

**Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant
Annual Plan**

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Background and Instructions:

Welfare & Institutions Code Section(s) 1990-1995 establish the Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant program for the purpose of providing county-based care, custody, and supervision of youth who are realigned from the state Division of Juvenile Justice or who would otherwise be eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Justice prior to its closure.

To be eligible for funding allocations associated with this grant program, counties shall create a subcommittee of the multiagency juvenile justice coordinating council to develop a plan describing the facilities, programs, placements, services, supervision and reentry strategies that are needed to provide appropriate rehabilitative services for realigned youth.

County plans are to be submitted and revised in accordance with WIC 1995, and may be posted, as submitted, to the Office of Youth and Community Restoration website.

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Part 1: Subcommittee Composition (WIC 1995 (b))

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Part 2: Target Population (WIC 1995 (C) (1))

Briefly describe the County's realignment target population supported by the block grant:

The identification of the targeted population will focus mostly on juveniles who have committed serious juvenile offenses and would pose a significant risk to public safety (e.g. gang activity, burglary, robbery, controlled substances sales, firearm-related violence, and sex related offenses.) Juveniles convicted of such crimes are placed on a high risk supervision caseload.

High risk supervision juveniles have numbered approximately 19 minors over the last two years which makes up about 9% of Lake County's caseload, and ■■ minors are considered moderate high or ■■ of the county's caseload.

Demographics of identified target population, including anticipated numbers of youth served, disaggregated by factors including age, gender, race or ethnicity, and offense/offense history:

Lake County is a small county located in Northern California. It is mostly rural with two incorporated cities and a number of unincorporated communities. Lakeport is the county seat and Clearlake has the largest population.

According to the United States Census Bureau, the annual estimated population of Lake County is 64,195 people. The median age is 45 years old. The largest ethnic groups are white (70.5%), Hispanic (20.6%) and American Indian (3%). (Source: <https://www.california-demographics.com/lake-county-demographics>.)

The Probation Department's realignment target population currently consists of 15 males and ■■ females. The average age is 17 years old, the youngest being 13 and the oldest 21. The ethnicity of current supervised high risk juveniles is approximately ■■% white, ■■% Hispanic and ■■% American Indian.

Approximately ■■% of the crimes committed by Lake County's target population are weapons related, ■■% of the crimes are violent crimes, ■■% are theft-related, ■■% are drug/alcohol-related and resisting arrest/false ID, ■■% are gang-related, and ■■% are sex crime-related and property crimes.

Describe any additional relevant information pertaining to identified target population, including programs, placements and/or facilities to which they have been referred.

Lake County lacks any treatment for those who have committed sex crimes. As a result, all offenders are placed out of County for treatment or the family has to go to considerable expense to transport the minor to outpatient care three counties away (approximately 150 miles.)

Part 3: Programs and Services (WIC 1995 (c)(2))

Provide a description of the facilities, programs, placements, services and service providers, supervision, and other responses that will be provided to the target population:

Healthy Start – Lake County Office of Education (LCOE)

Healthy Start is a statewide initiative placing comprehensive support services for children and families at individual school sites. It gives schools, in partnership with public and private service providers, a unique opportunity to restructure systems to better meet the needs of children and families. Healthy Start offers a wide variety of services that focus on supporting academic success and building personal strengths for children, youth and families. Healthy Start assists students so they come to school ready to learn.

Lake County Sheriff’s Activities League (LCSAL) – Lake County Sheriff’s Office (LCSO)

U.S.A. Boxing: This is a coeducational activity for students 8 years to 18 years. The program is designed to promote physical fitness, self-defense, and respect for others. Coaches are trained and certified through USA Boxing. Students work out two times per week. Competition is optional. Students must pass a physical examination before beginning training.

Junior Giants: The Jr. Giants Program, funded by the Giants Community Foundation, offers eight weeks of programming for students, ages 5 to 18. Practices are held two times each week during the summer. Participants learn about leadership, teamwork, and other valuable life skills.

Lake Kayaking: LCSAL offers kayaking to students ages 11 to 18.

CA PREP (CA Personal Responsibility Education Program – teen pregnancy prevention) – Lake Family Resource Center (LFRC)

The CA Personal Responsibility Education Program (CA PREP) offers the opportunity to collaborate with local schools and provide pregnancy prevention education including HIV/STD awareness to 8th graders. The program utilizes the 'Making a Difference!' curriculum designed to empower adolescents to change their behavior in ways that will reduce their risk of becoming (or getting) someone pregnant, and becoming infected with an STD or HIV. Specifically, this curriculum advocates postponing sexual activity and emphasizes that abstinence is the only way to completely eliminate the risk of pregnancy, STDs and HIV.

Start Smart Program – California Highway Patrol (CHP)

Lake County's CHP office in Kelseyville is dedicated to reducing the amount of teen deaths and injuries that occur as a result of traffic collisions. The program is funded by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The CHP office in Kelseyville hosts free, two-hour driving safety classes each month. Participants in the Start Smart class are teenagers and their parents. The class also covers parental responsibilities, defensive driving and collision avoidance techniques, like appropriate space cushions. All minors who receive traffic citations are referred to the Start Smart Program by the Lake County Probation Department (LCPD.)

Family WRAP – Probation, LCOE

Family WRAP is a shortened version of Wraparound which is intended to focus on one specific criminogenic need rather than all of the needs of the youth and family. The program is intended to last 90 to 120 days and will be used with minors and families at the youth's first formal probation contact. The program was implemented in 2015, and saw success through 2018. The program was cut when funding was lost, but with a new agency providing services the program will return in 2021.

Nurturing Parenting – Lake County Office of Education (LCOE) and Probation.

The Nurturing Parenting programs are a family-centered initiative designed to build nurturing parenting skills as an alternative to abusive and neglecting parenting and child-rearing practices. The long term goals are to help families receive assistance from social services, lower the rate of multi-parent teenage pregnancies, reduce the

rate of juvenile delinquency and alcohol abuse, and stop the intergenerational cycle of child abuse by teaching positive parenting behaviors.

The programs feature activities to foster positive parenting skills and self-nurturing, home practice exercises, family nurturing time, and activities to promote positive brain development in children from birth to 18 years. Lessons are delivered in a home-based setting, group-based setting, or combination of home and group settings.

Parents and children attend separate groups that meet concurrently designed to build self-awareness, positive concept/self-esteem and build levels of empathy; teach alternatives to hitting and yelling; enhance family communication and awareness of needs; replace abusive behaviors with nurturing behaviors; promote healthy physical and emotional development; and teach appropriate role and developmental expectations.

Lake County Behavioral Health and Substance Use Disorder Services (SUDS) - Lake County Behavioral Health

Mental Health services are designed to provide strong community-based partnerships with individuals and families who are dealing with serious mental illness, including those who have co-occurring (mental health and substances abuse) disorders. Recovery-oriented services include assistance with establishing stable housing, access to physical health care, medications management, trauma-informed counseling and peer supports. Behavioral Health assists with management of mental health crises for all members of the community and provides for inpatient or temporary residential care as appropriate.

SUDS provides comprehensive, quality services and supports to community members in recovery from serious mental health and/or substance use disorders. For youth, SUDS offers individual and group counseling related to substance use and abuse.

Behavioral Health & AODS Counseling for Youth – Lake County Tribal Health (LCTH)

The goal of the Tribal Health Human Services Department is to provide culturally relevant comprehensive services including the incorporation of traditional practices, adult and family behavioral health counseling and support, alcohol and other drug services, and children’s treatment services to Native American and Alaska Native persons within the context of a community-based primary care health center. Native youth are referred to Tribal Health to participate in these services.

Electronic Monitoring (EMP) – Probation – YOBG

The LCPD uses Electronic Monitoring (EMP) as an evidence-based graduated sanction and/or detention alternative with high-risk to re-offend, moderate-high risk to re-offend, and youth at-risk of out of home placement.

EMP allows probationers to live in the community while attending school and working on their rehabilitation needs without detention. Probation officers can ensure compliance with probation terms with this monitoring device. Public safety is enhanced through contact monitoring of these youth. The devices are paid for with the YOBG block grant funds.

Intensive Probation Supervision – Probation – YOBG

The Youthful Offender Intensive Supervision Program (YOISP) offers both supervision and rehabilitation. It serves youth who: have been assessed to be an enhanced risk to re-offend; have committed serious offenses and/or repeated offenses; have extensive juvenile hall detention; and/or could be subject to more restrictive placements. The goals of the YOISP are to tailor each youth's circumstances and create a thorough, documented Re-Entry Plan developed through pre-release meetings with a Child Family Team.

The YOBG block grant pays for the services of 80% of a Full-Time Equivalent Deputy Probation Officer (divided between two officers) and 25% of a supervising Senior Deputy Probation Officer. The grant also covers EBP services offered, as well as the license fee for PACT. Funding is also used to train officers in the use of EBP in order to achieve fidelity in implementation. All YOISP services fall into the strategic plan of strengthening EBP and Promising Practices throughout Lake County.

Summer Program – Probation/RCS

The LCPD and RCS held their 4th Annual Exploring Horizons Summer Program for 10 juveniles in 2019. The program is filled with fun sports activities, and the youth were also able to receive training in first aid, CPR, and employment readiness skills. The program included trips to the Sonoma Wildlife Rescue, the Skunk Train and Fort Bragg beach; as well as tours of the Universal Technical Institute, Job Corps and California Conservation Corps. The LCPD and RCS use this program to expose the youth in Lake County to activities and potential careers in and outside the county. The program continues to generate positive feedback and will continue in 2020. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Probation will explore an alternate way for youth to participate in this program to maintain safety and social distancing.

Wraparound – Probation, CWS, RCS

The mission of Wraparound is to keep children at home with those who love them and know them the best by linking families with community supports. Wraparound was implemented in Lake County on October 1st, 2010 and has been one of the most successful programs of the Juvenile Division.

The LCPD and Child Welfare Services contract with RCS for this program. For probation referred youth and families, this program can last from 6 months up to 18 months and assist the family with a variety of issues including homelessness, family conflict, and family therapy. The family creates a family team and has the assistance of a Care Coordinator who leads the team, a Skills Coach who provides one-on-one assistance to the youth, and a Parent Partner that works one-on-one with the parents.

Tehama ARMOR Program – Tehama County

An alternative option to Juvenile Hall offered by Tehama County is the Changing Assessment, Responsibility, Motivation, Outlook, and Respect Program (ARMOR). The program is a 120/180 day Evidence Based Practices (EBP) proven program designed to improve a juvenile's attitude, responsibility, motivation, outlook, and respect. The juvenile detention staff work with the youth to evaluate and identify the youth's strengths and needs. The program is based on the juvenile earning points for positive behavior and accomplishments. Staff use Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and Moral Recognition Therapy based strategies with the youth to illicit changes in their behaviors.

There are five phases and task assignments a juvenile must complete to graduate from the program. Once it is determined that the youth is committed to the program, they may become involved with any of the following agencies or programs: ATV (Alternatives to Violence), Drug and Alcohol, MRT – Moral Recognition Therapy, Parenting Classes, E-Scholar, Faith Based Support Systems, Bike Program, Community Service, ART – Aggression Replacement Training.

The juvenile must also successfully transition home. The length of the program depends on the juvenile and how long it takes them to navigate through the phases and tasks. Lake County's first youth to complete the program provided positive feedback of ARMOR and optimism for the future. Additionally, the Tehama County staff reported a significant change in the minor's attitudes and behaviors.

Tri-County Camp Program – Yuba and Sutter County Probation Department – YOBG

At the end of 2017, the LCPD contracted with the Yuba and Sutter Probation Departments to have juveniles attend the Maxine Singer Youth Guidance Center,

"Camp Singer," as an alternative to out of home placement and extended Juvenile Hall stays. Camp Singer is a 365 day court commitment program, for youth ages 14 and older, wherein the last phase is spent on a family furlough. Youth have the ability to graduate from the program up to six (6) months earlier if their behavior and individual progress warrants an early release. The primary objectives of Camp Singer are to focus on community protection and redirection of maladaptive behavior. Camp Singer focuses on providing a highly-structured and disciplined environment which will help curb the youth's delinquent behavior.

The Harbor on Main – Youth Resource Center – RCS

The primary goal of the Harbor is to address community needs by: Centralizing resources specific to transition age youth. The Harbor provides a learning environment to maximize youth potential through coordinated activities that empower and support youth to become independent and successful adults. Resources provided by the Harbor include Medi-Cal, CalFresh, Housing, Health, and Dental application assistance. The Harbor also provides: Career Planning, Employment Resources, Life Skills, Mentoring, Financial Literacy, Peer Support, Counseling, Substance Use/Misuse Support, Relationship Workshops, Anger Management, Clothing Closet, Hygiene Closet, GED Preparation, Motivational Movies, and Parenting Classes

Part 4: Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant Funds (WIC 1995 (3)(a))

Describe how the County plans to apply grant funds to address the mental health, sex offender treatment, or related behavioral or trauma-based needs of the target population:

LCPD and Behavioral Health collaborate as a team. Currently, a Children's Team from Behavioral Health contacts the Juvenile Probation Supervisor as needed to discuss youth on probation that are also receiving mental health services. Continuum of Care Reform (CCR) has been implemented. Child and Family Teams (CFT) occur with at-risk and placement youth and Behavioral Health attends when they can be a benefit to the team.

Lake County Probation is discussing a regional agreement to facilitate detention of our realigned youth. LCPD anticipates this agreement will ensure services will be available for our female and sex offender minors through these programs and the Tri-County Camp.

LCPD will also pay for out-patient sex offender treatment and transportation when ordered by the Court.

Describe how the County plans to apply grant funds to address support programs or services that promote healthy adolescent development for the target population: (WIC 1995 (3) (B))

Community and agency programs within Lake County and our surrounding counties offer programs and services which promote healthy adolescent development including the Lake County Sherriff's Activities League and our Summer Program include promoting physical fitness, respect for others, employment readiness skills, and exposing youth to activities they may not otherwise have the opportunity to experience.

The Healthy Start program offered by the Lake County Office of Education and LCPD's school resource officer also provide support services at Lake County's school sites.

Describe how the County plans to apply grant funds to address family engagement in programs for the target population: (WIC 1995 (3) (C))

The Lake County Probation Department collaborates with Redwood Children's Services (RCS) to ensure that programs like Wraparound run uniformly. The goal of the collaboration is to provide participants and their families are provided needed services.

LCPD with Lake County Office of Education will be providing Family WRAP services to youth and their families. The program is a shortened version of Wraparound focusing on one specific criminogenic need and runs 90 to 120 days.

Transportation to visit youth placed in other counties or at juvenile hall is provided as well as transportation for home visits. Technology is also provided to ensure regular contact between youth and family members.

Describe how the County plans to apply grant funds to address reentry, including planning and linkages to support employment, housing and continuing education for the target population: (WIC 1995 (3) (D))

Families will be placed in programs such as WRAP and Family Wrap upon reentry to ensure a successful transition back to the family home. These programs help find housing and employment services for youth and families and ensure the youth returns to the least restrictive education environment.

Describe how the County plans to apply grant funds to address evidence-based, promising, trauma- informed and culturally responsive services for the target population: (WIC 1995 (3) (E))

Lake County will continue to train staff of evidence-based, trauma informed and culturally responsive practices. Lake County's agencies have entered into agreements

through the Children’s Council to ensure these trainings continue and that a consistent language is used by all agencies so that families are provided with the necessary care in a way responsive to the family’s needs.

Describe whether and how the County plans to apply grant funds to include services or programs for the target population that are provided by nongovernmental or community-based providers: (WIC 1995 (3) (F)

No plans at this time.

Part 5: Facility Plan

Describe in detail each of the facilities that the County plans to use to house or confine the target population at varying levels of offense severity and treatment need, and improvements to accommodate long-term commitments. Facility information shall also include information on how the facilities will ensure the safety and protection of youth having different ages, genders, special needs, and other relevant characteristics. (WIC 1995 (4))

Tehama County Juvenile Detention Facility – Tehama County

The LCPD contracts with Tehama County for juvenile detention services. The primary function of the Tehama County Juvenile Detention Facility is to provide for the physical and emotional care of confined youth pursuant to California Code of Regulations, Title 15 and Title 24 standards. Youth can be detained pending their Juvenile Court Hearings, while they are serving short-term commitments or awaiting out-of-home placement in a foster/group home, camp or other institution.

The Tehama County Juvenile Detention Facility provides education, food, clothing, and personal hygiene items, as well as medical, psychiatric, and dental services. Additionally, youth can access AA/NA meetings, yoga classes, martial arts classes, and CHP Start Smart classes.

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Part 6: Retaining the Target Population in the Juvenile Justice System

Describe how the plan will incentivize or facilitate the retention of the target population within the jurisdiction and rehabilitative foundation of the juvenile justice system, in lieu of transfer to the adult criminal justice system: (WIC 1995 (5))

Lake County Probation has had very few youths tried as adults over the last ten years, and have only had two juvenile offenders placed in DJJ during that same time

period. The closing of DJJ will have very little impact on the department's ability to maintain this practice.

Part 7: Regional Effort

Describe any regional agreements or arrangements supported by the County's block grant allocation: (WIC 1995 (6))

Lake County Probation is discussing a regional agreement to facilitate detention of our realigned youth. LDPD anticipates this agreement will ensure services will be available for our female and sex offender minors through programs and the Tri-County Camp.

Part 8: Data

Describe how data will be collected on youth served by the block grant: (WIC 1995 (7))

Software (Tyler Supervision, Assessments.com, CWS/CMS, Time Study Buddy)

In November of 2015, the LCPD began managing their juvenile caseloads on Tyler Supervision (formally CaseloadPRO). Tyler Supervision is a criminal justice software for sheriff, probation, pre-trial and parole departments that combines the industries most sophisticated technological advancements. All juvenile records and information gathered by the department is loaded onto this software. Tyler Supervision can be accessed via the internet along with all of the data gathered on it. The LCPD inputs all information related to youth and families in Tyler Supervision. Behavioral Health accesses Tyler for inputting data. Tehama County accesses Tyler to maintain consistent data on in custody youth housed in their facility and to create consistent case plans. Information from this software can be shared with other departments via printouts, converting to excel spreadsheets, or word documents. Reports are also run and provided to the Department of Justice and Department of Social Services for various requirements.

The LCPD currently uses Assessments.com to run PACT assessments. Assessments.com is a juvenile justice risk assessment instrument and case management software. Assessments.com provides a tool for administering research-validated assessment instruments over the Internet and provides an assessment model based on best practices. The system collects and analyzes measurement data using hand-picked assessment instruments and generates outcome reports to assess

change. Data from Assessments.com is used to identify top criminogenic needs, which then is used to place a juvenile in a program that focuses on improvements in those areas. Scores are also used to compare if the well-being of a juvenile has changed during the duration of a program. Beginning July 1, 2021 LCPD is contracting with Nobel for our assessment management.

Placement information is shared with Child Welfare Services (CWS) through their software called CWS/CMS. When a juvenile probationer enters placement, their information is inputted into the system and can be accessed by anyone qualified. Information on the system can contain: education, health, familial, referrals, placement history and a current status, and ICWA information. CWS/CMS is also used for statistical purposes for reports required monthly and quarterly.

Time Study Buddy™ is a web-based time study "service." The hardware and software are maintained and hosted by the Vendor. The Department of Social Services (DSS), CWS and Probation all track employee hours in Time Study Buddy via the Internet and a supported Internet browser. Time captured for officers and line-staff on Time Study Buddy can be used for many different reasons; one of the most important reasons is to track hours for grant funding purposes.

Describe outcome measures that will be utilized to determine the results of the programs and interventions supported by block grant funds: (WIC 1995 (7))

Probation tracks the valuation of Risk Factors and Protective Factors calculated by the assessment. Youth are re-assessed, at a minimum, of every 6 months and the expectation is that Risk Factors will decrease and Protective Factors will increase as programs and interventions are used.