



Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Member Application

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Part I. General Information

1. **Participation:** Choose the desired area of representation.

- ☐ Community-Based Alcohol and Drug Program
- ☒ At-Large Community Member

2. **Applicant Information:**

Name: Lee Bonner			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) :			
Position Title:	Youth Advocate		
Address:	[REDACTED]		
City: <small>Dublin CA 94568</small>	State:	Zip Code:	
Phone:	Ext:	Cel:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]		
Preferred Method of Contact: <input type="checkbox"/> EMAIL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PHONE <input type="checkbox"/> MAIL			



Part II. Background and Experience

Please describe your personal and/or professional experience working with youth?

I am the founder and leader of a youth organization called "Taqwaa's Youth Diversion" (TYD). I taught a 9 week Self Advocacy

course in Juvenile Hall in Martinez CA. I currently mentor youth at Oakland High School, Bretheart Middle School, and the youth from my community in East Oakland California..

I own and operate a personal, savoriz.org, and handyman company called "Intricate Details LLC," in which I employ formerly incarcerated youth and adults. In this role I also teach entrepreneurship.

Part III. Additional Information (Attach Additional sheets, as necessary)

Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

To break the pipe-line from juvenile to adult prison.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

To be instrumental at creating alternatives to incarceration and to create a true rehabilitation reentry program for the youth.

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I am a the Housing Advocate for Legal Services For Prisoners With Children, and a Community Organizer for All Of Us Or None. I'm in daily contact and mentor all races in the Bay Area.



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What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

A Safe and Stable Environment for youth upon their reentry back in our society.

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Signature:		Date:	2/20/2025
Print Name:	Lee Bonner		
Title:	Youth Mentor		
Representing:	East Oakland and Dublin California		

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2. Applicant Information:

Name: Robert Bowden		
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : Homeboy Hotline		
Position Title:	Founder	
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City: <small>Oakland Ca 94601</small>	State:	Zip Code:
Phone: 4048401074	Ext:	Cell:
Email:	[REDACTED]	
Preferred Method of Contact: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMAIL <input type="checkbox"/> PHONE <input type="checkbox"/> MAIL		



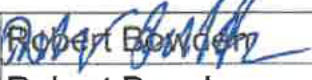
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What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

I think the biggest barrier is access to resources after entering the judicial system second chance opportunities and mental health evaluation and therapy

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Signature:		Date:	2/28/25
Print Name:	Robert Bowden		
Title:	Founder		
Representing:	Hoomeboy Hotline		

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2. Applicant Information:

Name: L. Lawrence Brandon			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : Evergreen Community Development Corporation			
Position Title:	President		
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Please describe your personal and/or professional experience working with youth?

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Signature:		Date:	2-10-2025
Print Name:	L. Lawrence Brandon		
Title:	President		
Representing:	Evergreen Community Development Corporation		

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As a senior pastor, I have a deep personal commitment to improving the lives of youth. I served in the United States Air Force as a Substance Abuse Counselor, and through our Nonprofit Corporation (Northwest Louisiana Community Development Corporation), I have received Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) training. My personal and professional work is dedicated to serving young people, empowering them, and encouraging them to overcome challenges as they find hope for their future. My passion has been shaped by my experiences as a father, my work in ministry, and the tragedy of losing my eldest son to senseless violence. This heartbreaking event ignited a passion within me to provide a safe, nurturing environment for young men, particularly those who face difficult circumstances.

In response to this need, I established a transitional home for teenage boys between the ages of 16 and 20. This home serves as a sanctuary, offering mentorship, emotional support, and practical skills that these young men need to navigate life's challenges. It is more than just a place to live; it is a place where they are encouraged to dream, heal, and grow into leaders.

In addition, I established the "That's My Daddy Initiative" as a response to the alarming fatherlessness in our communities. This initiative seeks to strengthen the relationship between fathers and their children. It ensures young men and women have positive male role models who can guide them through the complexities of life. By fostering father-child relationships, I believe generational cycles of trauma and violence can be broken, creating stronger families and communities.

Through these initiatives, my aim is to offer hope, guidance, and the opportunity for transformation. I have witnessed the power of love, faith, and community in turning lives around. It is my desire to continue providing support to young people who need it most.

Part III. Additional Information (Attach Additional sheets. As necessary)

Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

I am committed to advocating for at-risk youth and addressing the systemic challenges they face. I am especially focused in the context of the juvenile justice system. As a senior pastor, father, and founder of a transitional home for young men, I have seen the struggles youth, especially those from underserved communities, encounter. My personal experience with the tragic loss of my son to senseless violence, combined with my professional work, has fueled my passion for creating positive change for youth caught in cycles of trauma, incarceration, and neglect.

Joining the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council offers a unique opportunity for me to directly contribute to a system that plays a pivotal role in shaping the futures of young people. I believe my background in providing mentorship and support to young men, particularly those in transitional stages of life, aligns with the council's mission to improve outcomes for youth involved with the juvenile justice system.

I believe proper guidance, resources, and opportunities, provide youth with tools to overcome their circumstances and become productive individuals. Through my work with the "That's My Daddy Initiative" and my involvement in the lives of young men in my community, I have learned the critical importance of building strong support systems. I am eager to bring this knowledge and experience to the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council to help develop and implement programs that prioritize rehabilitation, family strengthening, and the reduction of recidivism.

As a member of the Council, I hope to collaborate with other like-minded individuals to advocate for policies and initiatives that will empower youth, provide access to meaningful education and rehabilitation, and ultimately reduce the number of young people who fall through the cracks of the justice system. I am committed to using my voice, experience, and faith to bring hope and healing to youth in need.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

As a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, my primary objective will be to contribute to the development and implementation of policies and initiatives that prioritize rehabilitation, prevention, and support for youth within the justice system. My desire is to bring a unique perspective to the council, informed by my personal experiences

One key goal is to work towards a compassionate, restorative approach to juvenile justice. This would focus on addressing the root causes of delinquency, such as poverty, trauma, and lack of family support. I believe by providing young people with the resources and guidance they need recidivism rates will decline. I will work to ensure policies prioritize education, mentorship, and families. This will create a pathway for young people to turn their lives around and become contributing members of society.

Another objective or goal is to raise awareness about the importance of father involvement in the lives of at-risk youth. I aim to advocate for programs that help build and strengthen father-child relationships, providing young people with the emotional support they need to thrive.

In terms of expectations, I hope to collaborate with fellow members of the Council to shape policies and create programs that have a tangible impact on the lives of young people. I expect to engage in thoughtful discussions, share insights from my work in the community, and learn from other professionals with expertise in juvenile justice. Ultimately, I hope to help create a more just and supportive system for youth, one that offers second chances, promotes rehabilitation, and addresses the underlying issues that lead to juvenile justice involvement.

The County of Alameda is comprised of a diverse population, including those with a range of cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds. Describe your familiarity working with individuals with various life experiences?

Throughout my personal and professional work, I have worked with youth from a wide range of cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds. As a senior pastor and community leader, I constantly interact with people from different walks of life. This work has taught me the

importance of understanding and respecting the unique experiences and perspectives each person brings, especially those who face systemic barriers or difficult life circumstances.

I have extensive experience counseling and supporting families and individuals from diverse backgrounds. This work has given me insight into the complexities of different cultural perspectives, particularly as they relate to family dynamics, community involvement, and faith. I've learned that cultural sensitivity is key to building trust and fostering an environment where people feel heard and supported.

Additionally, through my work with at-risk youth, I have been involved in addressing the challenges faced by individuals from lower socioeconomic backgrounds. These young people often come from neighborhoods affected by violence, poverty, and systemic disenfranchisement. In my efforts to help them succeed, I have developed a strong understanding of the social, emotional, and economic factors that influence their behavior and decision-making.

This experience has reinforced my understanding of how important it is to offer culturally appropriate interventions that meet the specific needs of everyone. In all my work, I have emphasized the importance of empathy, open-mindedness, and creating spaces where people can share their stories and feel understood. These values will continue to guide me as I work within the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, ensuring that all voices—regardless of background—are heard and that solutions are tailored to the diverse needs of the population we serve.

What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

The youth in Alameda County face several obstacles that can affect their development and opportunities for success. One of the most pressing issues is poverty, which limits access to essential resources like stable housing, insurance, nutritious food, and education. For many young people, these financial constraints create barriers. Additionally, mental health issues and substance abuse are significant concerns. To address these obstacles, an approach is needed to focus on improving access to education, economic opportunities, mentorship, trauma-informed care, and mental health services. As a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, I would work to develop and support programs that provide comprehensive support to youth, helping them overcome these barriers and build brighter, more hopeful futures.



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2. **Applicant Information:**

Name: Dieudonné Brou			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : URBAN PEACE MOVEMENT, Oakland			
Position Title:	Juvenile Justice Advocacy Coordinator		
Address:	[REDACTED]		
City:	Oakland	State: CA	Zip Code: [REDACTED]
Phone:	[REDACTED]	Ext:	Cell:
Email:	[REDACTED]		
Preferred Method of Contact: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMAIL <input type="checkbox"/> PHONE <input type="checkbox"/> MAIL			



Part II. Background and Experience

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I have been working with at risk youth since 2016. I began my supporting young people who had parents that were incarcerated. I then went on to work as a behavioral counselor and life coach at Encinal High School, Roosevelt Middle and Oakland Tech. From there I began with Urban Peace Movement and currently lead our healing centered group called Determination Black Mens Group where we provide a safe restorative healing space and environment that provides access to life skills, job training and internships. While building the collective knowledge of self awareness spiritually, and emotionally that produces leaders in the community

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Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

I believe my lived experience, whether it being incarcerated or displaying the resilience upon my return to the community and being an example of what's possible for our youth ; I believe that I would be able to contribute in a meaningful way that helps improve the overall life outcomes for our youth.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

To be more proactive in the ways we respond to the needs of youth. That conversations are not just focused on the worst outcomes of our youth but the best possibilities that our youth can achieve.

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At Urban Peace Movement we supported youth from various backgrounds. We support youth and their families that dealt with housing insecurity. I am currently supporting a youth who has been dealing with several mental health crises.




What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

The obstacles are are less programs geared towards youth. Employment opportunities
internships and apprenticeships. Mental health services, life coaching and mentorship's, and
housing insecurity.

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Signature:		Date:	02/28/2025
Print Name:	Dieudonné Brou		
Title:	Juvenile Justice Advocacy Coordinator		
Representing:	Urban Peace Movement		

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2. **Applicant Information:**

Name: Adriana Canales			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself): Fresh Lifelines for Youth			
Position Title:	STAY FLY Lead CM		
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City: Oakland, Ca. 94621	State:	Zip Code:	
Phone: 408-221-9889	Ext:	Cell:	[REDACTED]
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For 20 years I have been a case manager working with the sever at-risk youth. It wasn't until I joined FLY's Reentry Team in 2019 that my passion for system impacted youth began to evolve.

I am very interested in joining a community that will brainstorm and apply supports for juveniles in the hopes of eliminating recidivism.

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Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

To network with other CBO's, support new ideas, and overall be a representative for youth "voice", and do the best we can to overcome the pipeline to prison.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

SEL skills have been a great help in eliminating recidivism at FLY. As a council member I would love to share how often SEL skills work in all aspects of supporting at-risk youth.

Once examples have been given of workshops we have incorporated with ILS skills, all areas of support including but not limited to housing, employment, and higher education may be seen in a "different light".

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As a former at-risk youth myself (an example of ICWA), I am a proud supporter of the Indian Health Center Native American non-profit.

There is not much exposure when it comes to the needs of Native American youth in the justice system, I'm hoping to bring that to the table as a council member.



What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

SEL skills. So many youth turn down housing opportunities, higher education, and employment support all due to not having experience differentiating SEL skills.

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Signature:	Adriana Canales <i>Adriana Canales</i>	Signed by:	Date:	2/28/25
Print Name:	Adriana Canales <small>0AE8FEA35D9B49A...</small>			
Title:	STAY FLY Program Lead CM			
Representing:	Fresh Lifelines for Youth			

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2. **Applicant Information:**

Name: Adrienne Hogg			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : Community Works West, Inc.			
Position Title:	Co-Executive Director		
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City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Phone:	Ext:	Cell	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]		
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With my current work experience at Community Works, I have been working directly with youth for the past 8 + years.

I have participated in restorative circles with youth as well as hired them as interns to work along side me for various activities. I have been on the board of 3 schools (primary, middle and high schools), which has led me to interact with youth on school activities like fundraising events. On a personal level, I spent 7 years chaperoning youth (ages 7 - 17) for an annual 6-weekend program that took youth from the bay area to the snow.

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Community Works serves with justice involved youth and specifically we offer a diversion program to keep youth from entering juvenile justice systems. With the closure of state facilities, we expect there will be more work for us to do in helping youth be accountable for their actions, while making amends to persons harmed.

Involvement with this committee will allow us to stay plugged into detention alternatives.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

I hope that the JJCC will focus on supporting youth to overcome some of the complex challenges that they face in their lives, many of which lead them to making poor choices. As a member of the committee, resident of the county and leader of a community-based organization my expectation is that the youth and their well-being will always be at the forefront of all discussions and decisions that come before the committee.

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As a Black female, I have been navigating diverse spaces my entire life.

I am a native to Oakland and the SF Bay Area so I have spent my life living among and working with diverse populations.



PROBATION

What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

When youth encounter trauma or find themselves in difficult situations they don't often have the ability, resources or support to navigate these challenges. Finding ways to help youth promote healthy thinking patterns, develop coping strategies and build trusted relationships will be important to their ability to move past their challenges.

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Representing:	Community Works West, Inc.		

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Part I. General Information

1. **Participation:** Choose the desired area of representation.

- ☐ Community-Based Alcohol and Drug Program
- ☒ At-Large Community Member

2. **Applicant Information:**

Name: Khantane Jackson			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : Health and Human Resource Education Center			
Position Title:	TAY Program Manager		
Address:	[REDACTED]		
City:	[REDACTED]	State: CA	Zip Code: [REDACTED]
Phone:	[REDACTED]	Ext:	Cell: [REDACTED]
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Part II. Background and Experience

Please describe your personal and/or professional experience working with youth?

I began working with youth at 15 as an intern at Youth Uprising, but my passion for community work truly grew at the Rainbow Recreation Center.

As the eldest sibling, I've always felt called to advocate for future generations. In 2021, I joined my current non-profit as an intern, eventually becoming the TAY Coordinator and now Program Manager as of July 2024. I've led peer support groups, health and wellness workshops, and job readiness trainings across Alameda County. In 2023, I began training in Restorative Justice through RJOY's youth program, which has become a core part of my work. I now facilitate Community Building Circles and have partnered with Dewey Academy and Castlemont High School to run four-week cohorts, offering circles, job readiness trainings, and creative outlets like art and dance.

Part III. Additional Information (Attach Additional sheets, as necessary)

Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

As an advocate for the holistic health and wellness of youth, I am deeply committed to expanding my work into the area of youth justice. My background in Restorative Justice has shown me the power of healing-centered approaches, but my true motivation comes from my personal experience growing up in Oakland. I have witnessed firsthand how systemic inequities negatively impact young people, especially youth of color, and I am tired of seeing them fall victim to a system that often criminalizes rather than supports them.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

Becoming a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council would allow me to actively contribute to creating meaningful change. I want to advocate for solutions that prioritize prevention, accountability, and community-based support over punitive measures. I believe in amplifying youth voices, promoting restorative practices, and ensuring that wellness and equity are at the core of juvenile justice efforts. My goal is to help shift the narrative from punishment to healing and opportunity, so our youth can thrive instead of being trapped in cycles of harm.

The County of Alameda is comprised of a diverse population, including those with a range of cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds. Describe your familiarity working with individuals with various life experiences?

Through my work at the Health and Human Resource Education Center (HHREC), I have engaged with youth from diverse backgrounds across Alameda County. While my primary focus has been working with African American youth in Oakland, I have also supported youth in Hayward, San Leandro, and Berkeley, connecting with individuals from various ethnicities and socioeconomic backgrounds. As a current member of Alameda County's Youth Advisory Board, I've had the opportunity to work with youth who have faced a wide range of life experiences, including homelessness, substance use challenges, and different forms of trauma. My involvement with HHREC, the Youth Advisory Board, RJOY, Urban Peace Movement, and other community spaces has deepened my understanding and strengthened my ability to support youth from all walks of life.



What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

From my personal experience as a current youth in Alameda County, I can speak directly to the challenges faced by young people in Oakland. The conditions we live in and see in our community are not healthy.

There's a heavy presence of trauma and darkness that often goes unaddressed, with not enough focus on healing. We live in a capitalist society that constantly pushes for "work, work, work," leaving many families and youth stuck in survival mode. Prioritizing wellness feels nearly impossible. Street culture also has a strong influence on many young people in the city. It's deeply ingrained in older generations and carries an allure that continues to pull youth in.

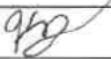
But the root of the problem is systemic. Growing up in the public school system, I witnessed how it continuously fails our youth. Many of my peers didn't receive the care and love they needed- sometimes not even at home.

Schools focus more on performance than on students' well-being, leaving youth to neglect their mental, physical, and spiritual health. Our biggest obstacle is the lack of wellness.

Youth are struggling with mental health challenges, often without proper coping mechanisms, leading some to self-medicate through substance use. We need to cultivate spaces that affirm the light within our youth, because too many forces right now are working against it.

Part IV. Certification and Agreement

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Signature:		Date:	2/21/25
Print Name:	Khantane Jackson		
Title:	TAY Program Manager		
Representing:	Health and Human Resource Education Center		

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2. **Applicant Information:**

Name: Dr. Tandra Robinson Mola			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : Youth Advocate Programs, Inc			
Position Title:	Program Director		
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Phone:	Ext:	Cell	[REDACTED]
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See Separate Sheet

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Signature:	Tambra Robinson Mola	Date:	12-24-24
Print Name:	Tambra Robinson Mola		
Title:	Program Director		
Representing:	Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.		

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Part II. Background and Experience: Personal and Professional Experience Working with Youth

I am a dedicated social worker with 30 years of experience working with individuals, families, and communities, with a particular emphasis on empowering youth. Throughout my career, I have focused on creating pathways for young people to thrive, particularly those navigating significant barriers such as involvement in the justice system, homelessness, academic challenges, and employment struggles.

Expanded Key Experiences

Longstanding Commitment:

With three decades of experience, I have developed a comprehensive understanding of the unique challenges youth face. I have used this expertise to advocate for their needs, create tailored interventions, and guide them toward achieving their goals, including securing stable housing and employment opportunities.

Program Development and Leadership:

In my roles, including as a Program Director, I have designed and implemented innovative programs to meet the diverse needs of youth. These initiatives have included creating Individualized Service Plans (ISPs), leading group sessions, and developing programs focused on life skills training, job readiness, housing stability, and personal growth.

Holistic Support:

I approach youth development holistically, addressing their emotional, social, physical, and economic needs. I have successfully collaborated with schools, probation officers, housing authorities, employers, and community organizations to establish comprehensive support systems that foster long-term stability and success.

Experience Across Generations:

My extensive experience spans multiple generations of youth, allowing me to adapt to evolving societal trends and challenges. This adaptability ensures my work remains relevant, effective, and impactful in addressing the needs of today's youth, including the challenges of finding employment and securing safe, stable housing.

Empathy and Trust-Building:

Building trust is at the core of my work. I have cultivated environments where young people feel heard, respected, and supported, empowering them to take an active role in shaping their futures.

Additional Key Experiences:

Mentorship and Advocacy:

Through both one-on-one and group mentorship, I have provided guidance on academics, career development, and personal growth. I have also worked closely with youth to navigate housing challenges, employment barriers, and other critical life needs. My

advocacy efforts include working with families, schools, employers, landlords, probation officers, and community organizations to ensure youth receive the resources and support they need.

Crisis Intervention:

I have extensive experience working with at-risk youth in crisis, including those facing homelessness or justice system involvement. I develop empathetic, practical solutions to help them secure stable housing, find employment, build resilience, and achieve stability.

Empowering Youth Voices:

Creating safe spaces for youth to express themselves is a cornerstone of my work. I encourage young people to participate actively in shaping their paths, fostering confidence and leadership, while guiding them to advocate for their housing, education, and employment needs.

Housing and Employment Support:

I have assisted youth in accessing affordable housing, working closely with housing agencies and landlords to ensure stability. Additionally, I have supported youth in job placement, resume building, interview preparation, and workplace readiness, collaborating with employers to create opportunities that align with their skills and aspirations.

Cultural Proficiency/Humility:

Having worked with diverse populations, I have honed my ability to address cultural, social, and emotional differences effectively, ensuring that equity and inclusivity are central to my practice.

Over the past 30 years, I have been committed to making a meaningful difference in the lives of young people. This passion and expertise drive my work, and I remain dedicated to guiding youth toward positive outcomes and brighter futures.

Part III. Additional Information

Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

I want to serve on the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council to contribute my experience and insight in creating impactful strategies that address the unique challenges faced by youth in our community. My goal is to help shape policies and programs that prioritize prevention, rehabilitation, and equitable opportunities for all youth, particularly in areas like housing, employment, and education. I believe that my decades of experience working with justice-involved youth, designing programs, and collaborating with stakeholders will be invaluable in advancing the Council's mission.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, and your expectations as a member?

My primary objectives include:

- Advocating for youth-centered, trauma-informed, and culturally responsive practices.
- Supporting initiatives that reduce recidivism and improve outcomes for justice-involved youth, including access to housing and employment opportunities.
- Strengthening partnerships between community organizations, schools, employers, housing authorities, and justice agencies to create comprehensive support networks.

As a member, I expect to collaborate with other stakeholders to address systemic issues and contribute to actionable solutions that foster equity and opportunity for all youth in Alameda County.

Describe your familiarity working with individuals with various life experiences.

Throughout my career, I have worked with individuals from diverse cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds. My work has involved supporting youth and families from under-resourced communities, justice-involved youth, and those experiencing homelessness or instability. I have developed culturally competent approaches that recognize and honor the unique experiences of each individual, ensuring they feel respected and valued.

What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

The primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County include:

- **Systemic Inequities:** Limited access to quality education, healthcare, housing, and employment disproportionately affects youth from marginalized communities.
- **Justice System Challenges:** Justice-involved youth often face barriers to reintegration, such as stigma and limited access to rehabilitative services, stable housing, and employment opportunities.
- **Economic Disparities:** Youth in low-income households face increased pressure to contribute financially, which can hinder educational and personal development.
- **Mental Health and Trauma:** Many youth experience untreated mental health issues or the effects of trauma, which impact their ability to thrive.

Addressing these obstacles requires a collaborative and holistic approach that ensures every young person has the resources, opportunities, and support they need to succeed. As a member of the Council, I am committed to working toward these goals.



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2. Applicant Information:

Name: Celsa L. Snead, Esq.		
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : The Mentoring Center		
Position Title:	Executive Director	
Address:		
City: Oakland	State:	Zip Code:
Phone:		Cell:
Email:		
Preferred Method of Contact: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMAIL <input type="checkbox"/> PHONE <input type="checkbox"/> MAIL		



Part II. Background and Experience

Please describe your personal and/or professional experience working with youth?

Please see attached sheet.

Part III. Additional Information (Attach Additional sheets, as necessary)

Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

Please see attached sheet.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

My primary goal is to represent community-based organizations, generally, and to represent and to represent the interests and perspectives of the youth who are supported by The Mentoring Center, specifically.

As a member, my expectations are to continue to make significant and meaningful contributions to expanding the responses to juvenile crime and aligning the resources with the greatest need.

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All (100%) of the youth and young adults that The Mentoring Center supports (including justice-involved formerly incarcerated or detained and other systems-impacted youth are youth of color. Though these youth come from a range of socio-economic backgrounds, the majority of them are considered low income. Most of the youth we serve are Black/African American, but we also serve Latina/Latino youth (and have Spanish language capacity) and have served Southeast Asian youth and young adults. Our staff is culturally reflective of who we serve and many share lived experiences similar to those of our youth.

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Part II. Background and Experience

My experience working with justice-involved youth and community youth at The Mentoring Center began when I became the program director of Oakland's first detention-diversion program. In this capacity, I worked directly with youth, as well as participated in the program design and collaborated with the juvenile courts, probation department, other community-based organizations and youth and their families.

I also brought services to girls and young women to The Mentoring Center with Transformative Mentoring groups for girls, for which I provided weekly mentoring groups at the JJC, and our EMERGE Academy.

Before coming to The Mentoring Center, I worked as a juvenile attorney, and represented youth in delinquency and dependency matters.

Part III. Additional Information

I want to continue to be a member of the JJCC because I am currently a member and would very much like to continue collaborating with the other members and with Alameda County Probation to ensure that the youth who have the greatest need for services receive the appropriate resources. As a member of the JJCC, I have learned that there can be better alignment between these youth and their needs, and the services and resources available to them and their families, and I would like to contribute to making sure that this alignment is greater.

In addition to this, I am invested in ensuring that our youth have access to comprehensive and effective alternatives to detention and other highly punitive responses to crime and I am committed to creating and/or expanding viable, community-centered, culturally-congruent responses to juvenile crime that divert youth from deeper involvement in the juvenile justice system.

Finally, I am on the workgroup of the JJCC to work on the annual plan to be submitted to the State in May. I would like to continue to participate in this work group for this plan and for subsequent plans to support continuing the building the JJCC is doing to ensure that the most vulnerable youth in our county are supported.

Thank you for your consideration. I appreciate the opportunity to make a meaningful contribution on behalf of young people in Alameda County.




What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

After serving much of my first term on the JJCC, I recognize that some of the primary obstacles that youth face in Alameda County include access to appropriate, culturally-responsive services that are aligned with their needs, especially mental health services. Additionally, there is a lack of coordination among youth-serving institutions, including education, behavioral and other health and child welfare systems.

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Signature:		Date:	02/07/2025
Print Name:	Celsa L. Snead		
Title:	Executive Director		
Representing:	The Mentoring Center		

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2. Applicant Information:

Name: Erika Seid, MFT			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : Self			
Position Title:	Licensed Psychotherapist		
Address:	[Redacted] <i>Alameda County Address confirmed</i>		
City: Oakland	State:	Zip Code:	
Phone:	Ext:	[Redacted]	Cell:
Email:	[Redacted]		
Preferred Method of Contact: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMAIL <input type="checkbox"/> PHONE <input type="checkbox"/> MAIL			



Part II. Background and Experience

Please describe your personal and/or professional experience working with youth?

As a psychotherapist in private practice I have worked extensively with youth involved in the juvenile justice system. I have a specialty working with youth with sexual behavior problems and have provided mandated treatment to young people in Alameda, Contra Costa and San Mateo counties who are required to complete treatment as part of their probation. I have also served Alameda County youth who have completed their sentence at DJJ and have the opportunity to receive voluntary therapy services provided by probation as part of their re-entry support system.

Part III. Additional Information (Attach Additional sheets, as necessary)

Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

I no longer have an office in Alameda County, although I am a resident of the county, so I no longer serve youth there who are on probation here. Nevertheless, I remain committed to supporting the mental health of this population and the JJCC seems like a non-clinical way for me to be involved.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

Not sure. I would need to learn more about what the JJCC actually does to identify my personal goals or objectives. I would like to be part of making sure these young people get the support they need to succeed in this world and this seems like a good place to do that.

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I have been practicing for almost 25 years and have always served a diverse array of Bay Area community members in my practice. I speak Spanish and I have always accepted MediCal, both of which factors have ensured that the clients I serve represent many different groups. My office is not ADA compliant, so I have not served many clients with physical disabilities for whom access to my office would be difficult.



What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

Safe educational environments where young people are held to high standards of achievement and are given the resources and mentorship to meet them. Low income youth may experience unstable or inadequate housing and/or lack of access to the stable and consistent structure necessary to achieve academically and/or in the development of marketable skills to develop a career. Not enough adults around them who believe in their potential for success, and too many who believe they will fail.

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Signature:	Erika L. Seid	Date:	12/31/24
Print Name:	Erika L. Seid		
Title:	Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist		
Representing:	Self		

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2. **Applicant Information:**

Name: DR. AUDRA STANCE			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : BWIT LUXURIOUS FOSTERING			
Position Title:	CEO		
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City: LIVERMORE	State:	Zip Code:	
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I was a foster parent for 5 years and it inspired me to help more youth! I opened a THP_NMD for foster youth 18-21.

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I am a pillar in my community by housing over 40 foster youth and by providing luxurious living spaces.

I also started a moving company hiring felons that are youth!

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

I would love to add more opportunities for housing, financial assistance, mentorship programs, jobs, and mental health services.

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I come from the exact diverse background. I to was a criminal who turned my life around as an adult. I was heavy in the streets of Oakland. Im currently writing a book called "From a HOE to a CEO". I want to tell my story and give back to my community.



What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

Housing, resources for financial assistance, jobs, mental health services, food.

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Signature:	DR. AUDRA STANCE	Date:	02/22/2025
Print Name:	DR.AUDRA STANCE		
Title:	CEO		
Representing:	BWIT LUXURIOUS FOSTERING		

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2. **Applicant Information:**

Name: Emily Tunnat, OTR/L		
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : OTTP-SF (a division of Special Service for Groups (SSG), Inc)		
Position Title:	Occupational Therapist and Program Manager	
Address:	[REDACTED]	
City: Oakland	State:	Zip Code:
Phone: 628.278.0901	Ext:	Cell:
Email:	[REDACTED]	
Preferred Method of Contact: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMAIL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PHONE <input type="checkbox"/> MAIL		



Part II. Background and Experience

Please describe your personal and/or professional experience working with youth?

My career has been dedicated to promoting opportunities for youth. For the past five plus years, I have been a community-based mental health occupational therapist working with youth in the Bay Area with mental health challenges, including youth incarcerated in San Francisco and Alameda Counties. I am currently the lead of the first occupational therapy program at Alameda County JJC on the general population and firm roots (secure track) units, as well as working with youth in the community through Wraparound program. It is my job to center youth's voices, explore their values, strengths, and interests, and develop the skills needed to improve their functioning and achieve their personal goals. I have worked extensively with youth on secure track and general population units to build their positive self-concept, sense of efficacy, and skills for self-regulation, problem solving, empathy, perspective taking, and independent living by harnessing their interests and offering motivating, therapeutic activities. I have also been a CASA in Alameda County and a volunteer support group facilitator for youth experiencing grief.

Part III. Additional Information (Attach Additional sheets, as necessary)

Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

I want to leverage my current experience on the ground at Alameda County Juvenile Justice Center (JJC) to advocate for the expressed needs of youth currently or recently incarcerated, to minimize the gaps between current resources, programming, and processes, and collaborate to remove structural barriers to youth meeting their rehabilitation goals and successfully reintegrating to their communities in ways that are sustainable and set them up to thrive. I am excited by the possibility of collaborating to evaluate and develop the plan to meet the rehabilitation needs of youth who are justice involved and to best set them up for success in contributing to their community and thus prevent recidivism. I see the good intentions as well as obstacles at play at JJC, and I want to do my part to develop long-term planning in support of the youth who are justice-impacted.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

My goals would be to evaluate programming, facilities, and plans, to reduce gaps in offerings of programming and resources, and to best set youth up for success in meeting their rehabilitation goals and leading meaningful lives of their choosing in reintegrating to their communities. My expectations as a member are that I will come to quarterly and additional meetings prepared with organized thoughts and ideas while listening foremost, checking my privileges, and applying my collaborative spirit and can-do attitude in cultivating a comprehensive plan for youth who are justice-impacted.

The County of Alameda is comprised of a diverse population, including those with a range of cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds. Describe your familiarity working with individuals with various life experiences?

The diverse life experiences and cultures of Alameda County make me feel proud and lucky to live and work here. I am experienced with working with clients, colleagues, and community partners from a variety of cultures, races, socioeconomic backgrounds, immigration histories, language capacities, ability/disabilities, cis and trans genders, sexual orientations, neurodivergencies, values, and worldviews. The ways in which power and wealth protect some groups and set other groups up to fail are evident in the populations overrepresented in the justice system. It is my responsibility to approach all with humility, lead with listening, self-reflect, not center myself, and to take accountability for my learning. To this goal, I participate in ongoing professional anti-oppression and anti-racism trainings and working groups offered by SFDPH, A Better Way, and at OTTP.




What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?

Primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County include limited safe spaces in school or community, limited affordable housing, overcrowded classrooms with minimal supports or follow through on individualized education plans, intergenerational trauma, poverty, grief and loss, limited accessible, safe, and convenient transportation between home and resources, lack of follow through from resources, messaging from politicians, authority figures, and the media that youth and their communities do not matter, limited opportunities to be witnessed for their unique strengths or to pursue their individual interests, incarcerated loved ones, caregivers with limited capacity for supervision, advocacy, or parenting strategies, commercial sexual exploitation, violence, waiting lists for services and resources, and bullying.

Part IV. Certification and Agreement

Membership in the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council carries an obligation to participate actively, including the contribution and generation of information, as well as attendance and participation at Committee Meetings. The undersigned hereby agrees to notify Alameda County Probation of any change to information provided in this application, including a change in the entity represented. The undersigned attests that the information provided in this application for Committee Membership is true and accurate.

Signature:		Date:	2/11/2025
Print Name:	Emily Tunhat, OTR/L		
Title:	Occupational Therapist and Program Manager		
Representing:	OTTP-SF, a division of SSG, Inc.		

Applications are due February 10, 2025. Please submit your completed application via mail, fax, or email to the following:

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 Oakland, CA 94607
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 EMAIL: ankane@acgov.org

Questions, please call: (510) 268-7228

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- ☐ Not Selected to be a Member of JJCC Committee at this time

Date Reviewed:

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Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council Member Application

Thank you for your interest in assisting Alameda County Probation in our efforts to evaluate and develop strategies to better serve our youth. We are committed to fostering an inclusive environment that encourages and celebrates the backgrounds, lived experiences, and individual perspectives of all committee participants. All personal information on this application will be kept confidential by Alameda County Probation Department.

Legislative Governance

Welfare and Institution Code 749.22 requires each county to establish a juvenile justice coordinating council that shall develop and implement a continuum of county-based responses to juvenile crime. The coordinating council shall, at a minimum, include the chief probation officer, as chair, and one representative each from the district attorney's office, the public defender's office, the sheriff's department, the board of supervisors, the department of social services, the department of mental health, a community-based drug and alcohol program, a city police department, the county office of education or a school district, and an at-large community representative.

Part I. General Information

1. Participation: Choose the desired area of representation.

- ☐ Community-Based Alcohol and Drug Program
- ☒ At-Large Community Member

2. Applicant Information:

Name: Rev. Cheryl . Ward			
Entity Represented (agency, company, business, group, or yourself) : Cheryl Ward Ministries			
Position Title:	President		
Address:	[REDACTED]		
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Phone:	Ext:	Cell:	[REDACTED]
Email:	[REDACTED]		
Preferred Method of Contact: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EMAIL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PHONE <input type="checkbox"/> MAIL			



Part II. Background and Experience

Please describe your personal and/or professional experience working with youth?

As president of Cheryl Ward Ministries(CWM) for the past two decades,

I have personally provided counseling and support to incarcerated youth and their families, as well as on-going workshops for families and communities affected by inner-city violence, poverty, and other issues contributing to a vicious cycle of generational trauma.

CWM provides community outreach, academic assistance, and pre-workforce development training for high school and college-age youth, as

well as instilling in the next generation, the knowledge, understanding and training to become servant leaders, defying negative statistics, by rebuilding their families and communities.

Part III. Additional Information (Attach Additional sheets, as necessary)

Why do you want to become a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council?

As an individual possessing a wealth of experience and a sincere commitment to transforming systems and the lives of the next generation, I consider myself an ideal candidate for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council. It is my sincere belief that each of us have a responsibility to play a vital role in the changes we desire to see in our community.

What are your objectives or goals for the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council and your expectations as a member?

As a member of the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, my goal would be to ensure that we maintain a listening ear to both the youth and staff, so we are meeting the needs and designing an effective structure to reduce recidivism. My expectations as a member would be to build and maintain coalitions and collaborations with important community organizations and county stake holders who share the same commitment and vision for the population we serve.

The County of Alameda is comprised of a diverse population, including those with a range of cultural, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds. Describe your familiarity working with individuals with various life experiences?

As a native of Oakland and Alameda County, my life and work has taught me a true appreciation for the diversity of this area. Working with youth in particular has exposed me to a broad range of individuals of different races, ethnicities, backgrounds, beliefs, affiliations, as well as sexual affinity and orientations. It is my belief that this vastness contributes to the beauty of Alameda County, and the world in which we live.



PROBATION

What do you believe are some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County?
 Some of the primary obstacles facing youth in Alameda County stem from the lack of affordability
 in the housing market, inequitable education systems, as well as systems that prevent
 adequate employment, job, and career training opportunities.

Part IV. Certification and Agreement

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Signature:		Date:	January 22, 2025
Print Name:	Cheryl D. Ward		
Title:	President		
Representing:	Cheryl Ward Ministries		

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