

(2021-2022) Annual Plan

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Instructions:

Government Code Section 30061(b)(4) and Welfare & Institution Code Section 1961(b) call for consolidation of the annual plans required for JJCPA and YOBG.

Please submit your most up-to-date consolidated plan. The following is a standardized template for a consolidated county plan. If you find it helpful to use this template, please do so. Each field must be completed before submitting your plan to the BSCC. If you have nothing to report for a field, please indicate 'N/A'. At the end of the template please press the 'Submit' button to be recorded with the BSCC. Your work will be saved each time you log in, if you need to make any edits.

Your Submission will be posted, as submitted, to the BSCC website.kimwills@co.modoc.ca.us

If you have any questions on completing your annual plan, or wish to use your own plan, please email:

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Juvenile Justice Plan

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**Part I. Service Needs, Priorities & Strategy
(Government Code Section 30061(b)(4)(A))**

A. Assessment of Existing Services

Include here an assessment of existing law enforcement, probation, education, mental health, health, social services, drug and alcohol, and youth services resources that specifically target at-risk juveniles, juvenile offenders, and their families.

In a collaborative effort, the Modoc County Probation Department works together with other county agencies, state agencies, and community based organizations (CBOs) along with families to ensure any at-risk youth in the community receive the services they need to succeed. This collaboration is an effort between the Probation Department, Modoc County Sheriff's Office, Alturas Police Department, California Highway Patrol, Behavioral Health, Public Health, Social Services, multiple school districts, the courts and CBOs such as T.E.A.C.H, local churches, local tribes, families and more. Youth and their families can be referred to the juvenile probation officer, outpatient/dual diagnosis/prevention counseling, medication support, The Drug and Alcohol Diversion Program, The Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Treatment Court, Courts, Anger Management, Strengthening Families, School Attendance Review Board, Community Service Program, Child and Family Team meeting, Foster Care, Dual Jurisdiction County (241.1), and Therapeutic Behavioral Services.

Describe what approach will be used to facilitate collaboration among the organizations listed above and support the integration of services.

In Modoc County, collaboration is second nature to the agencies noted above. Every effort to ensure an "at risk" youth is provided services is taken by each agency involved. An example of the collaborative efforts includes the Collaborative Courts Steering Committee which ensures the Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Treatment Court, Adult Drug Court, Mental Health Court, and Domestic Violence Court operate within their bylaws. The steering committee meets as needed when a bylaw, program, or law may impact how the program needs to be implemented. The specialty court team members meet with the Steering Committee members to discuss how to make appropriate changes if any. In addition to the Steering Committee, the Department Heads meet quarterly and the Law Enforcement leaders meet monthly.

B. Identifying and Prioritizing Focus Areas

Identify and prioritize the neighborhoods, schools, and other areas of the county that face the most significant public safety risk from juvenile crime.

Modoc County is situated in the North East corner of California. The county is large geographically with a population under 10,000. Many families lack the support and services to provide the basic needs of youth, including housing, food, transportation, education support, employment, etc. Many youth are removed or detained due to circumstances in the home that directly affect their compliance, behavior and overall stability. The majority of the youth are found within the city of Alturas, with the remaining youth in the unincorporated areas of Cedarville, Adin, Newell and Tulelake. Modoc County is relatively poor in comparison to the rest of California. Due to the large geographical area, access to services is limited to mostly county based providers and a few community based organizations. There is a significant problem with regard to drug use and violence related offenses. Rather than focusing on specific areas within the county, services are aimed county wide as it relates to juvenile crime.

C. Juvenile Justice Action Strategy

Describe your county's juvenile justice action strategy. Include an explanation of your county's continuum of responses to juvenile crime and delinquency as well as a description of the approach used to ensure a collaborative and integrated approach for implementing a system of swift, certain, and graduated responses for at-risk youth and juvenile offenders.

Modoc County Probation Department's plan consists of a balanced approach utilizing graduated sanctions to effectively address delinquent behavior. Most youth in Modoc are diverted from the court process, never go to a detention center, and never repeat their behavior. The Probation Department prefers not to send our youth to a detention and rehabilitation center if they are able to be monitored closely on home supervision and/or electronic monitoring while keeping the safety of the community, the victim, and the youth in mind. Once a youth is declared a ward, the probation department uses a validated risk/needs assessment and youth are supervised according to their score and referred to a variety of local programs to prevent further entry into the juvenile justice system. Another part of Modoc County Probation Department's plan is implemented when a youth needs to be detained in a detention center for the safety of the community. Because Modoc is so remote, it takes transportation officers between 3-5 hours for a one way trip. Youth who have been detained, released and continue to be "at risk", are referred to the Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Treatment Court. Should the youth's delinquent behavior continue, every effort is made to find appropriate local foster care. If nothing can be located to fit the youth's needs and address their risks, the probation officer will then look out of the area.

D.Comprehensive Plan RevisionsDescribe how your Plan has been updated for this year.

Our plan is working and was updated last year to include youth between the ages of 18 and 23 years old. In the past five years, we have significantly reduced the number of youth in foster care and juvenile facilities. Adjustments to our plan this year only include changes in the number of officers working with youth. The increase in numbers will allow for a team approach. We are continuing to work with youth beyond their 18th birthday and we are meeting the needs of the youth, victims, and families in Modoc County.

If your Plan has not been updated this year, explain why no changes to your plan are necessary.

At this time the Department will continue to work with the plan from the year prior with the noted minor changes to improve services across Modoc County.

**Part II. Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA)
(Government Code Section 30061(b)(4))**

A. Information Sharing and Data Describe your information systems and their ability to facilitate the sharing of data across agencies within your county. Describe the data obtained through these systems and how those data are used to measure the success of juvenile justice programs and strategies.

The department utilizes JustWare as a case management system . This is the primary means of sharing information internally. For allied law enforcement agencies, probation specific information such as conditions of probation are accessible via a read only format. An On-Call probation officer is available for juvenile detention matters 24/7, however, they can also be contacted for questions related to specific youth.

B. Juvenile Justice Coordinating Councils

Does your county have a fully constituted Juvenile Justice Council (JJCC) as prescribed by Welfare & institutions Code 749.22?

yes

If no, please list the current vacancies that exist on your JJCC, when those vacancies occurred, and your plan for filling them.

N/A

C. Funded Programs, Strategies and/or System Enhancements

JJCPA Funded Program(s), Strategy and/or System Enhancement

Below are JJCPA funded programs reported by the county.

Program Name:

Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Treatment Court

Evidence Upon Which It is Based:

The JDPTC came about first as an intensive Drug Court Program but quickly developed into an intensive team approach for youth who needed a regular court/team meeting. There is no evidence based programming other than the known successes of a team approach similar to a youth/drug/mental health court would offer.

Description:

The Modoc County Probation Department uses funds to support youth in the Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Treatment Court which includes partners from local law enforcement, Behavioral Health, Public Health, Social Services and the Courts. This is the seventh year this program has been operating. It serves medium and high risk youth but mostly high risk youth.

**Part III. Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG)
(Welfare & Institutions Code Section 1961(a))**

A. Strategy for Non-707(b) Offenders

Describe your county's overall strategy for dealing with non-707(b) youthful offenders who are not eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Justice. Explain how this Plan relates to or supports that strategy.

The Department evaluates non-707(b) offenders on a case by case basis taking into account the youth's prior history, circumstances of offense(s), nature of offense(s), victim injury and restitution, and safety of the public, etc. This Department also frequently staffs incoming referrals with the District Attorney's Office in order to further facilitate collaborative efforts. The Department has a variety of levels of intervention, which include youth becoming involved with Juvenile Delinquency Prevention and Treatment Court.

B. Regional Agreements

Describe any regional agreements or arrangements to be supported with YOBG funds.

N/A

YOBG Funded Program(s), Placement, Service, Strategy and/or System Enhancement

Below are YOBG funded programs reported by the county.

Program Name:

Resources for Juvenile Support

Evidence Upon Which It is Based:

N/A

Description:

The Modoc County Probation Department uses some of the funds to pay half the salary of two full-time Juvenile Probation Officers. The on-call salary is also paid utilizing these funds, as on-call duties pertain to being available to address juveniles who commit law violations.

Program Name:

Alcohol and Drug Monitoring

Evidence Upon Which It is Based:

Description:

The Modoc Probation Department uses funds to support continuous Electronic Alcohol Monitoring devices for youth with alcohol addictions or where alcohol was a factor in their offense. The devices being used this year are from SCRAM.