they address similar issues. Due to Covid-19, virtual parent workshops are hosted to assist parents dealing with issues including mental health issues, behavior, and exposure to human trafficking amongst other topics.

Regional Occupational Program (ROP) in partnership with the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools and Probation work collaboratively to provide youth horticulture and building skills training. This program offers youth the opportunity to develop vocational skills and become knowledgeable in occupational areas and possess a specialized skill set for future employment. This program is referral and volunteered based.

The DRC's offer a variety of prosocial activities for youth in the community that promote service to others. DRCs implemented the Community Engagement Service Program. This program offers prosocial community engagement activities and services for youth by providing them opportunities to assist others and/or improve communities. In doing so, youth can develop a sense of social responsibility. Coordinated and collaborative events include making soldier care packages, homeless, making and distributing baskets and backpack, "survival kits", and planning clothing and food drives.

The Youth Council is made up of youth who utilize services offered at the Day Reporting Centers. The primary objective for the Youth Council is to empower youth to provide feedback, guidance and recommendations on the services, classes and resources offered at the DRC's. Based upon the recommendations provided by the Youth Council, DRC staff have the opportunity to implement, modify or add new programming. The Youth Council meets quarterly.

Although not implemented in 2020 due to the Pandemic, DRC's organize and host summer day camps for youth in their region as a pro-social alternative to negative activities plaguing youth during the summer including involvement with drugs, alcohol, gangs and criminal activity. The main goal is to serve as an intervention for youth by exposing them to positive, engaging, and learning opportunities. Summer Camp offers youth a variety of fun and educational experiences that promote healthy lifestyle choices, healthy relationships and increase decision making skills while engaging in recreational activities and becoming involved in the community. Summer camp serves as a summer refuge for youth consisting of planned daily educational and age appropriate activities that provide youth positive learning opportunities. This type of youth engagement will be extended to include after school and out of school (winter and spring break) programming.

Individual and/or family counseling are also offered to youth on a referral basis. Youth are afforded tutoring or other specific programming as appropriate and determined by the DRC staff to include cultural competency, community oriented, gender specific and LGBTQI programs.

Educational Absence and Support Interventions (EASI) provides youth tutoring services by working with them to improve their academic requirements and ensure they will meet their educational goals while attempting to reduce absenteeism.

Transitional Assistance Programs are available for youth returning to their communities from Probation Detention and Assessment Centers, STRTP's or the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ).

Services and reentry resources are available on a referral basis to outside providers such as Operation New Hope, through the DRCs for the youthful offender population (ages 18-23 years).

Program Name:

House Arrest Program

Evidence Upon Which It is Based:

This program serves as a resource system to effectively manage the population at the Juvenile Detention and Assessment Centers (JDAC's). The program provides the Probation Officer and the Courts the ability to release youth from custody while undergoing Court proceedings. Following Probation screening or Court order, youth are provided an opportunity to remain in the community under the terms of the House Arrest Program. Appropriate participation in the program can have a positive effect on the Court proceedings and outcome.

Description:

Probation Staff assigned to the House Arrest Program (H.A.P.) help reduce the population in the Juvenile Detention and Assessment Centers by providing monitoring, which can include electronic monitoring, and limited supervision services for youth who are awaiting disposition of their court proceedings. Probation officers work with parents of justice involved youth to supervise, monitor, and encourage youth to comply with the house arrest rules. Supervision includes the documentation of behaviors, including compliance or the lack thereof. It may also include the youth's involvement in community-based programs designed to identify areas of concern and assist in the youth's rehabilitation. Many of the youth and their families are referred to the Day Reporting Centers for services.

H.A.P utilizes risk specific guidelines to determine a youth's eligibility and participation in the program. In some cases, the youths and/or the families' unwillingness to adhere to the specific rules of the program prove to be a barrier and can preclude continuation of services. In such instances, the youth are returned to Court for a detention hearing.

The primary responsibility of H.A.P probation officers is to provide supervision to house arrest youth and ensure compliance prior to the Court hearing. However, officers assigned to the program also participate in general probation activities to increase community awareness, maintain continuity of service, provide case management and maintain proficiency.

**Part III. Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG)
(Welfare & Institutions Code Section 1961(a))**

A. Strategy for Non-707(b) Offenders

Describe your county's overall strategy for dealing with non-707(b) youthful offenders who are not eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Justice. Explain how this Plan relates to or supports that strategy.

San Bernardino County's strategy for dealing with non-707(b) offenders is to provide services and resources to youth in the community as a prevention approach. However, once a youth has become justice involved, the approach is to utilize the least restrictive option available.

Programs and units are designed to focus on prevention, intervention, community safety, supervision and rehabilitation.

Community Service Team (CST)

The Community Service Team was established to divert youthful offenders from the Juvenile Justice system through preventative services. The Community Service Team Unit handles matters informally concerning youth who have not been adjudicated by the Juvenile Delinquency Court. The authority is derived from Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code 654 and includes a six month informal agreement with the youth and parents. The CST Officer monitors the youth's performance and adherence to the stipulations set forth in the six month agreement, which may include education components, community services hours, apology letters, counseling, or other measures deemed appropriate. Cases handled in this manner are low level offenses.

Matters not handled through an informal agreement, pursuant to W&I 654, can be submitted to the District Attorney for filing consideration. The Court retains jurisdiction and has the option to place the youth on an Informal Agreement as delineated in W&I 654.2 for a six month period. Officers assigned to monitor these cases ensure the youth complies with terms and conditions as established by the Court. If youth are successful on either W&I 654 or W&I 654.2 agreements, their cases are sealed. Typical CST cases include: fighting, public intoxication and driving without a license.

Youth Accountability Boards (YAB's)

The San Bernardino County Probation Department's first Youth Accountability Board was established in the city of Hesperia in January 1991. As of May 2020, there are YABs in Chino, Chino Hills, Highland, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga, Redlands, Rialto, and Victorville.

The Youth Accountability Board is a collaborative program between the Probation Department and community partners working together with families to divert first time low-risk juvenile

offenders from further interaction with the criminal justice system. Cases are referred by Probation Officers throughout San Bernardino County. The YAB panel members meet with youth and their families to discuss the offense. The goal is to hold youth accountable for their actions and prevent further involvement in delinquent behavior. Cases referred to Youth Accountability Boards are low level offenses. Youth are assigned to complete community service hours, educational programs, essays, or other rehabilitative activities within a four to six month period.

Once successfully completed, the matter is returned to the Probation Officer and the case is closed and the youth's record is sealed. If the youth is unsuccessful, there is an opportunity to petition the Court for judicial review in consideration of sealing his/her record. Typical YAB referrals include: petty theft, trespassing and vandalism.

If a youth has been declared a ward by the Court, supervision strategies are determined based on the needs identified. Youth subject to a grant of Court ordered probation have the opportunity to be monitored in the community in lieu of detention under terms and conditions ordered by the Court. In general, supervision consists of home compliance checks, monitoring of school attendance, regular meetings with the youth, case management services, programming as well as prevention and intervention services. The use of Global Positioning System (GPS) has been implemented to be utilized as a graduated sanction as an alternative to detention in an effort to redirect youth compliance while on supervision.

San Bernardino County Probation utilizes the Juvenile Assessment and Intervention System (JAIS), to measure the risks, needs and strengths of juvenile offenders. Evidence based, this gender responsive tool also determines the most appropriate supervision level for the juvenile offender while simultaneously assisting staff with identifying treatment and reentry programs which best address the offender's needs. The JAIS assessment is mandatory as an initial risk assessment for any juvenile when a dispositional report, juris disposition or dispositional memo has been ordered by the court.

If a youth is granted probation, the assigned probation officer is responsible for completing a full assessment within forty-five (45) days of case assignment. A reassessment is completed every six (6) months from the date of the initial assessment which coincides with case plan reviews.

Case/Needs specific strategies include:

San Bernardino County Coalition Against Sexual Exploitation (C.A.S.E):

The Coalition Against Sexual Exploitation state plan was updated in 2019/20 Fiscal Year and will be implemented during the 2020/21 Fiscal year. Efforts will continue to include partnerships with the San Bernardino County Probation Department, District Attorney, Public Defender, Public

Health, Sheriff's Department, Children and Family Services, Behavioral Health, County Schools, Children's Network and the Juvenile Courts. All participating agencies have collaborated to address and combat the rise in sexual exploitation of juveniles. The collaboration aims to:

- Empower victims to leave their exploiter and utilize opportunities to regain control of their life and future.
- Ensure victims' physical and psychological safety.
- Ensure victims' access to resources and services, including: medical care, mental health care, substance abuse treatment, educational opportunities, job skills training, mentors/advocates and more.
- Address the larger social issues impacting at-risk youths and educate the community regarding CSEC and Human Trafficking.

The C.A.S.E Probation Officer maintains a caseload of youth with a history of sexual exploitation. In addition, the C.A.S.E. officer is actively involved in community outreach events in an effort to promote awareness to Human Trafficking. Such events include Children's Network Conference, Victim's Night out organized by the DA's office, C.A.S.E Walk, and the Human Trafficking Symposium.

Drug Court and CITA (Court for the Individualized Treatment of Adolescents) Court: Specialty Courts focusing on alcohol, drug and mental health concerns. A team approach with collaborative interaction between allied agencies such as the Court, Probation, DA, PD, DBH, CFS and contracted treatment providers. The goal is to reduce incarceration, decrease recidivism, advocate for treatment services and enhance community protection while eliminating future criminal behavior while improving the quality of life for youth living with drug/alcohol addiction and/or mental health issues.

Sex /Domestic and Family Violence Offender

A caseload that consists of youth on various levels of probation supervision for a sexually related offense, family and/or partner violence. Youth are closely monitored by an officer who ensures compliance with their terms and conditions of probation as well as the successful completion of a treatment program.

Girls Court

Provides services to female youth who are considered vulnerable to sexual exploitation or experiencing an increase in at risk behaviors. The goal of the program is to build self-esteem and empower female youth. A variety of presentations, interpersonal discussions, and workshops are provided to aid in the rehabilitation, confidence building, and health conscious choices.

Gender Specific - G.R.A.C.E.

GRACE (Gender Responsive Adolescent Caseload Enrichment): Focuses specifically on youthful female offenders to address the detailed trauma and coping mechanisms that present themselves with young girls.

Wraparound

The Wraparound Program focuses on strengthening the family as a whole so the at-risk youth can remain in the home. This is a team approach with a Probation Officer, therapist, Parent Partner, DBH, CFS, school officials and community members identified by the family and team as a strengthening force. The team meets with the youth and family regularly and helps by coordinating services, working through new coping skills and supporting the family and the youth in dealing with entrenched emotional, behavioral and mental health issues.

Placement/Short Term Residential Treatment Programs (STRTP)

When pre-placement preventative services have been exhausted, youth are screened for suitability and eligibility into Placement/STRTP's. This is a temporary residential treatment program in the least restrictive setting, closer to home. The focus is to ensure youth receive appropriate rehabilitative services to address individual needs and that the placement/STRTP is providing adequate care and housing to facilitate the youth's return to the home.

Placement/STRTP Probation Officers' role shift from supervision to care. Upon completion of the treatment program, youth receive continuum of care to ensure successful reintegration to the community through an aftercare program.

B. Regional Agreements

Describe any regional agreements or arrangements to be supported with YOBG funds.

None

YOBG Funded Program(s), Placement, Service, Strategy and/or System Enhancement

Below are YOBG funded programs reported by the county.

Program Name:

Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) - Field Services

Evidence Upon Which It is Based:

The Probation Department Field Services Supervision is the foundation of Court ordered community supervision. Youth granted probation have the opportunity to be monitored in the community in lieu of detention under terms and conditions ordered by the court. Supervision consists of home compliance checks, monitoring of school attendance and offering prevention, intervention and rehabilitative services for youth and their families. Probation has long established collaborations with JJCPA partners that have developed various programs to provide specialized and alternative methods of supervision.

Description:

Probation field supervision units are tasked with the oversight of youthful offenders within the community. Probation Officers consider information such as JAIS/CAIS Risk Assessment, offender criminal history and family dynamics, to develop a plan of rehabilitation for the youth on their caseload to properly address the youth's needs while providing community safety and supervision. The level of supervision is based on the JAIS/CAIS risk assessments. High risk offenders are deemed to be the most serious and sophisticated of offenders and present a higher risk to re-offend. These youth have more intense supervision requirements. Medium risk offenders are usually identified as needing significant treatment intervention based on their criminogenic needs. These offenders' needs are targeted by utilizing Motivational Interviewing techniques, incentives and a system of graduated sanctions. These offenders' rehabilitation plans allows the officer to assist with the youth's behavior modification. Low Risk Offenders are deemed to be the least likely to re-offend. However, accountability for the behaviors displayed which resulted in their interaction with the juvenile courts, must also be addressed. These offenders primarily receive rehabilitation services such as counseling and community service.

Drug Court and CITA (Court Individualized Treatment of Adolescents) Court: Specialty Courts focusing on alcohol, drug and mental health concerns. A team approach with collaborative interaction between allied agencies such as the Court, Probation, DA, PD, DBH, CFS and contracted treatment providers. The goal is to reduce incarceration, decrease recidivism, advocate for treatment services and enhance community protection while eliminating future criminal behavior while improving the quality of life for youth living with drug/alcohol addiction and/or mental health issues.

GRACE (Gender Responsive Adolescent Caseload Enrichment): Focuses specifically on youthful female offenders to address the detailed trauma and coping mechanisms that present themselves with young girls. Offenders complete gender specific programming which fosters self-esteem, helps girls maintain authentic connection with peers and adult women in their community, counter trends toward self-doubt, and allow for genuine expression through verbal sharing and creative activity.

Wraparound Program: The Wraparound Program focuses on strengthening the family as a whole so the at-risk youth can remain in the home. This is a team approach with a Probation Officer, therapist, Parent Partner, DBH, CFS, school officials and community members identified by the family and team as a strengthening force. The team meets with the youth and family regularly and helps by coordinating services, working through new coping skills and supporting the family and the youth in dealing with entrenched emotional, behavioral and mental health issues.

Division of Juvenile Justice Caseload (DJJ): This caseload consists of youth committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice and those discharged by the California Juvenile Parole Board from the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Probation officers conduct quarterly visits at the three DJJ detention facilities and one fire camp. Probation Officers work closely with DJJ staff focusing on pre-release rehabilitation plans, identifying and connecting youth to services in the community and planning with family members. The goal is to help youth successfully reintegrate into the community.

All field service units and programs are designed to focus on prevention, intervention, community safety, supervision and rehabilitation with an emphasis on utilizing tools, resources and services available as an alternate to detention, and using detention as a last resort. Strengthening families is also a primary goal.