

Juvenile Community Review Board

Annual Report 2004



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Statutory Authority

- C.R.S. 19-1-103
 - Outlines membership of JCRB
- C.R.S. 19-2-210
 - **Requires approval by a Juvenile Community Review Board (JCRB) before a juvenile committed to the Colorado Department of Human Services Division of Youth Corrections may be placed within jurisdiction.**
 - Juvenile Parole Board must notify JCRB of placements made
 - Outlines information to be submitted to JCRB
 - Outlines considerations and time frames for JCRB in making decisions
- C.R.S. 19-2-403
 - Outlines authority for housing DYC juveniles
- C.R.S. 19-2-1002
 - Juvenile Parole Board must notify JCRB of placements made
 - Outlines opportunity of JCRB to present testimony on Juvenile Parole Board case hearings

Partners in Juvenile Justice

Juvenile Court

□ Juvenile Court

- division within the 4th Judicial District Court system.

□ Responsibilities

- adjudicating cases involving youth between ages of 10 and 17 who are charged with a crime except in certain cases when the case may be transferred to or direct filed in criminal adult court
- may retain jurisdiction over the youth until age 21 under certain conditions

Partners in Juvenile Justice

Division of Youth Corrections

- The Division of Youth Corrections
 - part of the State Department of Human Services
 - organized into 4 regions: 4th JD is in Southern
 - Responsibilities
 - management and oversight of State-operated and privately contracted residential facilities, adjudicated delinquent youth in those facilities, and for community alternative programs that serve and treat delinquent youth aged 10 to 21 years
 - assessment services for committed youth
 - allocating funds to each judicial district
 - develop, supervise and monitor youth case plans for community or parole in cooperation with family, courts, probation, social services, schools, employers and youth agencies
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Partners in Juvenile Justice

Juvenile Parole Board

- Juvenile Parole Board
 - appointed by Governor
- Responsibilities
 - grant, deny, modify, suspend, revoke and specify conditions of parole for all juveniles committed to NYC including youth who completed their commitment in placement and are subject to mandatory parole
 - notify JCRB of juvenile parole hearings

Partners in Juvenile Justice

Community Facilities private sector

- Community Facilities housing juveniles within the Southern Region
 - AYA Montrose
 - Cleo Wallace
 - ComCor, Inc.
 - Dale House
 - Emily Griffith
 - Lyle Alzado Youth Home
 - Youthtrack San Luis Valley
 - Youth Ventures

Partners in Juvenile Justice

Juvenile Community Review Board

JCRB

- appointed by Board of County Commissioners
- review referrals of juveniles recommended for community placement within 15 days from date referral received
- membership
 - School Districts 2 and 11
 - EPC Department of Human Services
 - Colorado Springs Police Department
 - 4th Judicial District Probation
 - 4th Judicial District District Attorney
 - 4th Judicial District Public Defender
 - El Paso County Bar Association
 - Colorado Department of Human Services Division of Youth Corrections
 - two citizens



Partners in Juvenile Justice continued

Juvenile Community Review Board

- considerations in decision making
 - results of NYC risk assessment
 - needs of the juvenile
 - criteria established by JCRB based on community interests
 - danger to facility or community
 - juvenile may benefit from treatment facility
 - other duties
 - approval of school or work release
 - acceptance of written monthly status report on juveniles previously approved for placement



By the Numbers in 2004

JCRB El Paso County



Board

- met 22 times
 - 2 meetings cancelled due to no referrals
 - staff support by EPC Department of Justice Services
- reviewed 81 cases
 - representing 77 individuals
 - 56 males
 - 21 females
 - approved 80 for the recommended placement site
 - average age of juveniles at review 17.5 years
 - juveniles committed from 4th JD: 76 of 81
 - agencies receiving placed youth
 - Dale House 40
 - Youth Ventures 20
 - Emily Griffith 13
 - ComCor, Inc. 8

On a related note...

DYC Recidivism Report

□ Recidivism

- pre-discharge filing of a new misdemeanor or felony offense that occurred during commitment period including both community residential and non-residential parole
 - 365 youth committed 7/1/00 through 12/31/00
 - 37% had new charges
 - State: 136 individuals 37% recidivism
 - Southern Region: 33 individuals 47% recidivism
- post-discharge filing of a new misdemeanor offense that occurred within 1 year following discharge
 - 644 youth discharged 7/1/00 through 6/31/01
 - 36% had new charges
 - State: 232 individuals 36% recidivism
 - Southern Region: 60 individuals 39% recidivism

All information from *Recidivism Evaluation of Committed Youth Discharged in FY 00-01* at www.cdhs.state.co.us/dyc/documents/recid%202003.pdf