

**Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant**  
**Addendum**

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The following are modifications and/or supplements to our annual plan:

**Part 3: Programs and Services**

The Cultural Competency Committee (CCC) consists of Colusa County Behavioral Health (CCBH) staff and other agency partners such as Colusa County Probation and Colusa County Health and Human Services. The CCC meets monthly to address cultural humility. The CCC is dedicated to ensure services provided to youth are delivered in a culturally appropriate manner. This is accomplished by discussing and addressing cultural humility training opportunities as well as brainstorming creative ways to instill cultural humility practices. The CCC also serves to carry out items addressed in the CCBH Cultural Competency Plan (CCP). The CCC is led by the Ethnic Services Manager who is also the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Coordinator.

**Part 5: Facility Plan**

*Facility improvements to accommodate Secure Track Youth:*

The Tri-County Youth Rehabilitation Campus is located in Marysville, California, providing services to the counties of Yuba, Sutter, and Colusa. Juvenile Hall is a 60 bed facility for youth of all genders. Maxine Singer Youth Guidance Center, "Camp Singer", is a 48 male bed minimum-security facility and a 12 bed female minimum-security facility developed as an alternative to out of home placements and long-term commitments to Juvenile Hall.

The Secured Housing Unit (SHU) is a maximum-security facility, sits adjacent to the Juvenile Hall, and contains 15 of beds (seven rooms with two beds each and one room with a single bed). We anticipate that DJJ realigned youth (Secure Track) will initially be housed in the SHU. We know from analyses of our juvenile data that over 50% of youth we have served in the past have childhood trauma scores of four or more, and that these scores predict behaviors requiring intense trauma-focused therapeutic efforts. Our data indicates this has been particularly true for youth committed to DJJ, and we recognize the need for trauma-focused approaches in order to provide optimal intervention strategies.

Therefore, we applied for, and were awarded, funding through the BSCC Infrastructure grant to utilize grant funds to transform the SHU from a severe institutional setting, into a domain where Secure Track Youth will have an improved, calming, less stressful, more rehabilitative environment particularly conducive to addressing behaviors arising from effects of childhood trauma. Regulating environments consist of warm colors, should have some natural artistic appeal, and comfortable seating. The proposed improvements will provide SHU occupants with calm music, sunlight, a generally more pleasant environment, and increased opportunities for therapeutic interventions.

Most of these youth have a lengthy history of delinquent behavior, trauma, and lack of prosocial supports. These youth also pose more risk to the community and require a higher level of security and intensive services/programming. The SHU provides this level of security and keeps them separated from the younger, less sophisticated population. The infrastructure upgrades will optimize our ability to provide trauma-based therapies.

The length of stay will vary as long-term higher-risk youth transition from the SHU, to Juvenile Hall, and ultimately back to the community through Camp Singer.

#### *Programs and Services:*

All potential Secure Track Youth are assessed by a Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) in conjunction with the development of the Youth's Individual Rehabilitation Plan. Team members include the Deputy Probation Officer; Therapist; Intervention Counselor; Juvenile Corrections Officers; Education staff; Community Partners; and Medical staff as needed. The MDT develops a recommended plan for the Youth, and their Parent/Guardian, which addresses their Criminogenic needs. The plan is presented to the Juvenile Court Judge for consideration and implementation. The MDT meets bi-weekly to discuss each Youth's progress. Our Institutions offer a wide array of individualized and group programming parallel to our Behavior Management Program and facility wide use of Positive Behavior Intervention Supports (PBIS). Program lengths vary but our programs include:

Drug and Alcohol Education; Behavioral Health Therapy; Gang Awareness; Life Skills; Individual Counseling; Family Counseling; Aggression Replacement Therapy (ART); Bereavement; Parenting Skills and Support Group; Youth Support Groups; Girls Circle; Mentoring; Restorative Justice; Food Service Preparation; Gardening; Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT); Human Trafficking; Moral Reconciliation Therapy (MRT); Power

Source; Musical Arts; Physical Fitness Training; CPR Certification Training; and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Journaling.

A Youth's behavior, performance, and participation in programming determines their ability to step down into less restrictive environments such as the Camp Singer program. Once a Youth is accepted into the Camp Singer program, they will have opportunities to participate in off campus activities such as Career Technical Education (CTE) offerings; Employment Training; College Courses; Field Trips; Community Service/Events; Pro-Social Activities; and Furloughs to assist with their transition back into the community.

*Youth Classification:*

All Youth are assessed upon intake into Juvenile Hall to determine security and health risks so that appropriate supervision, temporary holding, and housing assignments may be made. There is no separate classification system for Secure Track Youth.