Juvenile Justice Plan

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Part I. Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act

- A. Please provide a copy of your most recent Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan.
- B. For any new program, strategy and/or system enhancement that is not already included in your Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan but will now be supported with funding from the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA), provide a name and description below. For each program, strategy or system enhancement that will now be funded through the JJCPA program, identify the body of evidence that demonstrates its effectiveness at reducing delinquency and addressing juvenile crime.

The template below should be copied as many times as needed in order to capture every new program, strategy and/or system enhancement to be funded by JJCPA.

Name of the new program, strategy or system enhancement:

Family Violence Prevention

Evidence upon which the new program, strategy, or system enhancement is based:

Aggression Replacement Training is an evidence based practice found to be effective in reduction in felony recidivism, improved social skills and a reduction in problem behavior among participants. It is listed on Crimesolutions.gov and other evidence based clearinghouses with top ratings.

Research shows that youth in the justice system are much more likely than the population at large to have had adverse childhood experiences, trauma and abuse. These experiences can lead to behavior problems and mental health symptoms if not unaddressed. Youth on Probation who have a history of trauma are able to access individual counseling via two different service providers. One of the providers specializes in sexual abuse counseling and other provider offers trauma-focused cognitive behavioral therapy, an evidence based intervention.

Description of the program, strategy or system enhancement:

This service includes a diverse array of violence prevention and intervention services. The Department contracts with several community based organizations to delivers services to youth on probation in the community and in custody. Programs include the following.

Aggression Replacement Training: Youth assessed as high risk to reoffend will complete the 30-hour evidence-based curriculum that addresses social skills, moral reasoning, and management of emotions.

Trauma counseling: Youth on Probation who have a history of trauma are able to access individual counseling via two different service providers. One of the providers specializes in sexual abuse counseling and other provider offers trauma-focused

cognitive behavioral therapy, with the ability to also provide resource assistance (assistance to families in securing tangible resources) or parent education on an as needed basis.

Other services focused on violence prevention and healthy relationships with families and with peers include Healthy Relationships, My Strength, Teen Assault Prevention Project Workshops and Diversity Workshops. Healthy Relationships and My Strength are 8 week group program that address topics such as sexual harassment, teen dating violence, family dynamics, communication skills, body image, alternative definitions of masculinity, and sexual assault prevention. Teen Assault Prevention Project Workshops are one hour workshops focused on addressing sexual assault and issues of consent. Diversity workshops are one hour workshops focused developing an understanding of the many differences among peoples, and the importance of understanding, accepting and honoring these differences.

Name of the new program, strategy or system enhancement:

Gang Risk Intervention and Suppression

Evidence upon which the new program, strategy, or system enhancement is based:

Studies have shown community supervision and intensive supervision to be promising practices in reducing juvenile recidivism. The Gang Risk Intervention and Suppression program uses principles from the research shown to be most effective in the field of community supervision—the program addresses the principles of risk, need, treatment and fidelity. Officers use evidence-based risk/needs assessment tools in order to determine the level of risk for re-offending and to target resources to higher-risk offenders, and to match intensity of services and supervision to level of risk. The tools allow staff to identify criminogenic needs, protective factors, barriers and drivers. This information is used to develop individualized case plans. Case plans set "SMART" goals and identify interventions, supervision strategies and treatment programs that are appropriate to the offender's strengths and needs. Officers use motivational interviewing and Effective Practices In Community Supervision (EPICS) when working with gang involved youth.

Description of the program, strategy or system enhancement:

This program funds three armed officers provide intensive supervision to youth on Probation with gang ties. The goal is to educate youth about gang culture and risks, alternative choices and behaviors, resources to support healthier choices, tools to develop a positive meaningful life and an overall increased awareness of self and others in order to become positive contributing members of the community. Youth who have gang conditions affiliated with their probation are assigned to a specialized gang caseload with an armed probation officer. The officer works closely with local community based organization and law enforcement to ensure community safety and rehabilitate gang entrenched youth.

Name of the new program, strategy or system enhancement:

Substance Abuse Treatment Program

Evidence upon which the new program, strategy, or system enhancement is

based:

Properly assessing criminogenic needs and risk factors and conducting follow up assessment on identified needs prior to assigning an appropriate level of treatment is considered critical to the success of correctional programs. Most recently the University Cincinnati Correctional Institute has been developing and validating a program assessment tool which identifies substance use assessment (if substance use treatment is being provided as part of the program) as an important program component.

Description of the program, strategy or system enhancement:

Probation will be partnering with our County Health Department for the assessment and referral of youth to substance abuse programming. Improved substance abuse assessment and referrals will help Probation identify where resources for substance abuse programming are most needed for youth on Probation.

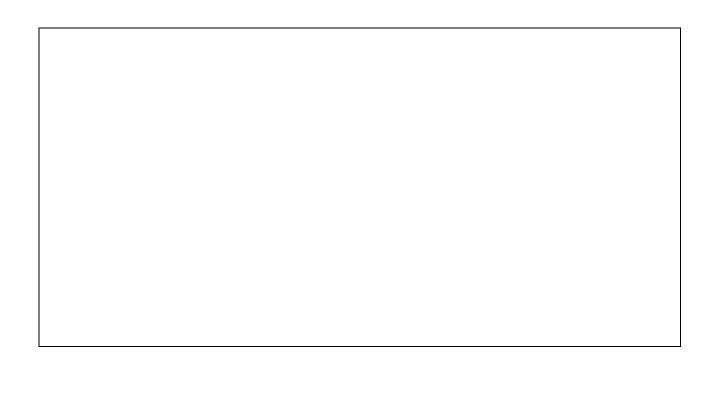
Part II. Youthful Offender Block Grant

A. Please provide a copy of your most recent Juvenile Justice Development Plan.

B. For any new program, placement, service, strategy, and/or system enhancement that is not included in your Juvenile Justice Development Plan but will now be funded through the Youthful Offender Block Grant (YOBG) program, provide a name and description below. For each one, explain how they complement or coordinate with the programs, strategies and/or system enhancements to be funded through the JJCPA program.

The template below should be copied as many times as needed in order to capture every new program, strategy and/or system enhancement to be funded by YOBG.

Name of the new program, placement, service, strategy or system enhancement:
Description of how this complements or coordinates with your JJCPA funded programs, strategies or system enhancements:
Description of the new program, placement, service, strategy or system enhancement:



Part III. Governing Statutes

A. The Government Code sections pertaining to the Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan required under JJCPA are included below. (Please note that this document does not include all of the statutes governing the JJCPA program, only those related to the Comprehensive Multiagency Juvenile Justice Plan. To see the full set of requirements related to this program please go to http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/ and pull up Government Code section 30061 in its entirety.)

Government Code Section 30061(b)(4) Fifty percent to the county or city and county to implement a comprehensive multiagency juvenile justice plan as provided in this paragraph. The juvenile justice plan shall be developed by the local juvenile justice coordinating council in each county and city and county with the membership described in Section 749.22 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. The plan shall be reviewed and updated annually by the council. The plan or updated plan may, at the discretion of the county or city and county, be approved by the county board of supervisors. The plan or updated plan shall be submitted to the Board of State and Community Corrections by May 1 of each year in a format specified by the board that consolidates the form of submission of the annual comprehensive juvenile justice multiagency plan to be developed under this chapter with the form for submission of the annual Youthful Offender Block Grant plan that is required to be developed and submitted pursuant to Section 1961 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

- (A) The multiagency juvenile justice plan shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following components:
- (i) 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.
- (ii) An identification and prioritization of the neighborhoods, schools, and other areas in the community that face a significant public safety risk from juvenile crime, such as gang activity, daylight burglary, late-night robbery, vandalism, truancy, controlled substances sales, firearm-related violence, and juvenile substance abuse and alcohol use.
- (iii) A local juvenile justice action strategy that provides for a continuum of responses to juvenile crime and delinquency and demonstrates a collaborative and integrated approach for implementing a system of swift, certain, and graduated responses for at-risk youth and juvenile offenders.
- (iv) A description of the programs, strategies, or system enhancements that are proposed to be funded pursuant to this subparagraph.

- (B) Programs, strategies, and system enhancements proposed to be funded under this chapter shall satisfy all of the following requirements:
- (i) Be based on programs and approaches that have been demonstrated to be effective in reducing delinquency and addressing juvenile crime for any elements of response to juvenile crime and delinquency, including prevention, intervention, suppression, and incapacitation.
- (ii) Collaborate and integrate services of all the resources set forth in clause (i) of subparagraph (A), to the extent appropriate.
- (iii) Employ information sharing systems to ensure that county actions are fully coordinated, and designed to provide data for measuring the success of juvenile justice programs and strategies.
- B. The Welfare & Institutions Code sections pertaining to the Juvenile Justice Development Plan required under YOBG are included below. (Please note that this document does not include all of the statutes governing the YOBG program, only those related to the Juvenile Justice Development Plan. To see the full set of requirements related to this program please go to http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/ and pull up Welfare & Institutions Code sections 1950-62.)

Welfare & Institutions Code Section 1961(a) On or before May 1 of each year, each county shall prepare and submit to the Board of State and Community Corrections a Juvenile Justice Development Plan on its proposed programs, strategies, and system enhancements for the next fiscal year from the Youthful Offender Block Grant Fund described in Section 1951. The plan shall include all of the following:

- (1) A description of the programs, placements, services, strategies, and system enhancements to be funded by the block grant allocation pursuant to this chapter, including, but not limited to, the programs, tools, and strategies outlined in Section 1960.
- (2) A description of how the plan relates to or supports the county's overall strategy for dealing with youthful offenders who have not committed an offense described in subdivision (b) of Section 707, and who are no longer eligible for commitment to the Division of Juvenile Facilities under Section 733 as of September 1, 2007.
- (3) A description of any regional agreements or arrangements to be supported by the block grant allocation pursuant to this chapter.
- (4) A description of how the programs, placements, services, or strategies identified in the plan coordinate with multiagency juvenile justice plans and programs under paragraph (4) of subdivision (b) of Section 30061 of the Government Code.