

State of Alaska
FY2010 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services
Johnson Youth Center
Component Budget Summary

Component: Johnson Youth Center

Contribution to Department's Mission

Johnson Youth Center is the largest of the Division's southeast youth facilities, providing secure juvenile detention and court-ordered institutional treatment services. The facility also provides support services for the Ketchikan Regional Youth Facility. These services are provided in a manner consistent with the Division of Juvenile Justice mission to hold juvenile offenders accountable for their behavior, promote the safety and restoration of victims and communities, and assist offenders and their families in developing skills to prevent crime.

Core Services

- Eight bed secure detention unit providing supervision, custody, care and rehabilitative services for accused and adjudicated delinquent youth.
- Twenty-two bed secure institutional treatment unit providing supervision, custody, care and long-term treatment services for adjudicated delinquent youth.

FY2010 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2010 Component Budget: \$3,471,100	Personnel:	
	Full time	34
	Part time	0
	Total	34

Key Component Challenges

Facility Safety and Security Master Plan:

- The Johnson Youth Center is one of the division's older juvenile facilities. It is an eclectic mix of old and new structures. The area of greatest need in terms of safety and security is the current detention unit that was originally built in the late 1960s as a jail/prison for female offenders. The detention unit does not support its mission. The unit is antiquated, inefficient, and does not lend itself to the appropriate supervision of the juvenile offenders housed there. The unit is poorly equipped to withstand the abuse it takes from the youth. Windows are not appropriately security glazed, and there are no sallyport areas to ensure adequate security of the resident population. The facility's perimeter security system is inadequate to control resident escape and to minimize potential for introduction of contraband. Police admission, medical, and parking areas are also inadequate and compromise the safety of facility staff and residents. Administrative and support areas, including those for probation and maintenance staff, present safety, space and building code concerns. These and other physical plant needs at Johnson Youth Center, and a plan to address the needs, are well articulated in a report by architect Steve Fishback following his assessment of Bethel Youth Facility and three other Division of Juvenile Justice facilities. Mr. Fishback has considerable expertise in correctional facility safety and security, and his findings regarding the Johnson Youth Center are included in a report to Division of Juvenile Justice entitled "Threat to Safety and Security, An Assessment of Security Needs for Alaska's Juvenile Detention Facilities". Based on this report, Division of Juvenile Justice has requested capital funding to renovate and expand Johnson Youth Center in four phases, to be complete in FY2014.

Recruitment:

- The facility continues to face challenges of recruiting, training, and retaining staff. The facility Superintendent continues to devote time to this area, with the facility making use of non-permanent staff to fill the gaps in permanent staffing. The lack of staff continues to challenge the ability of existing staff to provide sufficient time engaged with youth and meet the facility's goal of engaging parents more in the

intervention process in detention and the treatment process on the treatment unit.

Facility Programs:

- The Johnson Youth Center's most recent measure of recidivism for youth released from the long term treatment program showed an increase in the percentage of youth who reoffended within one year. The recidivism rate of 47% suggests a need for additional staff training, program accountability, and reintegration/aftercare services.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2010

- In FY2010 the facility will be exploring the development of a Community Detention program as an alternative for juveniles who do not require secure detention but who do require an increased level of supervision and oversight while they await a decision on the outcome of their offenses. Positions funded by the legislature in FY2009 and FY2010 will be devoted to studying the feasibility and development of this program. A Community Detention program has been in place for several years in Anchorage and has provided an effective means to hold youth accountable while also making sure detention bed space is available for youth that need to be held securely.
- Johnson Youth Center also will be improving Transitional Services for youth in FY2010. A new Social Services Associate position that began work in FY2009 is expected to provide improved transitional services for all youth who are being released from secure care to Southeast Alaskan communities in FY2010.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2008

Program Enhancement:

- The Johnson Youth Center received Reentry Grant funds from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. We have hired a Social Services Associate II to support Johnson Youth Center residents as they prepare for and complete their transition to the community.
- Sixteen youth were matched with mentors from Big Brothers Big Sisters during FY2008.
- Johnson Youth Center Aggression Replacement Trainers (ART) provided two series of ART classes at Juneau-Douglas High School for youth on probation and living in the community. This is in addition to the classes provided for Johnson Youth Center residents.

Safety and Security:

- A Johnson Youth Center Safety and Security committee was initiated this year to discuss upcoming facility improvement projects and concerns identified by staff in their Performance-based Standards Staff Climate Surveys.
- A significant accomplishment this year is the development and implementation of a statewide policy on suicide prevention and intervention. In June, 2007, Division of Juvenile Justice senior managers and mental health clinicians participated in training with national expert Lindsay Hayes. Following that training the statewide policy was developed and, using the Performance-based Standards (PbS) Facility Improvement Plan format, implemented by all facilities in the division. This policy is now operational at the facility, providing an increased level of assessment, supervision, review, communication, training, and response to those youth at high risk for suicidal behavior.

Awards and Recognition:

- The Johnson Youth Center continues to participate successfully in the national quality assurance program Performance-based Standards.
- The Johnson Youth Center is currently certified by the US Department of Labor's Safety Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP).

Collaboration:

- Johnson Youth Center staff continue to work closely with the Juneau Boys and Girls Club. We have enjoyed a successful partnership since 2007, which supports transition and re-entry services for Johnson Youth Center residents who have completed institutional treatment and are released into Southeast Alaska communities.

Client Success:

- A 17-year old male with a significant history of delinquency, including weapons and drug charges, was admitted to the Johnson Youth Center institutional treatment program. Prior to his admission this young man had been placed at multiple residential programs. While at Johnson Youth Center he completed all of the core services groups and was able to earn a diploma from the Juneau-Douglas High School. Ultimately this young man successfully completed his transition plan into the Anchorage community, and is currently living in foster care and working two jobs.
- Another young man with a significant history of drug abuse was placed at Johnson Youth Center after a robbery charge. Prior treatment included out of state psychiatric treatment. After struggling in the early months of treatment, this youth eventually earned the privilege of off-center passes. He went to work one day, and failed to return to the unit. When he was picked up, he was under the influence of drugs. Several months later, this scenario repeated itself. He failed to return from an AA/NA meeting and, when picked up, was under the influence of drugs. Again some months later, this young man failed to return after a visit with his mother. This time he was on evasion of custody status for approximately one month. When he was returned to the facility, drug testing showed a lower level of drugs than had previously been the case. At that time, the decision was made to develop a reintegration plan that included residential substance abuse treatment in another state where his father was living. Johnson Youth Center staff traveled to Washington to help the youth and his father in the transition process. The youth successfully completed residential substance abuse treatment, obtained a job, and continues to live with his father while saving for an apartment of his own.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.05 Administration of Welfare, Social Services and Institutions
 AS 47.10 Children in Need of Aid
 AS 47.12 Delinquent Minors
 AS 47.14 Juvenile Institutions
 AS 47.15 Uniform Interstate Compact on Juveniles
 AS 47.17 Child Protection
 AS 47.18 Programs and Services Related to Adolescents
 AS 47.21 Adventure Based Education
 AS 47.37 Uniform Alcoholism and Intoxication Treatment Act
 7 AAC 52 Juvenile Correctional Facilities and Juvenile Detention Facilities
 7 AAC 54 Administration

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**Johnson Youth Center
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2008 Actuals	FY2009 Management Plan	FY2010 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	2,408.4	2,726.3	2,876.6
72000 Travel	6.4	3.5	3.5
73000 Services	372.2	254.3	254.3
74000 Commodities	226.8	228.0	228.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	94.8	108.7	108.7
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	3,108.6	3,320.8	3,471.1
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	11.0	50.6	52.2
1004 General Fund Receipts	3,040.5	3,192.1	3,340.8
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	57.1	78.1	78.1
Funding Totals	3,108.6	3,320.8	3,471.1

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2008 Actuals	FY2009 Management Plan	FY2010 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues				
Federal Receipts	51010	11.0	50.6	52.2
Interagency Receipts	51015	57.1	78.1	78.1
Restricted Total		68.1	128.7	130.3
Total Estimated Revenues		68.1	128.7	130.3

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2009 Management Plan to FY2010 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2009 Management Plan	3,192.1	50.6	78.1	3,320.8
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-FY2010 Wage and Health Insurance Increases for Bargaining Units with Existing Agreements	73.5	1.6	0.0	75.1
Proposed budget increases:				
-Front Line Staffing for Johnson Youth Center	75.2	0.0	0.0	75.2
FY2010 Governor	3,340.8	52.2	78.1	3,471.1

**Johnson Youth Center
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs	
	FY2009 Management Plan	FY2010 Governor		
Full-time	33	34	Annual Salaries	1,675,683
Part-time	0	0	COLA	65,724
Nonpermanent	3	3	Premium Pay	889
			Annual Benefits	969,158
			<i>Less 0.00% Vacancy Factor</i>	(0)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	165,165
Totals	36	37	Total Personal Services	2,876,619

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Administrative Assistant II	0	0	1	0	1
Administrative Clerk II	0	0	1	0	1
Administrative Officer I	0	0	1	0	1
Juvenile Justice Officer I	0	0	1	0	1
Juvenile Justice Officer II	0	0	19	0	19
Juvenile Justice Officer III	0	0	6	0	6
Juvenile Justice Supt I	0	0	1	0	1
Juvenile Justice Unit Supv	0	0	2	0	2
Maint Gen Journey	0	0	1	0	1
Mntl Hlth Clinician II	0	0	1	0	1
Nurse II	0	0	2	0	2
Social Services Associate II	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	0	0	37	0	37