



# Santa Cruz County Probation Department

## Senate Bill 823 DJJ Realignment

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# Links to Resources

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# Main Elements of SB 823

- Intake at DJJ stops 7/1/21
- New state Office of Youth and Community Restoration (OYCR)
- Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council (JJCC) subcommittee to be created in each county
- Local Plans not submitted to OYCR until 2nd year-FY 22/23
- Funding at full implementation: \$208.8 million
- New disposition track to be created by March 2021
- DOJ plan to replace JCPSS

# Age of Jurisdiction (Welfare and Institutions Code WIC) 208.5)

- Establishes the age of jurisdiction at age 23 for youth adjudicated of WIC 707(b) offenses and age 25 for youth adjudicated of offenses that would result in an aggregate sentence of 7 or more years in adult court. Age of jurisdiction is 21 for all other youth.
- Retains a person whose case originated in juvenile court in a juvenile facility until age 25 (subject to age of jurisdiction)
  - Outlines process for Probation to petition to house a youth once they reach 19 to an adult facility

# Adult Commits

(WIC 733.1, 736.5, 912, 1955.2)

- Allows counties to continue sending youth convicted in adult court until DJJ is finally closed –or youth whereby a motion was filed to transfer youth to criminal court
- Denotes in statute that separate jurisdictional track is to be developed
- Charges counties \$125,000 for youth sent to DJJ after 7/1/21 as adult commit
- Sets daily rate to be paid to counties at \$616.44 for youth once convicted as an adult who remain at the county until turning 18 and transferred to state facility.

# Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Subcommittee

## (WIC 1995)

- Every county to create a subcommittee within JJCC as requirement to receive funding via block grant
- Probation Chief to Chair
- Members include representatives from:

- \* district attorney's office,
- \* public defender's office,
- \* department of social services,
- \* department of mental health,
- \* county office of education or a school district,
- \* the court.

- \* no fewer than three additional community members defined as individuals who have experience providing community-based youth services, youth justice advocates with expertise and knowledge of the juvenile justice system, or have been directly involved in the juvenile justice system.

# What must local plans entail?

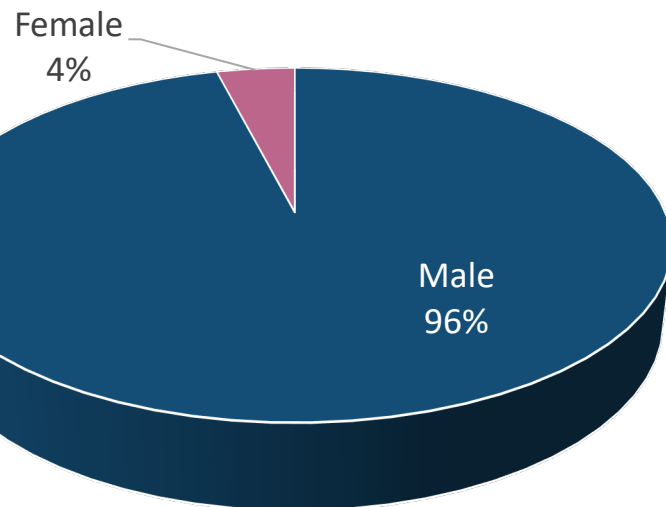
## (Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) 1995)

- Description of realignment population to be served by block grant
  - Numbers by age and other characteristics
- Description of facilities, programs, placements, services and service providers, supervision, and other responses
- Description of how grant funds will address a range of programming needs outlined in WIC 1995
- Detailed facility plan
- Plan to incentivize retaining youth in juvenile system (vs adult system)
- Description of regional arrangements
- Description of how data will be collected on youth served and outcomes

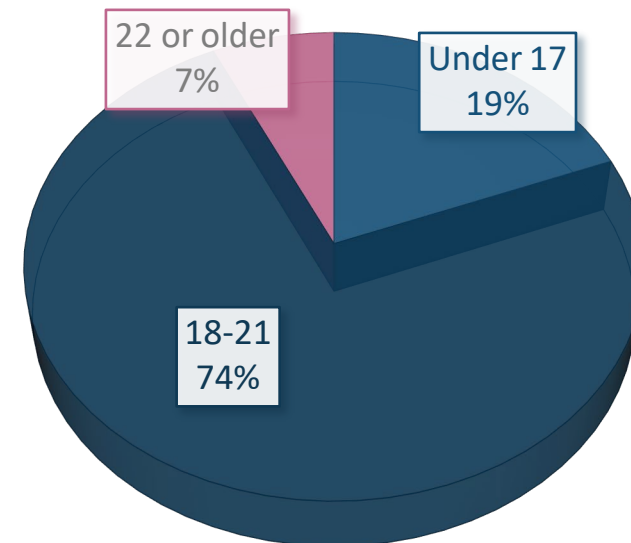
# Statewide DJJ Demographics

- As of June 2020, DJJ held 782 youth in its three youth correctional facilities and one fire camp.

DJJ POPULATION: GENDER  
(2019)



DJJ POPULATION: AGE  
(2019)





# Santa Cruz County DJJ Demographics

## DJJ Population as of November 13, 2020: 4 Youth

# of Youth	%	Crime Type
1	25%	Robbery 2nd Degree/Use of Firearm/Carjacking
1	25%	Murder
2	50%	Attempted Murder
4	100%	TOTAL

# Santa Cruz County Juvenile Hall

## JH Population as of November 13, 2020: 15 Youth

# of Youth	%	Crime Type
1	7%	Robbery
1	7%	Murder
3	20%	Attempted Murder
1	7%	Assault
1	7%	Kidnapping
8	53%	Other (Battery, Concealed Weapon, Bench Warrant, EM Failure, Placement Failure, Technical Violation)
<b>15</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
707(b) Offenses	27%	Of All Youth in Juvenile Hall

# Next Steps



Determine capacity for Santa Cruz County to serve youth locally



Determine if Santa Cruz County needs a regional approach



Establish subcommittee of JJCC



Develop local plan for Realignment Block Grants for Board of Supervisors



Consider applying for one-time Regional Youth Programs and Facilities Grant