

STRATEGY FOR REALIGNED YOUTH

Welfare & Institutions Code Section 1961(a)(3) requires each county to provide a description of how its Juvenile Justice Development Plan relates to or supports its overall strategy for dealing with youthful offenders who have not committed an offense described in WIC 707(b) or PC 290.008 and are no longer eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Justice facilities. In the spaces below provide the requested information concerning your strategy for dealing with non-707(b) offenders.

1. Does your county have a strategy for dealing with non-707(b) offenders?
2. If yes, briefly describe your strategy for dealing with non-707(b) offenders and note any differences in how you provide for these offenders versus other offenders. Please include a description of any evidence based practices that are incorporated into your strategy. (Limit response to space provided.)

Inyo County currently only has one option for youth who have not committed an offense described in WIC 707(b) or PC 290.008 and are not eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Justice Facilities and that option is the Inyo County Juvenile Center. The commitment program will be comprised of several existing programs such as the Boys Town program, educational programs, life skills, and recreational programs. The program will require extensive family involvement, mental health involvement, and substance abuse counseling. While in the program the minor will have the opportunity to earn privileges and levels in an effort to prepare him/her to return to the community. If needed, the minor will have the opportunity to leave the facility to engage in family counseling and/or mental health counseling. Job readiness training and eventually temporary job placement will be a component of the program and will be offered to the minor when he/she is ready to take on such responsibility. As the minor progresses through the program, he/she will have the opportunity for short-term home furloughs. This strategy is different as these minors will have longer commitments to our local Juvenile Center. Due to the extended length in the Juvenile Center, the minors will have the opportunity to participate in enhanced life skills and job skills services. The program will provide for consistent, and stable individual counseling as well as family counseling.

3. If you answered "no" to #1, describe your plans to develop a strategy for dealing with non-707(b) offenders. (Limit your response to the space provided.)