

**TITLE II JUVENILE DELINQUENCY PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION
AND TRIBAL YOUTH GRANT PROJECTS
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Title II Delinquency Prevention and Intervention Grant Project Summaries

County: Alameda
Implementing Agency: Community Works West
Annual Grant Amount: \$300,000
Program Priority Areas: Diversion / Delinquency Prevention

Community Works West will expand its current Restorative Community Conferencing (RCC) program, a restorative justice program that offers a second chance to Alameda County youth charged with a felony-level crime. Before cases go to court, the RCC conference coordinators work with victims, caregivers, law enforcement, prosecutors, and concerned community members to develop a plan for charged youth to “do right” by victims, their families, the community and themselves. The approach builds self-esteem and helps youth develop a sense of empathy for their victims. Youth are supervised until they have completed all activities in their plan, at which time the case is closed; the original charges are never filed. The RCC program has demonstrated better outcomes than court processes, incarceration, and/or probation, as youth who participated in RCC showed lower reoffending rates when compared to adjudicated youth.

County: El Dorado
Implementing Agency: El Dorado County Probation Department
Annual Grant Amount: \$149,985
Program Priority Areas: Aftercare/Reentry

El Dorado County Probation Department, in partnership with New Morning Youth & Family Services and Tahoe Youth & Family Services, focuses Title II efforts on the design and implementation of an aftercare and reentry system for youth transitioning from the West Slope Juvenile Hall and the Juvenile Treatment Center in South Lake Tahoe back to their home communities. To reduce recidivism, promote long-term reentry success, and improve the quality of life for participating youth, the project provides a continuum of supervision and support services including: needs assessment for at-risk in-custody youth; youth counseling and supportive services while in custody; comprehensive transition plans prior to release; timely and accurate information to community providers; and ensuring youth are connected to, and enrolled in, supportive services in their communities upon release.

County: Fresno
Implementing Agency: Fresno County Probation Department
Annual Grant Amount: \$300,000
Program Priority Area: Aftercare/Reentry

Fresno County Probation Department will use Title II funds to enhance its current reentry transition services by implementing the Planned ReEntry Program (PREP) project. PREP adds two components to the department’s recidivism reduction efforts: a Social Work element to support the development of individual, achievable reentry case plans, and counseling to address coping skills and family issues; and a Parent-Partner piece to provide both in-custody and post-

custody support for families of targeted youth. The addition of the PREP project will provide for systematic and coordinated reentry support services for youth released from the Fresno County's Juvenile Justice Campus.

County: Los Angeles
Implementing Agency: Centinela Youth Services
Annual Grant Amount: \$299,996
Program Priority Areas: Delinquency Prevention / Diversion

Centinela Youth Services (CYS), in partnership with the Juvenile Arrest Diversion Program (JADP) Collaboration, the Los Angeles Police and Sheriff's Departments, and the Office of the District Attorney, will promote system improvements and address Racial and Ethnic Disparities (R.E.D.) by expanding the Every-Child Restorative Justice Center's JADP project to deliver direct intervention, diversion, and intensive case management services to an additional 1,000 youth in the South Los Angeles area. The project intervenes at the point of arrest to keep youth out of the justice system and provides evidence-based intervention, arrest diversion, restorative justice, and comprehensive clinical case management services. Additionally, the project partners, in consultation from the W. Haywood Burns Institute, will implement R.E.D. reduction strategies that include the refinement of decision-making tools for law enforcement when encountering juveniles, student/police dialogues, and data-driven evaluation protocols.

County: Monterey
Implementing Agency: California Youth Outreach
Annual Grant Amount: \$225,000
Program Priority Areas: Aftercare/Reentry

To address Monterey County's increasing population of certified and affiliated gang members, California Youth Outreach-Community Reentry Program (CYO-CRP) builds on existing infrastructure and strengths of the Monterey County Probation Department's Youth Center while fully developing a program for the Juvenile Hall. Working with moderate to high-risk juvenile offenders incarcerated at the Youth Center or the Juvenile Hall, CYO-CRP will provide: 1) intensive case management in all phases of the project; 2) *Thinking for a Change (T4C)* behavioral cognitive therapy groups during pre-release and aftercare; 3) one-on-ones using *Motivational Interviewing (MI)* during all project phases; 4) home visits and/or phone calls, as needed, during pre-release, reentry, and aftercare; 5) *Strengthening Family Program (SFP)* during pre-release and aftercare; and 6) coaching parents through reentry and crisis, as needed.

County: San Diego
Implementing Agency: North County Lifeline
Annual Grant Amount: \$297,000
Program Priority Areas: Delinquency Prevention

North County Lifeline will employ an Intensive Mentoring, Parent Advocacy, and Comprehensive Trauma-informed (IMPACT) services program to reduce juvenile offending. IMPACT offers an intensive client-centered, trauma-informed treatment program to youth at risk of arrest as a result of behavior problems at school, home, and/or the community, and to youth who have been

arrested for the first time (for most offenses). Direct services will be 3-tiered (Community, Youth, and Family Services) in alignment with a Community-Youth Development model. Racial and ethnic disparity will also be addressed by engaging appropriate youth from minority groups (Hispanic and African-American) that are disproportionately represented in San Diego's juvenile justice system. IMPACT's project design sets youth up for success by providing additional intensive services more expeditiously, and by resolving the underlying causes of their misbehavior, greatly increasing youths' ability to sustain success over the long-term.

County: San Diego
Implementing Agency: South Bay Community Services
Annual Grant Amount: \$300,000
Program Priority Areas: Alternatives to Detention

South Bay Community Services will address current gaps in the system by using two evidence-based mental health treatments for youth and their families in the San Diego County Probation Department (SDCPD) Alternatives to Detention (ATD) Program: 1) *Brief Strategic Family Therapy (BSFT)* and 2) *Trauma Affect Regulation: Guide for Education and Therapy (TARGET)*. The services that accompany these treatments will help youth and their families overcome challenges that exacerbate risk-taking behaviors and increase the likelihood of subsequent re-arrest. The project will also address racial and ethnic disparities in the juvenile justice system, particularly the overrepresentation of Latino youth, as the two mental health models were developed specifically for Latino families. The goals of the project are to reduce juvenile delinquency, improve family engagement and strengthen family supports, improve the juvenile justice system's efficacy, reduce racial and ethnic disparities, and improve outcomes for system-involved youth.

County: Santa Cruz
Implementing Agency: Santa Cruz County Probation
Annual Grant Amount: \$196,200 (partial award)
Program Priority Areas: Alternatives to Detention / Diversion

Santa Cruz County Probation Department's (SCCPD) Positive Outcomes through Diversion for Effective Results (PODER) project effectively collaborates with community partners to increase mental health services to youth on probation to minimize recidivism and address the overrepresentation of Latino youth in the juvenile justice system. PODER's four-year plan monitors and evaluates reduction in recidivism, builds individual and family capacity, and creates system improvements in Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparity (R.E.D.) strategies. The project's target population is youth in the City of Watsonville. SCCPD will partner with Pajaro Valley Prevention and Student Assistance to facilitate the provision of mental health services to probation youth participating in the Luna Evening Center, an alternative to detention site.

County: Santa Cruz
Implementing Agency: City of Watsonville Police Department
Annual Grant Amount: \$225,000
Program Priority Areas: Diversion, Disproportionate Minority Contact

The Caminos Hacia el Éxito Initiative (Pathways to Success) project uses evidence-based practices, strategies and restorative justice principles to reduce racial and ethnic disparity in the Santa Cruz County juvenile justice system. The project provides immediate responses, holds first time juvenile offenders accountable, and diverts youth to community-based services that include comprehensive treatment plans, restorative justice, parent training, family therapy, and mentoring to increase positive quality of life outcomes. The goals of the project are to reduce racial and ethnic disparity among youth being referred to probation, reduce recidivism through use of evidence-based and promising practices, to divert youth and improve positive behavior, and increase public safety.

County: Shasta
Implementing Agency: Shasta County Probation Department
Annual Grant Amount: \$146,938
Program Priority Areas: Aftercare/Reentry

Shasta County Probation Department will partner with Shasta County Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility (JRF), Providence International Garden of Hope (GOH), Shasta County Child Abuse Prevention Coordinating Council (CAPCC), and the Shasta County Office of Education to develop and sustain a reentry program for at-risk youth in detention and those youth on furlough or released to their parents/guardians. Youth will be mentored by staff from the GOH, a non-profit farm, and may receive direct services from CAPCC, as needed. The goal of GOH is to lower the re-offense rate by promoting prosocial activities, providing noncriminal alternative activities, and reducing association with criminals by enhancing positive involvement and relationships with prosocial individuals from the community. Youth will participate in hands-on life science activities and learn about business and financial concepts.

County: Sonoma
Implementing Agency: Restorative Resources
Annual Grant Amount: \$225,000
Program Priority Areas: Diversion

To keep students in school and address anti-social behavior before it results in criminal activity and entry into the juvenile justice system, Restorative Resources' Project Stand By Me provides diversion programming for approximately 400 fifth and sixth grade students annually (youth who have experienced discipline incidents significant enough to require school conferences) in six Sonoma County school districts. Through Project Stand By Me, Restorative Resources will provide age-appropriate restorative-based accountability circles, restorative conferences and classroom circles. The positive and restorative interventions will meet the goal of improved behavior and school engagement, and will help students avoid more severe school infractions, as well as potential entry into the juvenile criminal justice system, when youth enter their teen years.

Title II – Tribal Youth Grant Project Summaries

County: El Dorado
Implementing Agency: Shingle Springs Rancheria Miwok Tribe
Annual Grant Amount: \$120,000
Program Priority Areas: American Indian Program

The Shingle Springs Rancheria Miwok Tribe will implement the Tribal Youth Probation Program (TYPP), staffed by a youth probation officer whose singular focus is to provide rehabilitative measures that incorporate the cultural practices of the Miwok community to at-risk and system involved youth. The TYPP addresses juvenile delinquency and truancy problems among tribal families by increasing the capacity of the tribal justice system. The project provides rehabilitative-focused supervision of probation terms and court ordered case plans, diversion opportunities, cultural assessments, educational opportunities, drug treatment services, compliance incentives, and job training. El Dorado County Superior Court and the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians launched a joint-jurisdictional juvenile court to bring together tribal and county services in one unified proceeding, therefore continuing the partnership of the TYPP and the Court to address the needs of Miwok youth in the juvenile justice system.

County: Butte
Implementing Agency: Mechoopda Indian Tribe of Chico Rancheria
Grant Amount: \$120,000
Program Priority Areas: American Indian Program

The Mechoopda Indian Tribe of Chico Rancheria project focuses on interventions for court-involved youth to reduce, control, and prevent crime and delinquency among tribal youth. Since 2012, the Tribe has offered tutoring, counseling, and mentoring services under the *One-on-One Mentoring Program*. The Mechoopda Tribe will expand and enhance its existing mentoring program by serving 150 at-risk Native American youth ages 5-17 in Butte County. The project will incorporate *Gathering of Native Americans* (GONA) principles and improve data collection between the Tribe and the collaborative partners: North Valley Indian Health, Four Winds School, and the Four Winds Office of Indian Education. The overall goal of the project is to reduce juvenile delinquency, drug abuse, truancy, and other high-risk behaviors among youth ages 5 to 17 by providing evidence-based mentoring services.