

County Notice of Proposed Operation and Description of Secure Youth Treatment Facility

Submit this form to your assigned BSCC Field Representative

Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) section 875, subdivision (g)(4) provides:

A county proposing to establish a secure youth treatment facility for wards described in subdivision (a)ⁱ shall notify the Board of State and Community Corrections of the operation of the facility and shall submit a description of the facility to the board in a format designated by the board.

Submission of this form serves as notice to the BSCC of the proposed operation and description of a Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF).

Date:	07/12/2021	
County:	Madera	
Facility Name:	Madera County Juvenile Detention Facility	
Facility Address:	1655 E. Olive Avenue Madera CA 93638	
Intended Date of Operation:	07/30/2021	
Contact Person:	Jose Pantoja	
Contact Person E-Mail:	jpantoja@maderacouty.com	

REQUIRED INFORMATION:

Fill in information on form or attach a separate document. If an operational program statement or other document addresses the required information, that document may be submitted as notice of proposed operation.

Identify each facility that will operate as a SYTF.				
Operating Agency (e.g., Probation Dept.)	Facility Name & Address	Facility Type (Juvenile Hall/Camp)	# of SYTF Beds	
Probation Department	Madera County Juvenile Detention Facility 1655. E. Olive Avenue Madera, CA !	Juvenile Hall Detention	5	
Probation Department	Madera County Juvenile Detention Facility 1655. E. Olive Avenue Madera, CA !	Camp Correctional Academy	5	

If existing beds will be converted to SYTF beds, please indicate by checking the box: 🗵

Describe the juvenile population to be served by each SYTF facility in the county by factors including offense, age, gender and any special programming, such as sex offender or mental health treatment to which the facility may be dedicated.

Madera County has 1 Juvenile Detention Facility (JDF). Our Correctional Academy (coed) is in our JDF. We plan to use our current local programs and space for our secure youth track population depending on youths ages. We have space for programming, which includes sex offender treatment offered by our local Behavioral Health, full-time on site mental health clinician to offer supportive services.



TO THE EXTENT KNOWN, PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

Describe the proposed or actual population capacity of the SYTF (ADP and maximum as applicable).	5-15 population capacity for secure track youth.	
If the county proposes or plans to accept commitments of SYTF youth from another county or counties, describe the capacity of the SYTF that will be dedicated or available to out-of-county commitments.	No plans at this time to accept secure track youth from other counties. However, may consider at a later date.	
If the SYTF is a unit of a facility that also houses detained or committed youth other than Section 875 committed wards, indicate which unit or part of the facility will be utilized as a SYTF.	Depending on the secure track youths age, risk level, need of services, threat level to other youth, secure track youth maybe in local services and programs in our JDF. Our initial intention is not to separate.	
Indicate whether you intend to separate SYTF from non-SYTF youth in the facility, and if they will be separated, describe how they will be separately housed and programmed.	If a secure track youth requires separate housing, Unit 1A can be utilized. Again, depending on their age, educational level and services needed will determine the housing programs offered. Unit 1A currently vacant housing 15 youth and is separate from the other housing units.	
Describe how the SYTF will be secure as required by WIC § 875 including any proposed modifications to achieve security.	Our secure youth track population will be housed in our local JDF. The Madera County Juvenile Detention Facility has no climb fence around the perimeter. Additionally we are in the process of upgrading our video technological security system.	
Describe how the programming, treatment, and education offered and provided is appropriate to meet the treatment and security needs of the youth serving baseline and modified baseline terms under WIC § 875.	Our secure track youth will be offered evidence based programming, we currently have a transition services coordinator that will continue to provide treatment services. JDF has an on-site, full-time Behavioral Health Clinician for support services and an AOD/SUD counselor will meet with secure track youth in group or individual as needed. For those youth graduated high school we plan to contract with our local community college to provide educational services in person at JDF or on-line. We currently have high school graduate youth enrolled and attending on line courses at the community college.	
Describe the staffing proposed for the SYTF, including staffing ratios.	10 youth to 2 staff	
If the county will use or proposes to establish or utilize a less restrictive program to which SYTF-committed youth may be transferred by the juvenile court, describe the less restrictive program including whether it is operated by a community service provider.	Depending on age, commitment and risk, least restrictive program to consider Teen Challenge, Madera Rescue Mission & Local housing through Community Action Partnership of Madera County (CAPMC)	



ⁱ Welfare and Institutions Code section 875, subdivision (a), provides:

- (a) In addition to the types of treatment specified in Sections 727 and 730, commencing July 1, 2021, the court may order that a ward who is 14 years of age or older, be committed to a secure youth treatment facility for a period of confinement described in subdivision (b) if the ward meets the following criteria:
 - (1) The juvenile is adjudicated and found to be a ward of the court based on an offense listed in subdivision (b) of Section 707.
 - (2) The adjudication described in paragraph (1) is the most recent offense for which the juvenile has been adjudicated.
 - (3) The court has made a finding on the record that a less restrictive, alternative disposition for the ward is unsuitable. In determining this, the court shall consider all relevant and material evidence, including the recommendations of counsel, the probation department, and any other agency or individual designated by the court to advise on the appropriate disposition of the case. The court shall additionally make its determination based on all of the following criteria:
 - (A) The severity of the offense or offenses for which the ward has been most recently adjudicated, including the ward's role in the offense, the ward's behavior, and harm done to victims.
 - (B) The ward's previous delinquent history, including the adequacy and success of previous attempts by the juvenile court to rehabilitate the ward.
 - (C) Whether the programming, treatment, and education offered and provided in a secure youth treatment facility is appropriate to meet the treatment and security needs of the ward.
 - (D) Whether the goals of rehabilitation and community safety can be met by assigning the ward to an alternative, less restrictive disposition that is available to the court.
 - (E) The ward's age, developmental maturity, mental and emotional health, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, and any disabilities or special needs affecting the safety or suitability of committing the ward to a term of confinement in a secure youth treatment facility.