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OCCJCC Meeting

April 17, 2026
County Administration South
Conference Center



Agenda

- I. Call to Order/Introductions/Opening Remarks
- II. Approval of Minutes March 20, 2026
- III. Approval of OCCJCC Bylaws
- IV. Discussion: Leveraging Community Partners
- V. Data & Metric Report
- VI. General Updates
- VII. OCCJCC Comments
- VIII. Public Comments

Leveraging Community Partners

PREVENTION

COURTS



IN-CUSTODY

REENTRY

- School programs
- Peer programs
- BH Care programs
- OC Care Campuses
- OCSD BH Bureau
- Sobering Stations
- MDT
- CAT & PERT
- O&E
- CIT Trained Officers

- Wrap Services
- Care Management
- Court Supervision
- Care Court
- Intervention Court (pending)

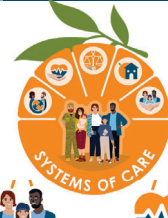
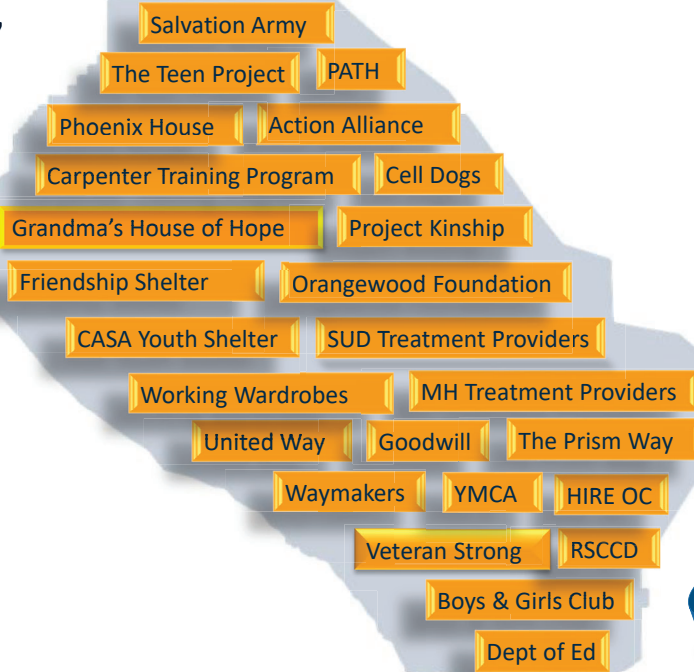
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- Education programs
- Peer mentorships
- BH Care programs
- Care Management

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- Workforce programs
- Housing Assistance
- Benefit Assistance
- Education programs
- Peer mentorships
- BH Care programs
- MDT



Providers, Partners, & Opportunities

OCCICC



Returning Home Foundation

Between the Lines

The Phoenix

FIR4E

Human Works Foundation

Risen Warriors

The BreakOff

Neutral Ground

RiseHyre

Credible Messenger Youth Prevention

The Purpose of Recovery

Arts OC



Gaps & Opportunities Discussion

OCCICC

Community Based Organization Panelist



CAROL CARLSON
PROGRAM DIRECTOR, WAYMAKERS



LUIS JIMENEZ
GRANDMA'S HOUSE OF HOPE



TED FUENTES
FOUNDER, VETERAN STRONG USA



MEGHAN MEDLIN
FOUNDER/CEO, HIRE





OC Cares 2025 Vision Performance and Metrics Report: Juvenile and TAY Pillar

Friday, April 17, 2026

OC Cares Report 2025

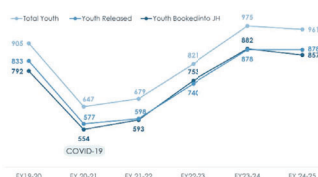
Data At-A-Glance Pillar V Juvenile & TAY

Facility Population

Total Youth:
Unduplicated count of youth that were in a juvenile facility during the fiscal year.

Youth Released:
Unduplicated count of youth that were released from a juvenile facility during the fiscal year.

Youth Booked into Juvenile Hall:
Unduplicated count of youth that were booked into Juvenile Hall (JH) during the fiscal year.



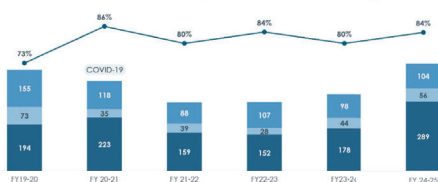
Youth Court-Ordered to Formal Probation



Note: Transfer-in youth from other counties are not included in this graph. "Total youth" is an unduplicated count of youth court-ordered to formal probation during the fiscal year. "Total 707(b) youth" is a subset of "total youth." It is the number of youth with at least one sustained 707(b) felony offense. There is no restriction of age at offense or age of adjudication for the 707(b) youth.

Successful Completion of Probation Sentences

■ Successful Completion ■ Unsuccessful Completion ■ Undesignated ■ Successful Completion Percentage



Note: Successful termination determined by court orders. Termination for those who had active warrant or were transferred from Orange County Probation to another jurisdiction are not included. | Source: OC Probation database retrieved 10/2025.

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Pillar V Juvenile & TAY Overview

To provide a continuum of information, programs, and enhanced services for youth, juveniles, and the TAY population to prevent them from entering the juvenile justice system, providing options away from being detained, and support and encourage positive outcomes outside of the juvenile justice system.

Objectives

Prevention

1. Communication & Media Campaign
2. Data Gathering, Sharing, & Analysis
3. Youth Diversion Programs
4. Juvenile Mental Health & Substance Use Support Services

In-Custody

1. Specialized Programming for Detained Juvenile & TAY
2. Enhance Juvenile Correction Campus
3. Juvenile Mental Health & Substance Use Support Services

Courts

1. Expand Juvenile Specialty Courts

Reentry

1. Specialized Reentry Programs
2. Supportive & Transitional Housing

Project Investments

Estimated Net County Cost
\$278,950,854

Funded
\$10,000,000



Pillar V: Juvenile & TAY Timeline & Implementation



Objective Details

Prevention: Objective 4

Juvenile Mental Health & Substance Use Support Services

To identify, obtain and report on critical data and metrics to support data-driven decisions on expansions, effectiveness and future projects or investments of resources.

Peer Support System for System Involved Youth

To bridge custody with community, Peer Support System for System Involved Youth was developed to support juvenile and TAY youth. Peer Support Specialists draw upon their lived experience to provide individualized reentry support, helping system-involved youth navigate community reintegration and rebuild stability through mentoring, modeling and linkage to resources. Examples of assistance provided to youth in the program are provided in the table below.

"Peer Support Specialists have greatly improved access to mental health in the community, enhancing continuity of care and supporting real-life needs in reentry preparation."

CEGU Staff Member

Needs of Youth	Peer Support Role
Behavioral Health & SUD Treatment	Provided "warm hand off", appointment scheduling support, and emotional encouragement to engage in care
Transportation to Appointments	Offered rides and in-person support to reduce no-shows and increase engagement
School Transition	Helped obtain school transcripts and navigate enrollment in public school
Medi-Cal Reactivation	Assisted with obtaining documentation, phone calls, and follow-up steps to restore coverage
Food Assistance Benefits	Provided information on eligibility requirements and assisted with online application process
Independent Living Skills	Assisted youth in creating and maintaining consistent daily routines to help prioritize tasks
Practical Coping Strategies	Encouraged youth to practice coping skills regularly, not just during moments of stress

Treatment Services for Youth

Substance Use Disorder Residential Treatment

SUD residential treatment beds represent a 24-hour, live-in, non-hospital and structured treatment environment designed to help individuals recover from addiction. These beds are part of a licensed or certified facility where residents receive around-the-clock care, including counseling, therapy, and, in many cases, medication-assisted treatment (MAT) or, withdrawal management (detoxification). Residential treatment beds are established for youth ages 15-17 years old, up to their 18th birthday.

Services Available

Prior to OC Cares (FY 20-21)

Female Beds: 6

Male Beds: All located outside of OC

Not enough capacity and access to SUD Treatment Beds for the Juvenile/TAY population

Crisis Stabilization Units

Designed for those experiencing acute distress brought on by behavioral health challenges, social stressors or substance use, the CSU is a welcoming environment providing assessment and stabilization for adolescents.

The unit is staffed by an interdisciplinary team specializing in crisis intervention, medication evaluation and management, and psychiatric evaluation within one hour of arrival. Clients receive comprehensive mental health services for up to 24 hours. Follow-up and referral support is provided to ensure successful outcomes.

Services Expanded

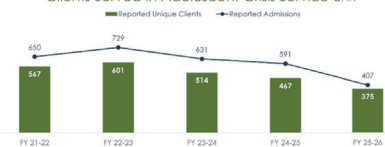
During OC Cares (FY 21-25)

Adolescent Crisis Stabilization Unit Beds: 8

Services provided at Behavioral Health Campus in Orange.

Recliners are utilized at all CSU settings for crisis stabilization services which are short term in nature, for conditions that can resolve in 24 hours or less.

Clients Served in Adolescent Crisis Service Unit



Anticipated Services

Beginning FY 26-27 | All located in OC

A total of 34 SUD adolescent residential beds and 8 CSU beds are anticipated when the Behavioral Health Campus Irvine opens.



17
FEMALE
SUD BEDS

17
MALE
SUD BEDS

24
PERINATAL
SUD BEDS

8
CSU
BEDS

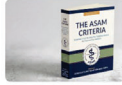
Objective Details

Courts: Objective 1

Expand Juvenile Specialty Courts

To maximize the benefits of the juvenile specialty court model by increasing capacity in existing specialty courts and develop and implement additional ones to address the specific issues associated with the juvenile and TAY population.

Other Notable Improvements



HCA is now able to complete a substance use testing on youth (ASAM) within a week in order to expedite getting a youth into residential treatment, if that is what the assessment determines.

Options are now available to place male adolescents under 18 in residential SUD treatment out of county. OC still does not have any residential beds for male youth.



OC Department of Education (OCDE) has started attending the JRC staffing. They can provide up-to-the-minute information on a youth's educational progress.

The Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) are now supporting crossover youth, as well as strictly juvenile justice youth. They have a big presence in all our collaborative courts.



Increased local college support for YDC including CSUF and CSLB Project Rebound & Rise Youth Justice Program from Cypress College.

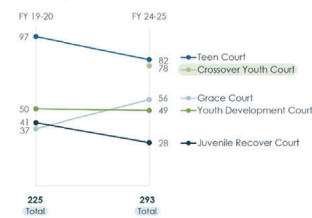


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- May 2019**
Merged Boys Court and Girls Court to Teen Court.
- June 2019**
YDC began.
- March 2022**
CYC began after the court and stakeholders worked with Georgetown's Center for Youth Justice for nearly two years to develop the program.
- 2022**
JRC revised handbook and manual.
- 2023**
YDC contest for writing and art.
- October 2023**
JRC grant (4 year) started. Provides technical assistance to improve participation and outcomes of JRC. The court and stakeholders are working closely to determine what is working well and what best practices can be used to improve the efficacy of the program.
- November 2024**
CYC expanded to a third Wednesday

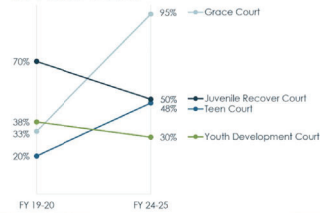
Courts: Objective 1

Participants Served



Note: Crossover Youth Court data for FY 19-20 is N/A. For FY 24-25 N/A. Successful exit not defined for this program. 33 participants exited during the fiscal year.

Successful Exits



"The OC Juvenile Court is proud to have established five different collaborative courts over the past several years. These specialty courts address the needs of specific populations, including those youth who have been or are at risk of being trafficked; youth who are challenged with a substance use issue; youth who are vulnerable to becoming involved in criminal activity due to a lack of family support; youth who are transitioning out of the juvenile system after being a part of it for several years; and youth who need additional services and support to successfully transition to adulthood."

Hon. Craig E. Arthur, Judge,
Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court,
OC Superior Court

"The Juvenile collaborative courts offer youth and families support and services from many different stakeholders in the community who may be involved in their lives. The collaborative court is unique in that all stakeholders are available in court for a youth's hearing, and they are able to work together as a team to support the youth with whatever is needed at any given moment in terms of education, mental health services, substance use services, housing, career development and peer support."



Objective Details

In-Custody: Objective 1

Enhance Juvenile Correction Campus

To establish a modern Juvenile Correction Campus and replace older obsolete facilities with facilities based on evidence-based and best practices that allows for more flexibility as the population continues to evolve.

The master plan for the Juvenile Hall Campus is designed to create a therapeutic supportive environment that promotes healing, growth, and stability for both adjudicated and pre-adjudicated youth. The guiding philosophy of the design emphasizes reducing recidivism by offering trauma-informed spaces that encourage personal development while also providing staff and partner organizations with environments that foster effective collaboration. The goal within the design is to reduce stress, enhance safety, and support both emotional and physical well-being for youth and staff. For example, living units are modeled after neighborhood style housing and educational and vocational buildings are modeled after college campus designs with the goal of reducing the institutional feel of the campus allowing youth to feel safe without feeling confined. The construction is planned to be done in five phases, beginning with replacing the Youth Guidance Center in 2025 and transitioning to the educational and vocational spaces and living units.

OC Youth Transitional Center Ground Breaking

Orange, CA | August 2025



Vision & Impact

The Juvenile Hall Campus master plan prioritizes rehabilitation and reintegration. By providing youth with supportive, non-institutional environments, it equips them with the skills, dignity and confidence to re-enter society successfully. Simultaneously, it creates infrastructure that enhances staff effectiveness and sustainability, ensuring the campus remains a cornerstone of positive youth development well into the future.



Financial Investments

\$253,950,854 Phase 1 & 2 Estimate (NCC) \$5,000,000 Funded

Objective Details

In-Custody: Objective 2

Specialized Programming for Detained Juvenile/TAY

To provide enhanced programming to detained youth to address the specific needs pertaining to education, life and social skills, and vocational needs to encourage self-sufficiency.

Prior to OC Cares

- ✗ Inability to qualify for college credit
- ✗ Limited life skills training
- ✗ Better connection to reentry services while in-custody
- ✗ Limited vocational and training programs

In Development

- Beginning FY 26-27
- Medical Billing
- Construction
- Graphic Design

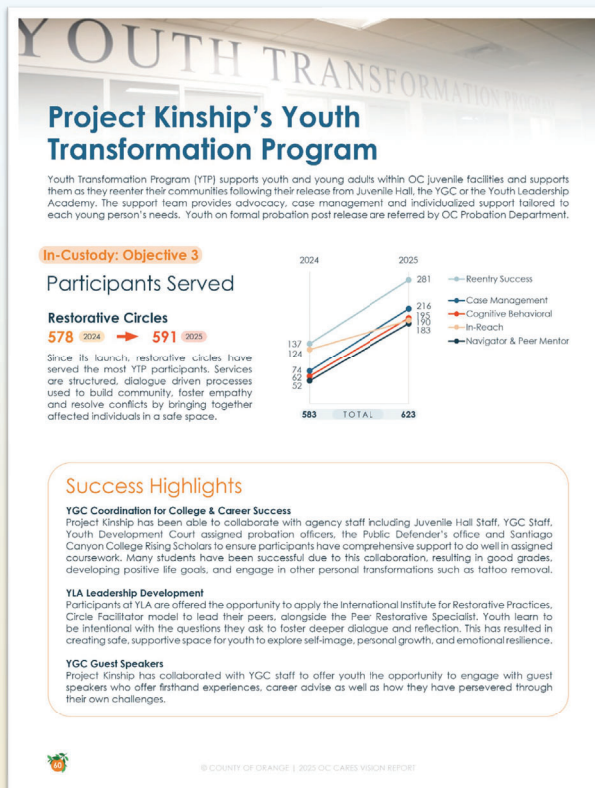
Newly Contracted

- Educational Programs
 - Cypress College
 - Project Youth OC
 - Project Rebound
 - Santiago Canyon Community College
- Skills Up: Automotive Shop Program
- Two new Culinary Programs
- Virtual Reality Vocational Training
- Life Skills Program: Partners4Wellness
- Ready Set OC

*This training can result in work ready certificates.



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Next Steps

- Review and provide feedback with juvenile and TAY staff by 4/30/2026
- Target for completion for final report is end of month to be released with launch of new website and media campaign
- Design dashboards to include on the website to ensure ongoing monitoring of defined performance metrics.



General Updates

Pending Capital Projects

Budget Update



THANK YOU!

Questions/Comments

Next Meeting:

May 15, 2026, 9:30am

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