

Second Chance Program

Juvenile Options for Lifelong Transition (JOLT)

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- The JOLT program serves 16-21 year olds
 - Youth Offender Unit (YOU) commits – *DJJ eligible referred by Probation*
 - Previously incarcerated youth
- The Second Chance JOLT program supported by two grants:
 - San Diego County Probation Department
 - San Diego Workforce Partnership

JOLT Program Goals

- JOLT Supports the following outcomes:
 - Remain Substance Free
 - Reduce Law Violations
 - Become Self-Sufficient
 - High School Diploma/GED
 - Victim Restitution
 - Vocational Training
 - Employment

What Types of Services are Delivered?

- Services are delivered both in custody and out of custody

In custody facilities:

- Youth Offender Units (YOU): East Mesa Juvenile Detention Facility and Kearny Mesa Juvenile Detention Facility
- Girls Rehabilitation Facility (GRF)

In-Custody Services - YOU

- **Second Chance JOLT provides assessment and transition plans in partnership with Probation**
- **In the Youthful Offender Units there are daily in-custody groups and one on one counseling sessions with Second Chance staff**
- **A coordinated pre-release exit plan involves probation, correctional staff, JCCS and Second Chance**

In-Custody Services - WIA

- Outreach and Orientation
- Eligibility Determination
- Work Readiness Workshops
- Contributes to Individualized Transition Plan
- Participation at Exit Conference

“Back Home”

JOLT post-release services:

- Rapid engagement & Re-assessment
- Weekly contact
- Initiate Individual Service Plans
- Sober Living
- STRIVE Class
- Mentoring

Post Release Services-

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- Job Readiness Training
- Paid Internships
- Supportive services
- Support for GED/High School Diploma
- Support for Post Secondary Education/Vocational Training Support



CHALLENGES

- Coordination & Communication
- Continued Engagement of Youth
- Educational Attainment
- Lacking in employability skills
- Intensive Needs
- Delivering services throughout the County

HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT

- **Help Youth Gain Work History**
 - Need worksites for Internships and Jobs
 - Opportunities to Earn \$
- **Create an Array of Programming Options**
 - Partnerships and programming that focuses on youth interests
- **Incentives for Participation**