

Juvenile Probation Department Release of Reserved Funds Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant - \$794,598 File No. 211282

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DJJ Realignment

- SB 823 & SB 92 shift responsibility and funding to the counties for the custody, care, and supervision of youth who would have otherwise been eligible for the Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), California's youth prisons. Intake at DJJ stopped July 1, 2021.
 - State mandated JJCC subcommittee, chaired by Probation Chief, responsible for developing county plan and allocation of realigned funds (Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant).
 - San Francisco's subcommittee submitted its plan to the state on December 27, 2021.
- Adjusts the Age of Jurisdiction: Extended to 21, 23, or 25, depending on offense.
 - On average, in 2021, 36% of the Juvenile Hall Daily Population was 18 and older, as compared to 12.5% in 2020.
- New JPD functions include:
 - Care and custody of youth committed to SYTF & TAY detained in Juvenile Hall as a result of SB 823
 - Implementing programming and strategies identified by the DJJ Realignment Subcommittee
 - Managing annual Juvenile Justice Realignment Block Grant, including investing in community based services
 - Data collection and reporting

JJRBG Year One Investment Considerations

- With the closure of DJJ and realignment of state functions to the counties, San Francisco has a
 new obligation to provide long term secure housing for youth/young adults who previously would
 have been committed to the state.
- Currently two young people committed to Secure Youth Treatment Facility (SYTF) with 5-7 year terms.
 - Court has identified essential individualized programming and services that are not currently offered in Juvenile Hall
 - Young people have identified interests and goals that cannot be met with programming and services currently offered in the Juvenile Hall
- DJJ Realignment Subcommittee has identified supporting **personalized programming for SYTF** commitments as a priority investment area for JJRBG funds.
- Collective training of all system stakeholders identified by Subcommittee and Labor as a priority investment area to ensure that everyone works together to support this population of young people.

JJRBG Year One Investment Considerations

- JJRBG funding also serves *all young people with sustained petitions for 707(b) offenses,* regardless of whether the court has ordered them to wardship probation, out of home placement, or the SYTF. The DJJ Realignment Subcommittee identified the following programs and services as priority investment areas for this population:
 - Credible messenger life coaches: Specific and intentional mentorship and life coaching services
 delivered by people with similar lived experiences of the young people in our system. San Francisco will
 support credible messenger life coaches to work with all young people in the realignment population
 regardless of whether they are on probation, in out of home placement, or committed to a term of
 incarceration.
 - Whole Family Support & Direct Funding to Young People and Their Families: Includes multiple layers of system navigation and support for families with loved ones in the realignment population, regardless of whether their loved one is on probation, in an out of home placement, or committed to a term of incarceration. Services will include peer family navigators, family wellness activities and programming, among others as well as direct support for young people and their families for basic and emergent needs of youth and their families, such as tools and supplies for work, books for school, transportation assistance, etc.