
Denver Juvenile Justice Overview

Briefing to Denver City Council Safety, Housing, Education & Homelessness Committee
Public Safety Youth Programs
Feb. 13, 2019

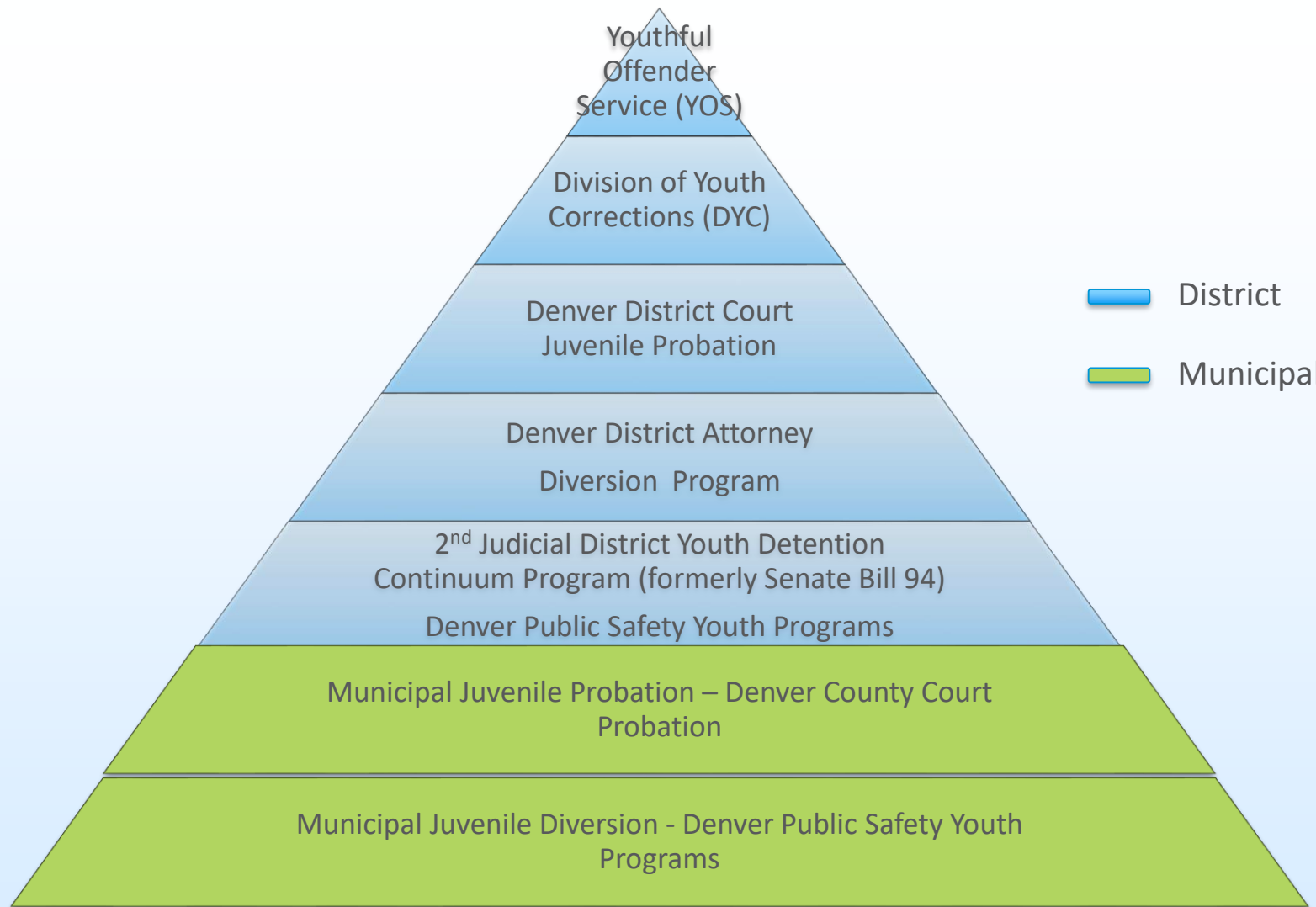
Presentation Agenda

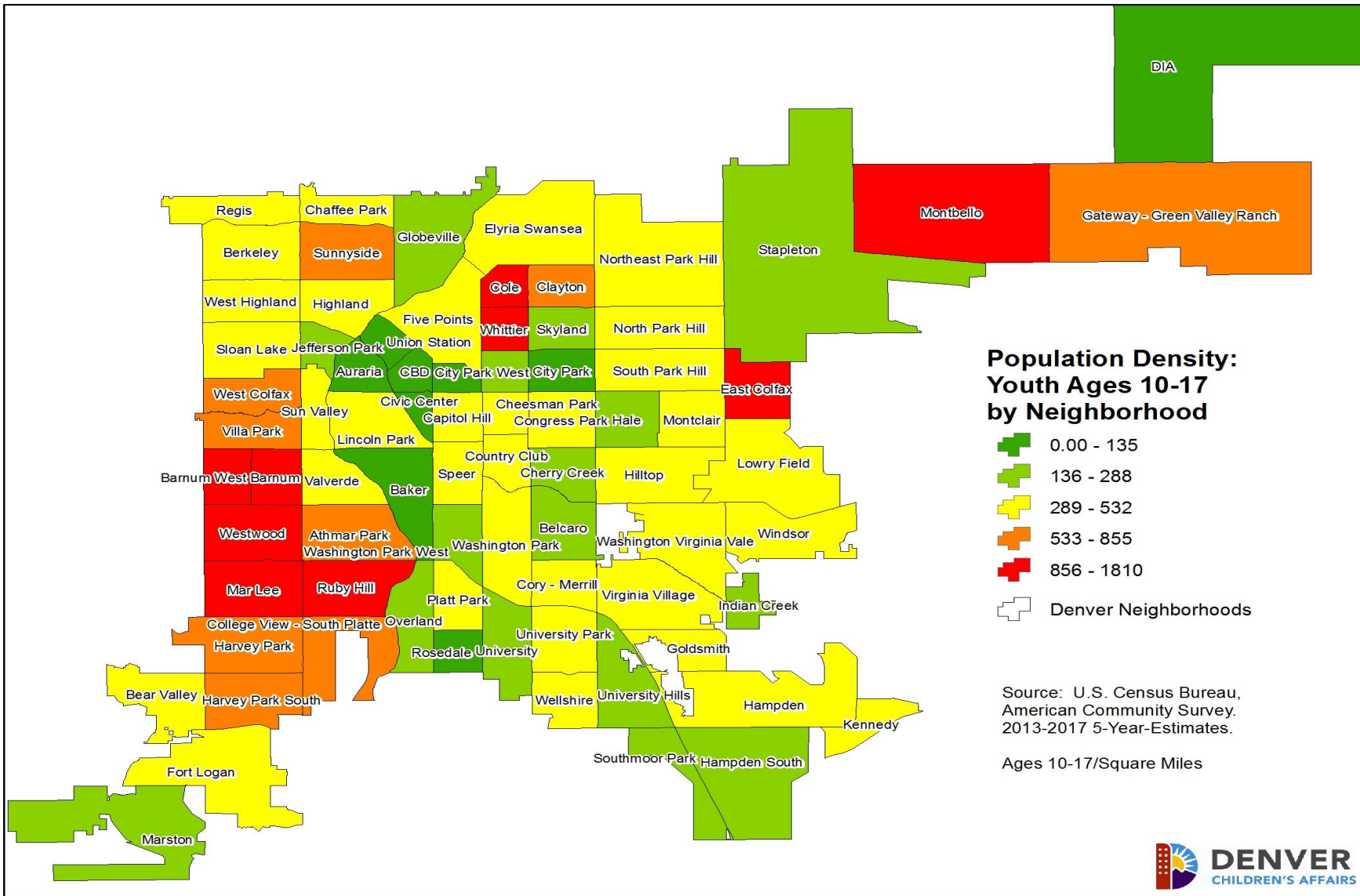
1. Denver's Juvenile Justice Continuum
2. Demographic Snapshot
3. Common Offenses
4. Use of Restorative Justice
5. System Challenges
6. Future of Juvenile Justice
7. Q&A / Follow up Council Committee Meetings

DPSYP Presenters

Patrick Hedrick, Deputy Director

Dr. Rose Ediger, Director, 2nd JD Youth Detention Continuum





**Population Density:
Youth Ages 10-17
by Neighborhood**

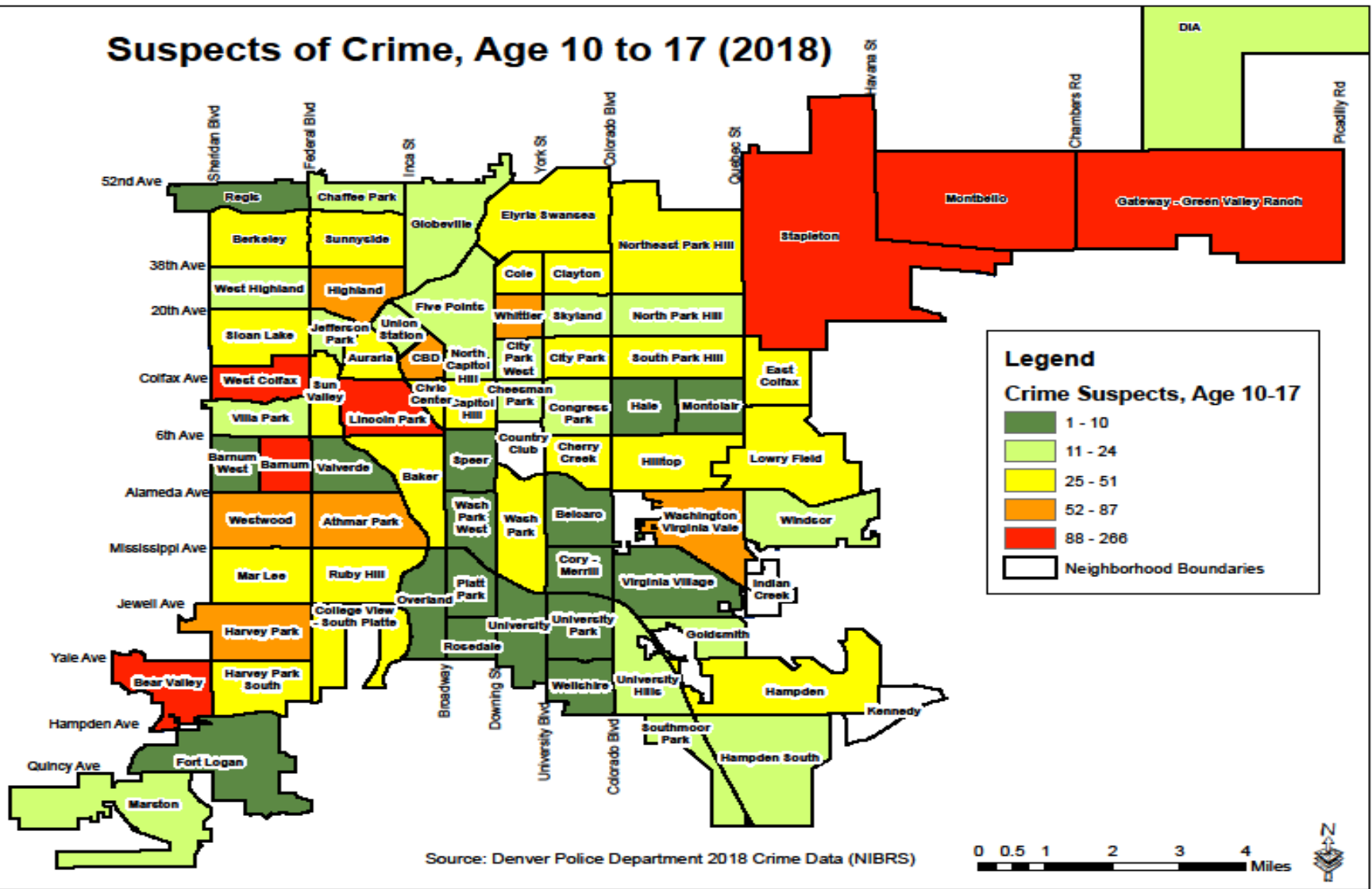
- 0.00 - 135
- 136 - 288
- 289 - 532
- 533 - 855
- 856 - 1810
- Denver Neighborhoods

Source: U.S. Census Bureau,
American Community Survey,
2013-2017 5-Year-Estimates.

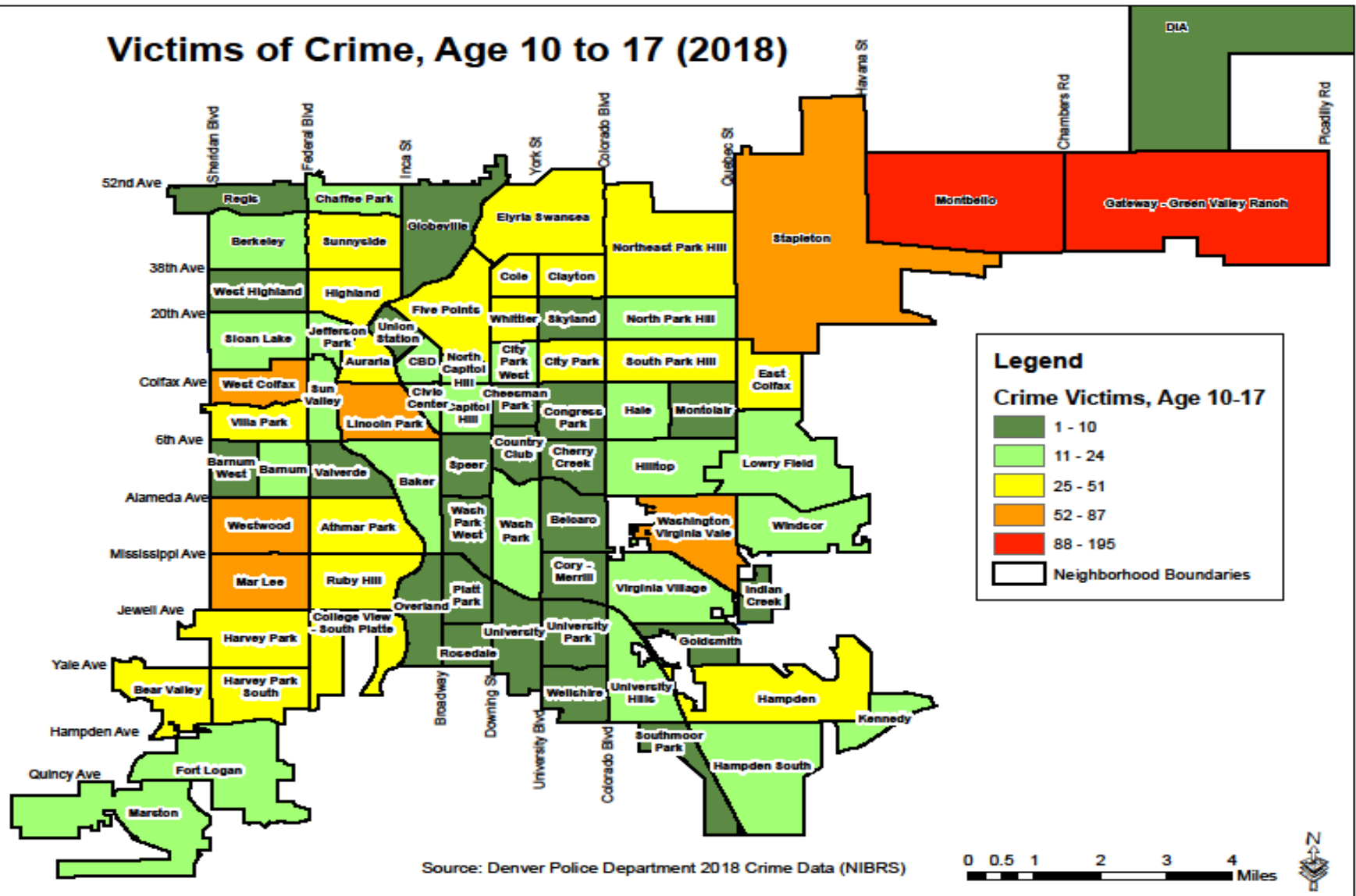
Ages 10-17/Square Miles



Suspects of Crime, Age 10 to 17 (2018)

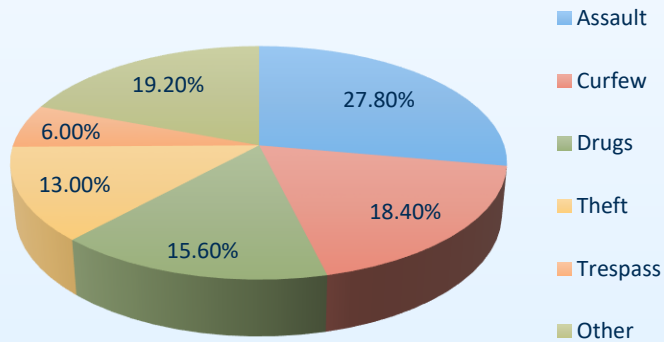


Victims of Crime, Age 10 to 17 (2018)



Denver Municipal Juvenile Court Case Summary

2018 Municipal Cases N= 1965



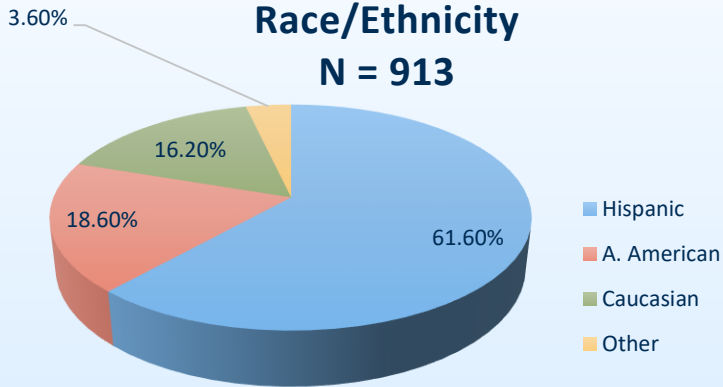
2013-2017 Municipal Cases



Data Source: Denver County Court

Municipal Diversion Case Snapshot*

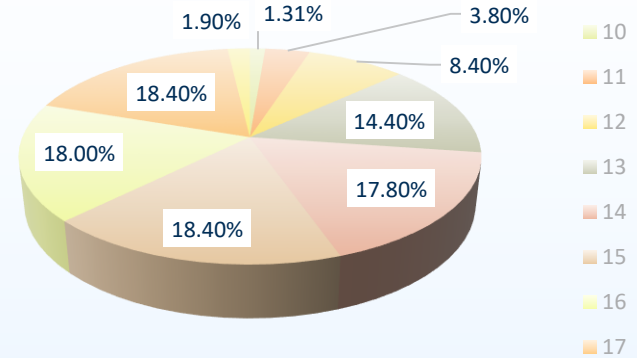
2018 Municipal Diversion Cases Race/Ethnicity
N = 913



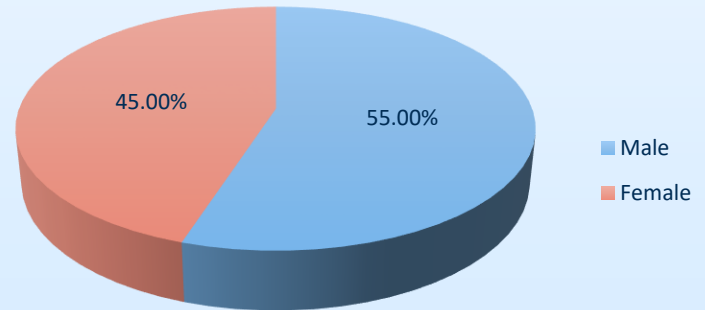
Diversion cases only*

Data Source: DPSYP

2018 Diversion Cases Age



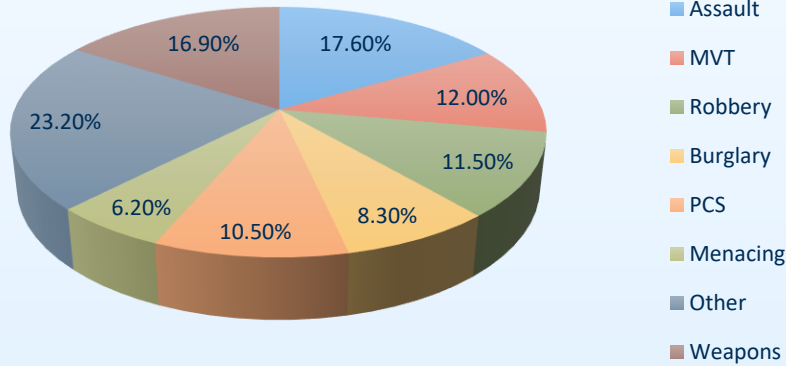
2018 Municipal Diversion Cases Gender



2018 District Cases Snapshot

N = 617*

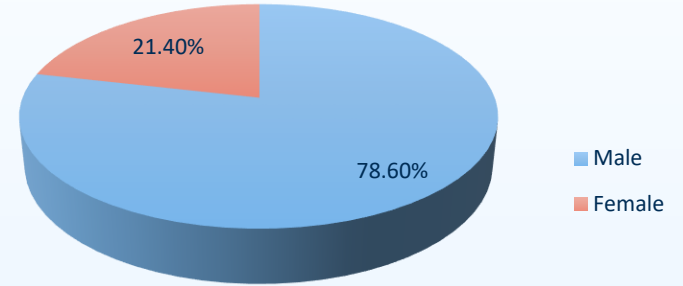
2018 District Cases Type of Offense



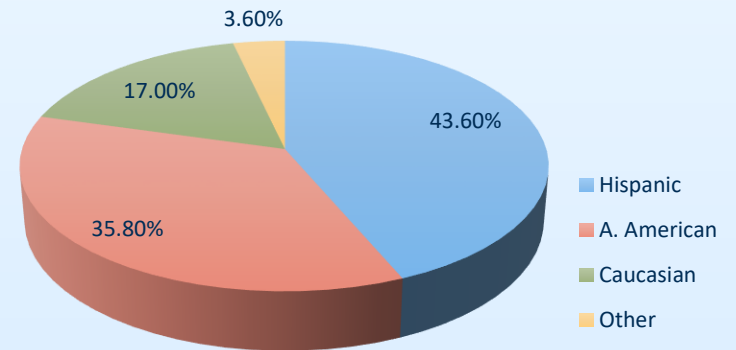
**New cases only via Juvenile Intake*

Data Source: 2nd JD YDC Program

2018 District Cases Gender



2018 District Cases Race/Ethnicity



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Restorative Justice

- Partnership between DPSYP, Denver DA Diversion Program, and Denver Juvenile Probation
- Municipal and District cases
- DPSYP/DPS partnership to support additional Attendance Mediation Workshops

Challenges

- Reduction in detention beds at Gilliam.
- Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC).
- Weapons-related offenses
- Resources for Municipal Court

Future

- Increase access to prevention services that support the whole family.
- Increase in-home and community-based services.
- Age of delinquency
- Problem-Solving Court