

California's approach to addressing the overrepresentation of youth of color involved in the justice system serves as a key example of how a state with an enormous and highly diverse youth population has crafted a leadership approach for reducing racial/ethnic disparities and invested funds to make such efforts attainable both locally and at the state level.

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Stakeholder Knowledge

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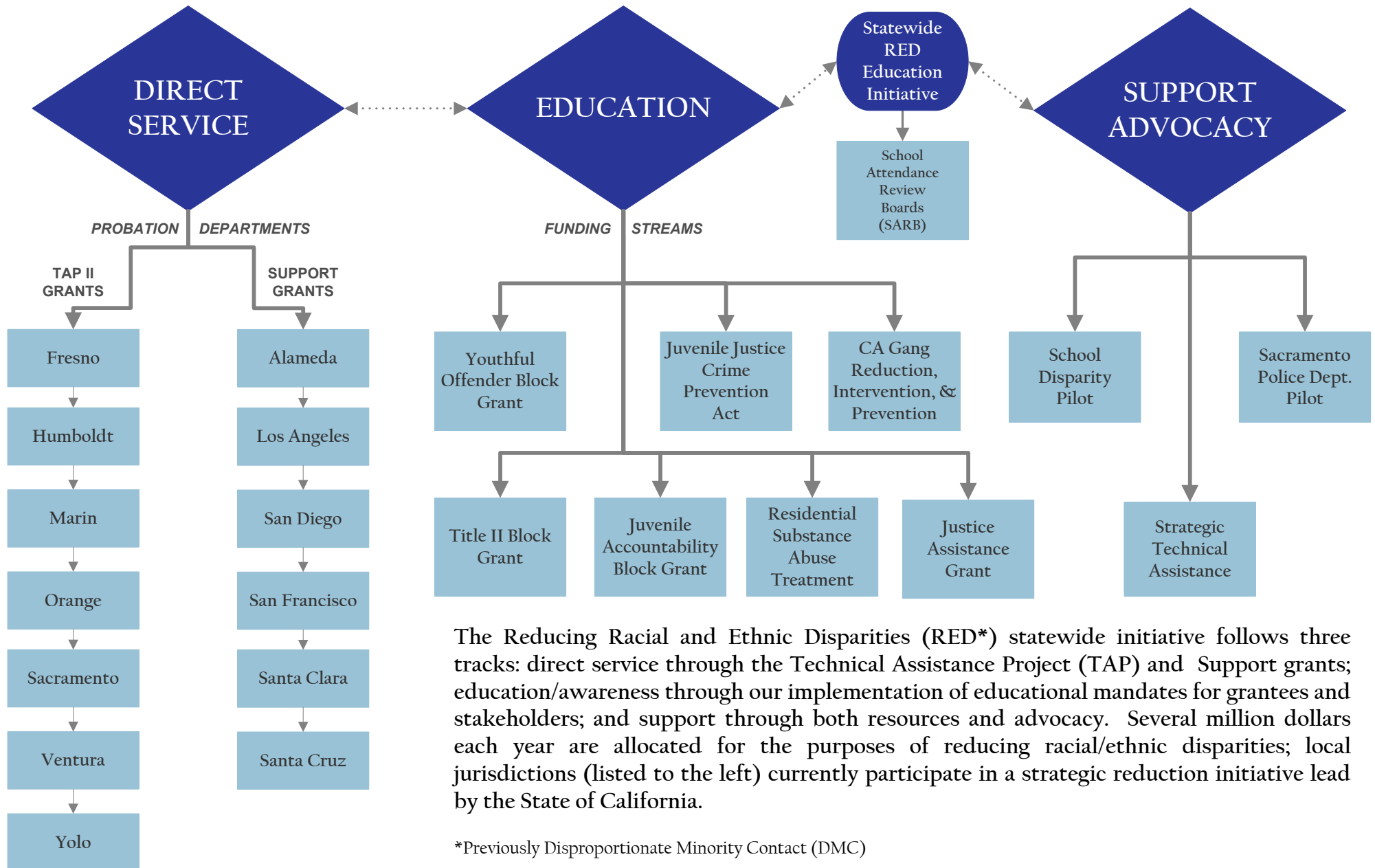
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Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities



*The solutions rest
in all of our hands.*
- W. Haywood Burns Institute

CALIFORNIA'S MULTI-FACETED DISPARITY/DISPROPORTIONALITY REDUCTION APPROACH



The Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities (RED*) statewide initiative follows three tracks: direct service through the Technical Assistance Project (TAP) and Support grants; education/awareness through our implementation of educational mandates for grantees and stakeholders; and support through both resources and advocacy. Several million dollars each year are allocated for the purposes of reducing racial/ethnic disparities; local jurisdictions (listed to the left) currently participate in a strategic reduction initiative lead by the State of California.

*Previously Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC)