

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))

List the subcommittee members, agency affiliation where applicable, and contact information:

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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 targeted population would be the highest level, serious juvenile offenders requiring long-term treatment and custodial care. These juvenile offenders would have previously been eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) prior to its closure. These offenders would typically be adjudicated for an offense listed in Section 707(b) of the Welfare and Institutions Code or described in Section 290.008 of the Penal Code.

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

At this time we have [REDACTED] currently committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice. Prior to [REDACTED] 2015, the last Department of Juvenile Justice commitment was in 2005. It is anticipated that Calaveras County will continue to be a low-need user of long-term commitment services. There is no record of a female juvenile offender from Calaveras County ever being sent to a long-term commitment facility operated by the State.

Calaveras County will continue to contract with multiple out-of-county juvenile halls for most of our lower level rehabilitative services and programs. If a more serious offender enters the local justice system one of these facilities may be utilized while the youth goes through the juvenile court system. If a youth requires long-term commitment services it may be necessary to contract with another county providing specialized long term commitment services. At this time, long-term commitment services are being developed by other counties.

Demographics disclaimer: Due to the fact that [REDACTED] youth was committed to DJJ during the past ten years, disaggregated data is withheld due to privacy concerns. There are no future targets based on gender, race or ethnicity. It is expected that any future commitments would be at least 16 years of age with a qualifying 707(b) offense. There have only been four adjudications for a 707(b) offense since 2019, and none of those youths were committed to DJJ. As such, it is anticipated that secure track commitments will be extremely rare in Calaveras County.

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

Long-term commitment services, including specialized treatment services, are currently being developed by other counties. Available programs will be described here in future plans as they become available through the County Probation Consortium Partnering for Youth Realignment.

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:

Long-term commitment services, including specialized treatment services, are currently being developed by other counties through the County Probation Consortium Partnering for Youth Realignment. After the programs are established, Calaveras County will then assess the needs of the youth and the available commitment services, including specialized treatment services, to determine what type of programming is available to best meet the needs of the youth.

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:

Calaveras County will receive the SB823 Block Grant minimum of \$250,000 per year. It is recommended that a budget line item be created within the Probation Department and that the funds are allocated if there is a need for support and care of a youth needing long term commitment services, including specialized treatment services. For now, the reserve funds will accumulate until there is a commitment need. This will financially prepare the county to be able to pay for the commitment if we ever have one.

Calaveras County has joined the County Probation Consortium Partnering for Youth Realignment. This gives the county access to the state network of Secure Youth Treatment Facilities, as well as technical assistance through the state network. Having access to the variety of secure treatment facilities being developed statewide ensures that Calaveras County will be able to secure appropriate detention beds as close to Calaveras County as possible. The annual cost of membership is one percent of the SB 823 Block Grant distribution.