



JUVENILE JUSTICE REALIGNMENT BLOCK GRANT ANNUAL PLAN

MAIN CONTACT FOR 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. Section 1995 was amended by Assembly Bill 505 (Ting, Chapter 528, Statutes of 2023.) This template has been updated to reflect those amendments which will be in effect on January 1, 2024. All citations are to the law as amended. The statutory language can be found [here](#).

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. (Welf. & Inst. Code § 1995(a).)

County plans are to be submitted to the Office of Youth and Community Restoration in accordance with Welf. & Inst. Code §1995. OYCR may request revisions as necessary or request completion of the required planning process prior to final acceptance of the plan. (Welf. & Inst. Code § 1995 (f).) Plans will be posted to the Office of Youth and Community Restoration website. (Welf. & Inst. Code § 1995(g).)

There are nine sections to the plan:

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Part 5: Facility Plan

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Part 9: Other Updates

PART 1: SUBCOMMITTEE COMPOSITION AND PROCESS (WELF. & INST. CODE §§ 1995 (B) AND (C))

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

Agency	Name and Title	Email	Phone Number
Chief Probation Officer (Chair)	Ryan Oliphant	roliphant@mariposacounty.org	(209) 966-3612
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Three Community Members (<i>defined as "individuals who have experience providing community-based youth services, youth justice advocates with expertise and knowledge of the juvenile justice system, or have been directly involved in the juvenile justice system"</i> (Welf. & Inst. Code § 1995(b).))	Megan Atkinson	matkinson@mariposasaferamilies.org	(209) 966-2211
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Additional Subcommittee Participants			
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Mariposa County Probation	Athena Land, Supervising PO	aland@mariposacounty.org	(209) 966-3612
Mariposa County Probation	Matt DiPirro, DPO III	mdipirro@mariposacounty.org	(209) 966-3612

Describe the process used to determine whether to select a co-chair for your subcommittee (Welf. & Inst. Code § 1995(b)): The subcommittee voted unanimously to keep the Chief Probation Officer as the sole Chairperson at the meeting on April 12, 2024.

Provide the dates of the last two meetings that the subcommittee convened to discuss your county's JJRBG plan?

Meeting Date 1: August 16, 2024

Meeting Date 2: April 2, 2025

Additional meeting dates of the subcommittee, if applicable:

August 22, 2025

Date that the subcommittee approved the plan by a majority vote.

April 2, 2025

Describe how the plan was developed, including the review and participation of the subcommittee community members as defined in Welf. & Inst. Code § 1995(b):

PART 2: TARGET POPULATION (WELF. & INST. CODE § 1995(D)(1))

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

The "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 or an offense described in Section 290.008 of the Penal Code." (Welf. & Inst. Code § 1990(b))

Targeted population will be:

1. Youth whose most recent adjudication offenses are described in WIC 707(b) and is defined under WIC 1990(b), in cases where Mariposa County Juvenile Court has made a true finding that less restrictive alternative dispositions are not appropriate.
2. Youth currently involved in the juvenile justice system in Mariposa County.
3. Youth considered at-risk of becoming involved in the juvenile justice system in Mariposa County.

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

Mariposa County has not had a Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) commitment since 2006. It is difficult to predict and or report any of the requirements of this section. We have and will continue to support programs that are best suited and appropriate for individuals and their families.

Funding will be utilized to contract with other California Probation Departments for SB 823 services if and when they are needed for that population of offender(s). Contracted services will target appropriate responsive needs for:

- (A) Mental health, sex offender treatment, or related behavioral or trauma-based needs.
- (B) Support programs or services that promote the healthy adolescent development.
- (C) Family engagement in programs.
- (D) Reentry, including planning and linkages to support employment, housing, and continuing education.
- (E) Evidence-based, promising, trauma-informed, and culturally responsive.
- (F) Whether and how the plan will include services or programs for realigned youth that are provided by nongovernmental or community-based providers.
- (G) Mariposa County will only utilize facilities that have included in their SB 823 Plans a detailed facility plan indicating which facilities will be used to house or confine realigned youth at varying levels of offense severity and treatment needs. Mariposa Probation Officers monitor to ensure the facilities used are safe and secure for all appropriately committed youth.
- (H) Mariposa County has not used the adult criminal justice system in the past to commit youthful offenders. We are strongly unified in our approach to finding community solutions that only use adult court as a last resort and only then when it offers the only option for protection of the community.

As noted, Mariposa County has not committed a youth to DJJ in 19 years. It is hoped that we will continue to refrain from needing those services. If and when that occurs, we will use the appropriate facility whose program outcome data best match our treatment plan needs. We will monitor and report on the measures being used, and use said data in our commitment and contracted services plan.

In addition, Mariposa County plans to use some of the grant funds to support local education and services that promote healthy adolescent development. In previous years, a portion of the grant funds was released to community-based organizations providing direct services to high-risk youth. Evidence-based programming was developed with the grant funds to prevent youth from entering or furthering into the juvenile justice system.

Describe the target population, disaggregated by programs, placements and/or facilities to which they have been referred.

Mariposa County has not had a juvenile offender in over 19 years that has fit the criterion for a Department of Juvenile Justice Commitment. We anticipate we will continue to be a low need user of long-term care services.

There is no record of a female juvenile offender from Mariposa ever being sent to a long-term commitment facility operated by the State.

Mariposa County will continue to contract with the Mother Lode Regional Juvenile Detention Facility (MLRJDF) in Tuolumne County for most of our lower-level rehabilitation services and programs. Should a more serious offender enter the local justice system, that facility would be used while the youth goes through the court process. Depending on the gravity and circumstance of the offense it may be necessary to contract with another county providing specialized detention programming.

PART 3: PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (WELF. & INST. CODE §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. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response (Welf. & Inst. Code §1995(D)(2) and (d)(8)):

Facility

Mariposa County Probation has a current contract for custodial beds with Tuolumne County to utilize their Mother Lode Regional Juvenile Detention Facility (MLRJDF) located in Sonora, California. Tuolumne County is operating a Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF) for the DJJ realigned population. Should the need arise for SYTF placement, Mariposa County already has an established relationship with MLRJDF and it is anticipated we could contract for long-term care.

Educational Programs

MLRJDF provides an on-site educational program through the Gold Ridge Education Center. Courses include language arts, social sciences, math, science, health, fine arts, foreign language, electives, and specialized educational services. In addition, they provide credit recovery services, an emphasis on project based learning, and academic tutoring. They also have a donated library and book club.

Evidence-Based Programs

Currently MLRJDF offers the following evidence-based programs: Boy's Council, Girl's Circle, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Aggression Replacement Training (ART), Motivational Interviewing, Interactive Journaling, Seeking Safety (treatment for youth with PTSD and co-occurring substance use disorder), Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DTB), and outdoor gardening programs.

Steps to Success Camp Program

"Steps to Success" is a secure commitment camp program for youth ages 15 to 18 with commitments of minimum of 60 days. All youth are afforded multiple opportunities to participate in core programming as well as physical education, mentoring, religious programming, sex and parent education, life and vocational skills, work program, furlough/home visitation, outside employment, enrollment in community college and community projects.

Health Services

MLRJDF will be responsible for medical and dental services.

Supervision

MLRJDF staff provide supervision and care for all youth in SYTF.

PART 4: JUVENILE JUSTICE REALIGNMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS (WELF. & INST. CODE §1995(D)(3))

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. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response: (Welf. & Inst. Code §1995(d)(3)(A) and (d)(8))

Mariposa County has received the SB 823 Block Grant minimum of \$250,000 per year. A budget unit was created in the Probation Department as recommended by the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Subcommittee and funds have been allocated in case there is a need for a contracted care of a youth needing long-term commitment services, including specialized treatment, behavioral health services, or sex offender treatment during fiscal year 2025-26. Mariposa County does not have a facility capable of long-term commits and thus will need to contract with a county that has the appropriate facility and services.

Describe how the County plans to apply grant funds to address support programs or services that promote healthy adolescent development for the target population. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response: (Welf. & Inst. Code §1995(d)(3)(B) and (d)(8))

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Describe how the County plans to apply grant funds to address family engagement in programs for the target population. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response: Welf. & Inst. Code §1995(d)(3)(C) and (d)(8))

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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. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response: (Welf. & Inst. Code §1995(d)(3)(D) and (d)(8))

Mariposa County has not had a DJJ commitment in 19 years. Reentry services have not been needed for the targeted population thus far. Should reentry services be needed, the Probation Department has a well-established relationship with local community-based organizations that have been providing services to youth for several decades. Additional layers of rehabilitative services and re-entry support can easily be added to the existing programs with funding from the DJJ Realignment.

- Ethos of Mariposa provides a youth “drop-in” center that supports positive change to youth culture. Some of the programs offered by Ethos include crisis intervention, individual and group counseling,

substance use disorder counseling, mentoring, life skills, safety planning, clothing and food, job assistance, resume building, assistance with obtaining ID's and birth certificates, transportation, and community engagement activities. Currently, DJJ realignment funds have supported the "Youth Thrive" program. Youth Thrive is a research-informed framework and action-oriented initiative designed to better promote healthy development and well-being for youth and young adults, ages 9 – 26 years. In addition, Ethos provides field trips to local colleges and universities, national parks, and California beaches.

- Mariposa Safe Families (MSF) empowers youth to enhance their lives and overall well being while discovering their own strengths and giving hope through relationships and authentic caring. Some of the programs offered by MSF include father and mother engagement, family engagement, mentoring, substance abuse prevention, Friday Night Live, and youth advisory groups.

Describe how the County plans to apply grant funds to address evidence-based, promising, trauma- informed and culturally responsive programs or services for the target population. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response: (Welf. & Inst. Code §1995(d)(3)(E) and (d)(8))

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Ethos Youth Center was selected to administer the "Next Step" Program which will support reintegration of youth returning from incarceration into their community. They will provide vital resources and case management services aimed at reducing the impact on primary justice-involved youth, secondary youth facing truancy issues, and tertiary youth dealing with substance use challenges.

Sierra Quest Human Services was selected to be funded for the "Vocational Training Through Experience" Program and the "Enhanced Employment Opportunities" Program. Both program with provide vital vocational training courses monthly and work experience to probation 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. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response: (Welf. & Inst. Code §1995(d)(3)(F) and (d)(8))

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PART 5: FACILITY PLAN (WELF & INST. CODE § 1995(D)(4))

Provide a detailed facility plan indicating which facilities will be used 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. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response: (Welf. & Inst. Code (d)(8))

Mariposa County currently has contracts with Tuolumne County and the Mother Lode Regional Juvenile Detention Facility for detention beds and will be exploring other facilities and programs as they are developed.

PART 6: RETAINING THE TARGET POPULATION IN THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM (WELF & INST. CODE § 1995(D)(5))

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. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response: (Welf. & Inst. Code (d)(8))

Mariposa County Probation is committed to the retention of youth within the Juvenile Justice System, in lieu of transfer to the Adult Criminal Justice System, and appropriate steps to avoid net widening. The transfer to the adult court system will be a last resort reserved for consideration in only the most serious and violent offenses. Mariposa County has already been highly successful at keeping youth in the juvenile court system. The last youth that was transferred to the adult court was approximately 19 years ago.

Mariposa County Probation uses a structured decision-making tool which guides Probation Officers to recommend the lowest level of intervention available under statutory guidelines which will provide the rehabilitation of the youth and safety of the community. Should there be a request for transfer to adult court, it will be reviewed by the Chief Probation Officer using a multi-agency process and creating a comprehensive continuum of services for the individual.

In addition, local community-based organizations will continue to provide rehabilitative services in an effort to keep all youth in the juvenile court jurisdiction or out of the juvenile delinquent system entirely. Intervention programs provided by Mariposa Ethos and Mariposa Safe Families include anger management, aggression replacement training (ART), Youth Thrive, substance use disorder (SUD) treatment, life skills, mentoring, and

individual counseling. Mental health services are primarily provided by Child Welfare and Health and Human Services.

As indicated in the above sections, in fiscal year 24/25, Mariposa County Probation is prepared to serve all youth who would have otherwise been committed to DJJ. Funding for specialized services that meet an individual's needs will incentivize keeping the youth within the juvenile court jurisdiction.

PART 7: REGIONAL EFFORT (WELF & INST. CODE § 1995(D)(6))

Describe any regional agreements or arrangements supported by the County's block grant allocation. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response: (Welf. & Inst. Code (d)(8))

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PART 8: DATA (WELF & INST. CODE § 1995(D)(7))

Describe how data will be collected on youth served by the block grant. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response:

Data will continue to be collected in the Probation Department's case management system and existing databases.

Describe outcome measures that will be utilized to measure or determine the results of programs and interventions supported by block grant funds. Describe any progress on this element since May 1, 2024, at the end of your response:

Performance and outcome measures will be developed to determine the results if and when a SYTF program is utilized. Local programming will be required to submit regular progress reports that will measure outcomes and overall success of the programs.

PART 9: OTHER UPDATES: DESCRIBE ANY PROGRESS ON ELEMENTS SINCE MAY 1, 2024: (WELF. & INST. CODE (D)(8))

Provide a description of progress made regarding any plan elements and any objectives and outcomes in the prior year's plan, to the extent that they have not already been described above.