



DENVER JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT

## ▶ COLORADO PROBATION COMMON GROUND

- ▶ Colorado Probation is committed to Public Safety, Victim and Community Reparation through Offender Accountability, Skill and Competency Development and Services to the Communities of Colorado.
- ▶ The Colorado Judicial Department administers adult and juvenile probation within Colorado's 23 judicial districts. This includes 24 probation departments with over 50 separate probation offices throughout the state.
- ▶ The Colorado Probation Statement of Common Ground, listed above, was developed to clearly identify the critical functions that unify all probation departments in carrying out their mission.
- ▶ Probation's commitment to these practices requires the implementation of innovative approaches to offender assessments, supervision, victim involvement and services to the community.
- ▶ Colorado probation departments strive to meet every part of the Statement of Common Ground

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## Vision

Denver Juvenile Probation is a trusted and innovative leader committed to community safety through supervision, accountability, rehabilitation and victim restoration.

## Mission

Denver Juvenile Probation is committed to treating our diverse personnel, youth, families and stakeholders with respect, equity and inclusivity. We believe positive change is accomplished through accountability, the use of appropriate services, implementation of restorative practices and collaboration with the community. We are dedicated to the wellness and professional development of our staff.

## Values

- Integrity - We value fairness, consistency, and trust without compromise.
- Respect - We acknowledge, recognize, and value everyone and treat people with dignity and professionalism.
- Honesty - We value the courage to serve with truth and transparency.
- Accountability - We value and accept responsibility for honest and ethical conduct towards ourselves and others.
- Teamwork - We value working with and supporting members of our team.



# SUPERVISION/PROGRAMS

## JISP - JUVENILE INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROBATION

INTENSIVE SUPERVISION AND TREATMENT FOR HIGH-RISK YOUTH

## HIP - HANDGUN INTERVENTION PROGRAM

SUPPORTS YOUTH WITH A HANDGUN CHARGE AND THEIR FAMILIES TO ADDRESS COMMUNITY IMPACT AND REDUCE HANDGUN RECIDIVISM.

## JSOP - JUVENILE SEX OFFENDER PROGRAM

INTENSIVE SUPERVISION FOR YOUTH OFFENDERS ON PROBATION OR SUPERVISION FOR A SEXUALLY BASED OFFENSE.

## MENTAL HEALTH

SUPERVISION AND SUPPORT OF YOUTH OFFENDERS WITH SEVERE MENTAL HEALTH DIAGNOSES.

## YFTC - YOUTH AND FAMILY TREATMENT COURT

A TREATMENT COURT DESIGNED TO ADDRESS HIGH-RISK AND HIGH-NEED YOUTH OFFENDERS WITH SIGNIFICANT SUBSTANCE USE CONCERNS.

## REST - RESTORE, EDUCATE, SUPPORT & TREAT

A PROBLEM-SOLVING COURT FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES WHO HAVE A HISTORY OF TRAUMA AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONCERNS.

# DATA

DJP currently supervises approximately 250 youth between the ages of 12-18 years of age. Approximately 100 of the individuals that we serve are young adults between the ages of 18-24 years of age.

Of the 250 approximately 180 are supervised on regular supervision. Approximately 70 are assigned to specialized programs. These individuals have a collective 323 cases court ordered to have probation supervision.

Approximately 29% of these youth are Caucasian, 35% black, 32% Hispanic.

In the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of Fiscal Year 2023, Denver Juvenile Probation Department served 200 youth and achieved an 85% success rate and a 58% success rate for youth sentenced to Juvenile Intensive Supervision.

## JISP

The Juvenile Intensive Supervision Probation (JISP) Program was implemented in FY 1991 as a community sentencing option for high-risk juvenile offenders. As a result of its effectiveness, the General Assembly approved expansion of the program enough to allow its existence in all 23 judicial districts. The program is designed to deliver intensive case management to include increased probation/youth contact, monitoring of school progress, referral for remedial educational assistance, home visits, electronic monitoring, drug testing, skill building, and treatment services, as required.

## HIP

In response to an increase in juvenile handgun related cases, collaborating agencies within the Denver Juvenile Court developed The Handgun Intervention Program. HIP is a comprehensive approach to youth gun violence reduction that is committed to balancing community safety with the youth's needs through a continuum of services. HIP embraces a culturally diverse, restorative justice model by promoting and inspiring healthy lifestyles through accountability, education, community partnerships and competency development. There have been 9 completed Cohorts since its inception in 2021, serving 52 youth. Currently the 10<sup>th</sup> Cohort is underway with 9 youth participating. Programming and education includes LYRIC, DPD, Public Health, Restorative Justice VIP Panels, the Conflict Center and Community Accountability Board (CABs).

# YOUTH FAMILY & TREATMENT COURT

THE DENVER YOUTH AND FAMILY TREATMENT COURT (YFTC) EXISTS TO AID JUVENILE JUSTICE INVOLVED YOUTH WITH SUBSTANCE MISUSE DISORDERS IN A MULTI-SYSTEMIC TRAUMA INFORMED WAY TO REDUCE FUTURE JUSTICE INVOLVEMENT AND SUBSTANCE USE.

THE YFTC TEAM IS COMPRISED OF THE JUDICIAL OFFICER, DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND PUBLIC DEFENDER, PROBATION OFFICER, INTERVENTION SPECIALIST, FAMILY ENGAGEMENT SPECIALIST AND TREATMENT PROVIDER THAT SUPPORT YOUTH WITH ACHIEVING THEIR GOALS TOWARDS SOBRIETY AND SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION.

ALL PARTICIPANTS COMPLETE ASSESSMENTS, RECEIVE MONITORED SOBRIETY AND ARE REFERRED TO TREATMENT AND PROGRAMMING AT ALL LEVELS FROM OUTPATIENT TO INPATIENT DESPITE BARRIERS (AVAILABILITY AND FUNDING)

FAMILIES PARTICIPATE IN COMMUNITY REINFORCEMENT AND FAMILY TRAINING (CRAFT)  
AN EVIDENCE BASED CURRICULUM PROVIDED IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH

YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES ALSO RECEIVE SUPPORT AND SERVICES THAT INCLUDE EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT, FOOD, EVICTION SERVICES/EVICTION LAWYER, HOUSING RESOURCES, IN-HOUSE CLOTHING CLOSET, INDEPENDENT LIVING SUPPORT, AND BABY RESOURCES (DIAPERS, FORMULA, WIPES).



INTERVENTION



# CHALLENGES & GAPS

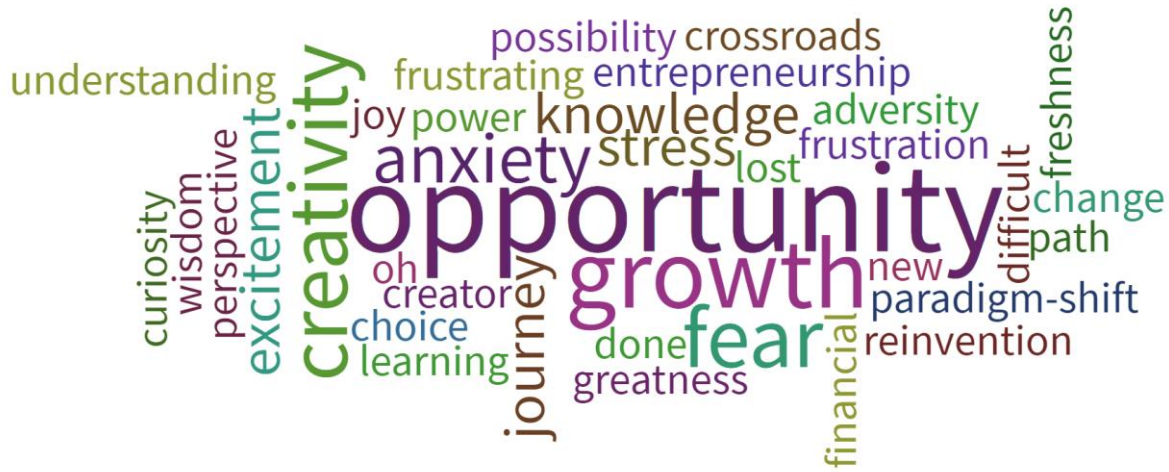
INCREASED HIGH RISK BEHAVIORS

GUN VIOLENCE

OPIOID/FENTANYL CRISIS

LACK OF RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT OPTIONS

When you hear the word challenge, what do you think of?





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