

Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant Annual Plan¹

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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. If the subcommittee has opted to select a co-chair, identify the co-chair

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Additional Subcommittee Participants				

*** Trinity County does not have a department of mental health; however, does have a Behavioral Health Services Department.**

**** Given a lack of available participants, Behavioral Health Services is serving a dual role.**

Part 2. Subcommittee Process and Meetings

Define process utilized by subcommittee to determine whether or not a co-chair was desired (WIC 1995(b)):

The Chief Probation Officer (CPO) has previously been unable to overcome challenges in engaging community members to participate as subcommittee members despite postings in newspapers, online and through professional networks. The CPO has previously reported this fact in the annual plan. This reporting period, the CPO focused on engagement with specific individuals and groups. The CPO has also previously engaged with the Office of Youth and Community Restoration (OYCR) regarding the desire to incorporate youth who have been not only in the justice system but also in the foster care system for a perspective of being a youth dependent on, or largely impacted by, a large state system. OYCR shared that this was an acceptable option in an email response to the CPO. This reporting cycle the CPO elected to meet with the Trinity County Office of Education’s Foster Youth Services Coordinator and then attend their foster youth meeting to present about the Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant (JJRBG) and related legislation. This was both for career engagement and the purposes of this annual plan. The youth were invited to the Juvenile Justice Coordinated Council (JJCC) meeting and also invited to be community members of the subcommittee for this report, The CPO offered to commemorate their participation in the process with a letter or recognition that could be added to school, grant, scholarship or employment applications. The JJCC was supportive of this effort. Parents of youth in the juvenile justice system were also invited to participate on the subcommittee in person during meetings and while participating in classes. The parent who wanted to participate ended up not being able to do so.

Subcommittee members discussed the advantages of having a co-chair. Among the benefits included that the co-chair could ensure the JJRBG Annual Plan process continued if the chair was unable to be present for scheduled meetings. It was unanimously decided that the co-chair would be determined by majority vote of the present sub-committee members. The CPO recommended

the current co-chair. The co-chair is progressing in their educational goals and early in their professional career path. Trinity County leaders actively make efforts to support local professional development. The other higher-ranking subcommittee members agreed to assist the co-chair if needed in order to provide a growth opportunity to one of our local youth. The co-chair was determined by a unanimous vote of those present for the meeting.

Provide dates of subcommittee meetings held during the year (WIC 1995(e)):

February 21, 2024

March 19, 2024

Provide date plan was updated (WIC 1995(e)) and approved by the majority of the subcommittee (WIC 1995(c)):

March 19, 2024

March 26, 2024

Part 3: Target Population (WIC 1995 (d) (1))

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

The County’s realignment target population is defined as youth who were eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Justice prior to its closure, and shall further be defined as persons who are adjudicated to be a ward of the juvenile court based on an offense described in subdivision (b) of Section 707 of the Welfare and Institutions Code or an offense described in Section 290.008 of the Penal Code. (WIC 1990(b)).

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

Trinity County has [REDACTED] youth to the Department of Juvenile Justice and [REDACTED] youth transferred to the adult system in the past 13 years. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] There is no record in the last twenty-two (22) years of a female juvenile ward from Trinity County ever being committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice. Trinity County had [REDACTED] youth adjudicated to be a ward of the juvenile court based on an offense described in subdivision (b) of Section 707 of the Welfare and Institutions Code or an offense described in Section 290.008 of the Penal Code. (WIC 1990(b)). With numbers being so low, to provide disaggregated factors requested could unintentionally identify one of our youth and will not be provided in this narrative. [REDACTED] of these youth were committed to an SYTF. It is anticipated that Trinity County will continue to be a low-need user of long-term commitment services.

Trinity County is currently contracted with Butte, Humboldt, Shasta and Tehama Counties for use of their juvenile detention facilities and their available programs and resources for youth who require rehabilitative services and programs in a secure environment and while going through the juvenile court system. If a youth is adjudicated within the target population described by this plan, it may be necessary to contract with another county providing specialized long-term commitment services and less restrictive programs outside of the current contracts.

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

Many lower level interventions provided by the Probation Department are available to youth prior to a long-term commitment of this nature becoming necessary. However, at times the serious nature of the adjudicated offense(s) and consideration for public safety will outweigh the opportunity for youth to engage in lower-level options.

Under SB 823 and SB 92, there is a presumption that youth should remain in the Juvenile Justice System.

The changes brought to the Juvenile Justice System as a result of SB 823 further address the need to have a plan in place to support youth who can be safely maintained in the Juvenile Justice System, and housed detained, under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court. It is the intent of the legislation for counties to reduce the number of youth transferred into the Adult Criminal Justice System and to ensure dispositions are to the least restrictive appropriate environment. Youth will be evaluated on a case by case basis and, while the presumption will remain that a youth remain in the Juvenile Justice System, consideration will be given to factors such as public safety, the degree of criminal sophistication, and the success of previous attempts to rehabilitate the youth when determining whether the youth should remain in the delinquency system or a motion to transfer the case to the adult system should be considered.

At this time, long-term commitment services continue being developed by other counties. These include secure facilities, camps, step-down or re-entry settings and evolving settings to provide the appropriate treatment and increase the success of the youth.

Available programs will be described here in future plans as they become available.

Part 4: Programs and Services (WIC 1995 (d)(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:

High quality services and programs may include secure facilities, camps, step-down or re-entry settings and other evolving settings to provide the appropriate treatment to increase the success of the youth. Trinity County will assess the needs of the youth and the available commitment services to determine what type of resource is available to best meet the needs of the youth.

Trinity County Resources:

Trinity County Probation Department (TCPD) provides an array of juvenile services including, but not limited to, prevention, intervention and informal services, investigation, intake, assessment, diversion and diversion programming, case planning, supervision, advocacy, placement, and contracts for custody/residential correctional treatment. Probation also has an assigned intervention officer who assists the schools by providing supervision and support to sporting events, Sober Grad., school dances, and other functions.

Trinity County Substance Use Disorder Program (SUD) provides Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT), Trinity Choices youth substance use education, intervention programming, Club Live (elementary schools) and Friday Night Live (high schools) programs to the youth in Trinity County. SUD is also a partner to Probation in facilitating the Forward Thinking Series.

Trinity County Behavioral Health (TCBHS) funds and maintains the System of Care Team and Parent Partner program. They also provide mental health services, including: individual therapy, individual rehab, intensive care coordination (ICC) and case management to probation youth in need of that level of care. Additionally, TCBHS provides crisis response to youth.

Human Response Network (HRN), the primary community-based organization (CBO) and non-profit service provider in Trinity County, offers a variety of programs to youth and their families. Services include the following: Housing Assistance for youth and families that are homeless or at-risk of being homeless; Transportation Assistance program to help families with fuel to go to their medical and social service appointments; Youth Leadership and Violence Prevention Programs; Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Survivor advocacy and support; Welcome Baby Program for anyone caring for an infant, including youth parents; School Shoes for enrolled students; Child Care assistance for families with children 12 and under; and referrals to other services in the county.

Trinity County Office of Education (TCOE) offers a range of impactful programs aimed at supporting and empowering our youth:

1. Love and Logic Parenting Classes: TCOE provides Love and Logic parenting classes to parents of probation youth, offering valuable guidance and strategies for nurturing positive relationships and effective discipline.

2. RISE Academy: TCOE's RISE Academy is a unique alternative school designed to cater to at-risk students who require a second chance to thrive. With a trauma-sensitive approach, the Academy specializes in serving students facing various challenges, including involvement with School Attendance Review Boards (SARB), expulsion, probation, homelessness, and foster care. The school is temporarily closed and can be reopened when need arises.

3. Wellness Support Programming for all students in all Trinity County Schools: TCOE offers mental health and behavioral support staff to all schools throughout our county. With 4 clinicians, 3 psychologists and two behaviorists, our team is able to provide targeted interventions and supports to all students. Additionally, the team provides 7 wellness liaisons assigned to every school in the county offering crucial support to students facing mental health & behavioral challenges along with teaching social emotional learning strategies. Through targeted prevention, intervention, and triage school-based mental health and wellness supports, the program aims to enhance the overall health and well-being of each student.

4. Student Behavioral Health Incentive Program (SBHIP): The Student Behavioral Health Incentive Program (SBHIP) recognizes schools as a critical point of access for preventive and early-intervention behavioral health services, as children are in school for many hours a day, for approximately half the days of the year. Early identification and treatment through school-based behavioral health services can greatly improve health while also reducing emergency room visits, crisis situations, inpatient stays, etc. In Trinity County, SBHIP provides students with both small group and individualized behavioral support, along with strategies aimed at developing crucial behavioral and social skills. Additionally, school staff benefit from consultation services geared toward improving classroom management, teaching strategies, and assistance for students facing behavioral challenges or special needs.

5. CalHOPE: The CalHOPE Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Community of Practice is helping enable Trinity County schools and communities to be leaders in supporting proactive and early intervention as we collectively respond to the social, emotional, and mental health needs of students, families, and educators. Through a unique partnership with our local and state agency partners, to bring children back into learning after widespread trauma and isolation.

6. Prevention and Early Intervention: The Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) program aims to identify opportunities for promoting preventative mental strategies for students as challenges begin to emerge as a way to prevent those challenges from becoming more severe. The PEI program aims to identify opportunities for reducing mental health risk and promoting early intervention to prevent the negative outcomes that may occur as a result of mental health challenges.

In Trinity County, the PEI counselor provides valuable support to school sites, offering students both small group and individual counseling sessions. Additionally, the counselor helps students with essential strategies, such as stress reduction techniques, fostering positive peer connections, and developing self-regulation skills, including anger management and the ability to navigate challenging social and emotional situations effectively.

7. The School Attendance Review Board (SARB) coordinated by TCOE for all schools in our county. This board helps students stay in school, attend school regularly, and graduate. The SARB is also a community-based effort to bring together resources to assist those families experiencing attendance and/or truancy issues. The SARB is a level of intervention designed with intention of preventing involvement with the court system related to attendance and/or truancy.

8. Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) programs: supports and provides technical assistance to all schools including classroom-based substance abuse prevention programs, intervention and cessation services, and youth development activities, such as peer education. Every Trinity County school is receiving assistance to support Tobacco Use Prevention Education for students, staff and parents. TCOE works closely with each school to provide educational resources. Most of our school districts have a TUPE site coordinator and are using the Stanford Tobacco Prevention Toolkit and the Catch My Breath curriculum to educate students on the effects of vaping.

9. Foster Youth Services and McKinney-Vento Program: The Foster Youth Services and McKinney-Vento programs provide support for students who are in foster care and those students in the county who are struggling with housing instability. We can assist with school enrollment, case management, school of origin transportation arrangements, tutoring, advocacy, connections to community resources and help with school transitions. This team works collaboratively with students, families, community partners and schools to ensure the best possible education outcomes for this student population. We can also provide training regarding Foster Youth Education Rights and McKinney-Vento Education Rights to school districts, community members and other agencies.

Trinity Together, Cradle to Career Partnership (TTCP) explores what students need in order to be ready for higher education or the local job market. This program utilizes business people and organizations throughout the county. In addition to the identified need of providing youth with needed technical job skills, certain soft skills (showing up on time, not using your phone at work, dressing appropriately, looking people in the eye, making introductions, being courteous, etc.) were also deemed to be just as important links to employment as are resumes, filling out job applications, and interviewing. The ultimate goal is to develop a program that can build pathways for students so that they might go from school to internships, to job experiences, and finally to employment in careers within Trinity County.

Trinity County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) maintains contact and communication with the Trinity County Probation Department. They partner with various county agencies when the opportunity and funding allow. The Sheriff's Office participates in juvenile justice stakeholder meetings. The Sheriff's Office also has an assigned juvenile officer who assists the schools providing supervision and support to sporting events, Sober Grad., school dances, and other functions.

California Highway Patrol (CHP) offers the Smart Start program and helps support the Sober Grad programs in the county. The California Highway Patrol has partnered with and is committed to being of service to the youth of Trinity County.

Trinity County District Attorney's Office (TCDA) maintains contact and communication with the Trinity County Probation Department to determine the best course of action for offending youth, often deferring to their recommendations. The TCDA also participate in Peer Court with the TCOE. Peer Court is an alternative approach to the traditional juvenile justice system where youth charged with an offense have the option to waive the hearing and sentencing procedures of juvenile court and agree to a sentencing forum with a jury of the youth's peers. Peer court is under the supervision of a judge and also includes youth defendants and volunteers who play a variety of roles in the judicial process, such as district attorney, public defender, bailiff or juror. Peer Court is youth-focused and youth-driven. The Peer court model provides youth the opportunity to acquire practical experience in the juvenile justice system They participate in the stakeholder meetings and are active in helping address the various needs of the youth of Trinity County with the goal of preventing the need for long term commitment and encourage growth.

Trinity County Health & Human Services (HHS) oversees the county's Resource Family Approval (RFA) program and partners with the Trinity County Probation Department to assess, approve and to support the care-providers of youth when they are ready to transition into lower-level, family and/or community-based homes.

Under the CalWORKs (Temporary Aid to Needy Families – TANF) provisions, youth ages 16 – 18 who are in receipt of CalWORKs are permitted to participate in the Welfare-To-Work component of CalWORKs. Participation activities are either vocational education related or employment related. Examples of approved activities can include but, are not limited to; job readiness, on-the-job training (subsidized employment), work-experience, assessment(s), referrals for behavioral health / substance use treatment services, vocational education (certification programs) and any other activity that may resolve a barrier toward employment. As such, these youth are entitled to all the necessary and available ancillary and supportive services that are also offered to adult participants. These items can include, but are not limited to; costs for transportation, vocational education / work supplies, payment/reimbursement for licenses or certifications, tools and clothing for work, etc.

HHS collaborates with the various county agencies described herein in stakeholders' groups concerning youth-based programming to better support the needs of youth and families.

CSEC: Trinity County Health and Human Services, Child Welfare Services (CWS), Trinity County Probation Department (Probation), and California Superior Court, County of Trinity-Juvenile Court (Court) participate in the Commercially Sexually Exploited Children (CSEC) Program and have developed the CSEC Interagency Protocol as described in Section 16524.7 of California Welfare and Institutions Code.

Trinity County Child Welfare Services and Trinity County Probation implemented policies and procedures, pursuant to Section 16501.35 of the California Welfare and Institutions Code, that require social workers and probation officers to identify, document and determine appropriate services for children who are, or are at risk of becoming, victims of commercial sexual exploitation; and receive relevant training in order to be able to do so.

The SMART Workforce Center is a mission-driven, non-profit organization dedicated to helping people achieve education and workplace success. Each year, SMART serves hundreds/thousands of students, job seekers, schools, government agencies, and employers in the North State.

The SMART Workforce Center is a 501c3 non-profit, committed to helping job seekers find jobs, increase training and skills, and increase earnings. SMART also invests in our local economy by helping businesses grow.

Part 5: Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant Funds (WIC 1995(d)(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:

Funds may be used to support more local services in contract counties to have the ability to keep Trinity County target population youth detained in custody closer to their family or other pro-social supports while receiving treatment or as an option in re-entry planning. The funds will be allocated if there is a need for support and care of a target population youth needing long term commitment services, including specialized treatment services to address mental health, sex offender treatment and related behavioral or trauma-based needs of the target population. These needs will be determined by specific evaluation by the appropriate professional and in coordination with an evidence based risk assessment. The providers of these services include County Mental Health and Behavioral Health Departments, Nongovernmental Community Based Organizations, private providers and specialized treatment programs. 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 of a target youth.

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(d)(3)(B)):

Funds may be used to support more local services in contract counties to have the ability to keep Trinity County target population youth detained in custody closer to their family or other pro-social supports while receiving treatment or as an option in re-entry planning. The funds will be allocated if there is a need for support and care of a target population youth needing long term commitment services, including specialized treatment services and support programs and services that promote healthy adolescent development utilizing evidence based practices and best practices. This may include utilizing funds to better prepare youth for adulthood and independence through skill building programs or organization and possibly mentorship programs.

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 of a target youth

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

Funds may also be used to support more local services to have the ability to keep Trinity County target population youth detained in custody closer to their family or other pro-social supports while receiving treatment or as an option in re-entry planning. The funds will be allocated if there is a need for support and care of a target population youth needing long term commitment services, including specialized treatment services. The probation department will utilize Child Family Team Meetings and local parenting supports to support family engagement. As the youth moves through treatment, it may become appropriate within the program they are participating in to have family visits and furloughs from custody as re-entry steps are taken. Funds may be used to provide support to the family or other pro-social supportive people for visits such as a gas voucher or gift card/certificate to participate in a pro-social activity. The probation department will support the facilitation of virtual meetings when it is in the best interest of the youth or circumstances prohibit in person meetings (i.e.: roads are impassible due to weather).

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 of a target youth,

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(d)(3)(D)):

Funds may be used to support more local services to have the ability to keep Trinity County target population youth detained in custody closer to their family or other pro-social supports while receiving treatment or as an option in re-entry planning. The funds will be allocated if there is a need for support and care of a target population youth needing long term commitment services, including specialized treatment services. This may include utilizing funds to better prepare youth for adulthood and independence through skill building programs or organization and possibly mentorship programs.

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 of a target youth.

The probation officer assigned to the target population youth will directly coordinate all details of youth being released from commitments to address both custody and community needs upon release, coordinate services with all partnering agencies, oversee pre-release meetings, facilitate connections with outside entities for social support benefits that the youth may be eligible for (i.e.: MediCal, Social Security), identification needs, employment services and/or trainings or other continuing education needs. The probation officer will maintain communication with the youth to build rapport with youth and determine any special interest or skills to be further encouraged through community referrals.

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

Funds may be used to support more local services to have the ability to keep Trinity County target population youth detained in custody closer to their family or other pro-social supports while receiving treatment or as an option in re-entry planning. The funds will be allocated if there is a need for support and care of a target population youth needing long term commitment services, including specialized treatment services. All programs considered for the target youth will be reviewed to ensure they are evidence based and/or promising practices based. The programs should be trauma informed as well as culturally responsive. The Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) is requiring these specific elements of all programs being developed to accept the target population.

Trinity County probation officer are accustomed to working with the local Tribes, those Tribes are not federally recognized at this time and do not qualify under ICWA. Regardless of federal status, the county has historically extended the same level of case management under 'the spirit of ICWA', especially since the local Tribes are requesting Federal recognition. Probation will maintain supporting Indigenous youth through relationships and activities as possible and appropriate.

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 of a target youth

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(d)(3)(F)):

None at this time. Services will be obtained as needed. Need will be determined by evidence based assessment of criminogenic needs to reduce recidivism as well as trauma informed care.

Part 6: 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(d)(4))

Trinity County is currently contracted with Butte, Humboldt, Shasta and Tehama Counties for use of their juvenile detention facilities for youth who require rehabilitative services and programs in a secure environment and while going through the juvenile court system. If a youth is adjudicated within the target population described by this plan, it may be necessary to contract with another county providing specialized long-term commitment services and less restrictive programs outside of the current contracts.

High quality services and programs may include secure facilities, camps, step-down or re-entry settings and other evolving settings to provide the appropriate treatment and programs to better prepare youth for adulthood and independence through skill building, employment skills, traditional education and possibly mentorship programs, to increase the success of the youth. Trinity County will assess the needs of the youth and the available commitment services to determine what type of resource is available to best meet the needs of the youth.

The Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) requires information on how the facilities will ensure the safety and protection of youth having different ages, genders, special needs, and other relevant characteristics. These specific elements of all programs have been developed to accept the target population.

Tehama County has specifically invited Trinity County, along with additional counties that contract with them for detention, to utilize its facility and program it is developing in response to SB 823. Trinity County intends to utilize Tehama County Juvenile Detention Facility to house youth in order to have a consistent network for Trinity youth and to keep the target youth closer to family and pro-social supports. The following information is from Tehama County's plan describing the facility.

Anytime a Trinity County youth is detained in another facility the Trinity County Probation Department is aware the facility is in compliance with the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) and Title 15 for certification. Trinity County Deputy Probation Officers visit with the youth in person a minimum of one time per month and are constantly re-evaluating the youth's needs are being met and case plans to support success. Trinity County Deputy Probation Officers also participate in and/or facilitate Child and Family Team Meetings to support success and for appropriate re-entry planning.

Additionally, it is important to ensure additional safety measures and protections stay current and respectful of transitional youth's unique needs in a landscape of changing legislation.

Facility

Trinity County intends to utilize Tehama County Juvenile Detention Facility to house youth. The detention facility is a secure residential institution with an operational capacity of 42 beds. The facility plant is divided into three pods with 14 individual single occupancy rooms with a dayroom for structured activities and classroom in each pod. One pod will be designated for this realignment population. The facility also includes an intake unit with 4 additional single room cells with negative air flow to be used for any communicable disease isolation, an additional room which is used for mental health counseling, and a family visitation area. The physical plant includes a full kitchen, an elevated control tower with window views into all 3 pods and intake, and a fenced in recreation area.

Facility Upgrade Considerations

Current facility upgrades include the construction of a 400 square foot building with restroom that will accommodate instructor with skills for landscaping, gardening, and wood working/welding.

We are still assessing options for providing additional space needed for increased programming needs etc. and are considering aesthetically redesigning one of the Juvenile Detention Facility pods to create a more appealing (non-institutional) environment.

Staffing

Youth will be housed in a safe environment in cooperation with Juvenile Detention Staff and partnering agencies.

- Juvenile Corrections Officer (JCO): Will always be on-site 24 hours a day for supervision of youth detained in the facility. There will always be an adequate number of personnel sufficient to carry out program activities, provide for safety and security of youth and staff, meet established standards and regulations, and ensure that no required services shall be denied due to insufficient numbers of staff on duty (absent exigent circumstances). The shift coverage for the units will be arranged to meet or exceed Title 15 Standards for juvenile detention facilities. JCO supervision encompasses all daily activities youth participate in including, unit programming, meals, physical education, school, room and unit clean-up, medical transports, vocational training, off-site visits, court appointments, visits, structured activities, and all other programs.
- Behavioral Health Staffing: Staff will be on-site everyday and on-call 24 hours a day in case of an emergency response as needed, or a mental health crisis takes place. Youth can request behavioral health services at anytime by either verbal or confidential written request.
- Medical Staffing: Staff will be on-site every Monday/Wednesday/Friday to conduct initial medical evaluation on all newly booked youth. In-custody youth can verbally inform staff of

any medical needs and staff can initial protocols or refer the youth to medical staff for evaluation as well. Emergency and after-hours services are provided by St Elizabeth's Community Hospital. Youth also have access to dental and vision services located off-site as well.

Additional Safety Measures and Protections:

- Prison Rape Elimination Act – Youth will have access to the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) hotline. The Juvenile Detention Facility has a policy in place to investigate all sexually based accusations or complaints as serious, truthful, and time sensitive. PREA Investigators include supervisory staff or the Deputy Chief Probation Officer. At any time during an investigation, outside law enforcement agencies may be called to conduct a criminal investigation. Victim's Advocates will be available should they need to be utilized in any case. All information is considered confidential.
- Transgender Youth – Policies are in place to protect transgender and intersex youth. Upon initial entry to the Tehama County Juvenile Detention Facility youth who are identified as transgender participate with staff in determining housing, clothing, and supervision based on their gender identification.
- Special Education – In cooperation with the Tehama County Department of Education youth will have access to continued education and services. Individual Education Plans (IEP) and Education Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) are available for those youth who qualify. The school will also work in cooperation with behavioral health providers, medical staff, and Probation to individualize each youth's program to meet their specific needs.
- Suicide Prevention – The Juvenile Detention Facility is committed to deterring and preventing self-harm and suicide within its facility. Policies are in place for supervision of youth identified as high-risk for this behavior. Each youth completes a Suicide Risk Assessment questionnaire upon entry into the facility. This risk assessment tool is utilized in determining the youth history, current state of mind, and potential for self-harm or suicidal ideation. Youth deemed to be an immediate risk are immediately assessed by Behavioral Health to determine program needs and supervisory objectives. Youth may be placed on Suicide Watch depending on their needs. Programs can be changed at any time during their stay with Behavioral Health's input and approval.
- Youth Grievances – Youth will be able to file a grievance at any time. Each youth will have access to grievances during their program. A confidential grievance box is made available in each pod, or youth may give them directly to supervisory staff. Grievances are taken seriously, handled in a timely manner. All are reviewed by facility administration.

Part 7: 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(d)(5)):

Trinity County has had [REDACTED] youth tried as an adult in the past thirteen years, and has had [REDACTED] juvenile offender 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 8: Regional Effort

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

Trinity County is in a contract with Tehama County which includes an annual lump sum payment to support their services and programs in the juvenile detention facility for the target youth. This is to ensure the services are available and of high quality for when a Trinity County has a youth committed to Secure Youth Treatment Facility. Funds may also be used to support more local services to have the ability to keep Trinity County target population youth detained in custody closer to their family or other pro-social supports while receiving treatment or as an option in a least restrictive program or re-entry planning.

Part 9: Data

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

The Probation Department utilizes an electronic case management system that is able to collect and retain all data as required by the block grant.

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

Part 10: Progress Report

Provide a description of the progress made regarding any elements described in Parts 2-9 and any objectives and outcomes in the plan that was submitted to the Office of Youth and Community Restoration in the previous calendar year. (WIC 1995(d)(8)).

The Trinity County Probation Department did not list any objectives or outcomes in the plan that was submitted in the previous calendar year. There is not additional progress to report outside of the narrative that is included in Parts 2-9. Trinity County has very few local resources and is largely reliant on contracts with programs and services in the surrounding areas.