



ALAMEDA COUNTY

Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission

MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, December 10, 2025 | 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
2500 Fairmont Drive, San Leandro, CA 94578
Room C-1002
[ZOOM Teleconference](#)

Commissioners Present:

- Shay, Shani (Chair)
 Larios, Xochtil (Vice Chair) Frye, Jasmine Marshall, Paul Peregrina, Jessica **Youth Commissioner**
 Asberry, Aminah Jackson, Aaron Palagummi, Vamsey Scott, Richard Faiyaz, Sara
- Member Emeritus:** Anderson, Louise Metz, Elana Nair, Kamal Nunley, Patricia

Collaborative Partners Present:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Badiey, Naseem, ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gomez, Antonio, ACBH | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moritz, Lucia, ACOE |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Banuelos, Albert, ACPD | <input type="checkbox"/> Gratz-Lazarus, Zach, CAAP | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pappas, Carissa, ACPD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Brown, Jenifer, ACPD | <input type="checkbox"/> Goode, Jessica, ACOE | <input type="checkbox"/> Ross, Javay, UCSF |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Buckner-Preston, Mia, SSA-CWS | <input type="checkbox"/> Harris, Lisa, AC Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Taizan, Juan, ACBH |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cercone, Dante, ACPD | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackson, Scott, ACSC | <input type="checkbox"/> Tate, Hattie, OUSD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chandler, Cynthia, CAAP | <input type="checkbox"/> Jones Dickson, Ursula, DA | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Walton, Robert, ACPD |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conner, Shauna, ACPD | <input type="checkbox"/> Khan, Shereen, ACPD | <input type="checkbox"/> Wegley, Rebecca, ACPD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Donovan, Allyson, DA | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Maemori, William, ACPD | <input type="checkbox"/> Williams, Shahidah, BOS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ebrahimi, John, ACPD | <input type="checkbox"/> Mance, Alphonso, Public Defender | <input type="checkbox"/> Wu, Michael, Public Defender |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Farrell, Sabrina, DA | <input type="checkbox"/> Morimoto, Mas, DA | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yun, Jennifer, ACBH |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ford, Brian, Chief, ACPD | | |

1. **Call to Order and roll call** – Vice Chair Xochtil called the meeting to order at 12:09 PM.
2. **Review and adoption of meeting minutes from November 12, 2025.**
3. **Commission Update(s), Announcements and Comments:**
 - a. Commissioners will be visiting all the open units in facilities for their annual distribution. Commissioners will meet with the youth and provide a meal of chicken tamales, chick and sausage gumbo, and donuts from Donut King.
 - b. In partnership with the Transition Center, the commissioners have delivered 15 bags of groceries to families leaving court.
 - c. Introduction of Deborah Lewis, the new Youth Advisory Council Program Coordinator.
4. **Partner Updates**
 - a. Education
 - i. ACOE – **Lucia Moritz**
 1. Each youth entering Juvenile Hall undergoes a reading assessment with our literacy specialist.
 2. This week is finals weeks for youth enrolled in college. There will be a small break until the start of the Spring semester, which begins January 20, 2026.
 3. One youth will transition to an HBCU in January.
 4. In the 2023-24 school year, approximately 40% of youth upon exiting juvenile hall were not re-enrolled in school. As of last year, based on our internal data and analysis, that rate has decreased to 6%.

5. Currently ACOE has not been impacted by the recent change in alignment for the Department of Education.
6. **Questions from the Commission**
 - a. Are there any recent changes within ACOE?
 - i. Receive very specific federal funding and we are fortunate that we are not undergoing budget issues, we have a reserve.
 - ii. Something to look out for: The quantity of high school students in Juvenile Hall has lowered. Currently, we are not receiving as much funding. Potentially, that maybe reduced in the next couple of years.
 - iii. Current funding is for post-secondary education, which was not impacted by the changes in the Department of Education. We do not foresee any reductions in funding.
 - b. Piloted literacy program
 - i. ACOE is funding the Literacy Specialist position, and OYCR procured the materials and are providing intensive coaching. The goal is for our Literacy Specialist to train other staff.
 - ii. We are using SIPPS, designed for older readers, disguised to look like content they may be interested in, but wouldn't know the reading level.
 - iii. We had a youth who could not read after graduating high school. We decided this could not happen again. Since then, we have committed to supporting youth in growing their capacity in reading.
 - ii. OUSD
 1. No update.
- b. Courts
 - i. Judiciary – **Judge Scott Jackson**
 1. This is my last meeting as presiding judge. I am moving on to Department 710, adult court, presiding over felony trials and preliminary hearings. I will still be designated as a juvenile judge, hearing things like the Heard petitions.
 2. Reminder do not forget about prevention.
 - ii. District Attorney
 1. No update.
 - iii. Public Defender
 1. No update.
 - iv. Court Appointed Attorneys
 1. No update.
- c. Integrated Healthcare
 - i. Medical
 1. No update.
 - ii. Behavioral Health – **Jennifer Yun**
 1. The final Clinician was hired and will be starting on December 22, 2026.
 2. HR has opened the examination for Clinical Supervisor.
 3. In noticing the need for therapy and counseling for the youth, we have focused on reentry and utilizing the behavioral health child and young adult system of care partners. Specifically, we are having a lot of presentations for our clinicians and with partners to help our clinicians facilitate and make recommendations.
- d. Probation
 - i. Facilities Updates – **Julie Marques**
 1. First sailing cohort.
 2. Youth had the opportunity to open personal bank accounts.

3. Community Outreach Program at Camp
 4. Facilities Demographics: Juvenile Hall – 52 youths in Juvenile Hall (46 male, 6 female), 49 youth on GPS (28 male, 6 female), 0 youth on Home Supervision. Firm Roots Academy – 12 Youth (10 male, 2 female). Camp Sweeney – 8 youth (5 camp commitments, 3 Step downs).
- ii. Positive Youth Development (PYD) Updates – **Antonio Gomez**
1. Transition Center (TC) stats for November 2025: 85 youth were serviced by the TC; of the youth serviced 36 youth transitioned out of detention. The remaining 49 were out-of-custody/walk-ins. There were 105 referrals for services, 60 education, 13 Public Health, 16 Behavioral Health, and 16 life coaching. \$3,850 in concrete services were provided to youth.
 2. The TC is working on setting up grocery drop-offs every two weeks in collaboration with Xochtil Larios, Vice Chair of JJDPC and CURYJ.
 3. On November 14, PYD held a Positive Futures Fair in San Antonio Park in partnership with Town Nights and Tribe. We had a record turnout of approximately 1,000.
 - a. There were seven (7) food vendors, and 49 vendors sharing information about their various services. When the vendors left around 5:30 pm, they put out full basketball courts and had roller skating.
 4. The next Positive Futures Fair will be on April 11, 2026. More detail will be given later.
- iii. **Questions from the Commission**
1. Has there been community outreach like the recent event in the past? Specifically, where families were provided with dinners?
 - a. It is this the first time Camp youth have been a part of community outreach.
 2. Has the TC seen any trends from 2025? Do you have any or reflections from 2025?
 - a. Youth and families need counseling services, parenting classes (Family pass, only a few providers), new contracted programs and strengthen bonds.
 - b. It would be beneficial to have a meet and greet for contracted providers, specifically therapy and counseling services. We need to move towards becoming fully staffed. Over the past year, we have continued to strengthen bonds with CBOs.
- e. Social Services – **Mia Buckner-Preston**
- i. The new transitional shelter care facility in Castro Valley is still not opened. However, we are moving towards opening. There is some construction needed onsite as well as a safety plan.
 - ii. We are working with Community Care Licensing, the state to develop a safety plan.
 - iii. We have maintained emergency placements available for young people. Additionally, we have partnered with one of our STRTPs to open a girls' home focused on our trafficked youth.
 - iv. With increase of traffickers showing up to facilities and forcing girls to leave the home and bring other girls with them, we have had some immediate removals requested for this population.
 - v. We are working with a provider to open a facility specifically for CSEC girls for intensive services, beds. We are also working on additional security. We hope to have that facility open within the next 30 days.
 - vi. The extended 29-day visits with families had helped with placement, especially around the holidays.
- vii. **Questions from the Commission**
1. Are you okay with talking offline with the commission on next steps regarding support from the commission?
 - a. YES
 2. Could you clarify the security check previously being around the clock within the facility?
 - a. In respect to facilities, aside from transitional shelter care facilities, security guards cannot be inside the facility where the young people are located. However, they can be stationed outside. With approval, security will be stationed is outside around the clock.
 3. What does it look like if a security guard sees someone who should not be there?
 - a. Because this is the first time that we are securing a facility in this capacity, we are going to have to learn and grow.

- b. A pattern was reported that a few individuals would drive up and park directly in front of specific facilities in Oakland. They would ask younger men on the corners or in the community to go to the door and pretend to be a boyfriend, brother, or cousin of one of the young girls. They would knock on the door to alert the young lady that it was time for her to come out, and for her to bring however many of the young ladies out with her.
- 4. Question: Why did the game change like this?
 - a. I do not know. What am seeing is we had an assessment center with a lot of security, which could have deterred actions in comparison to now. The boldness is new. It has a situation where the person is armed. The age of youth has gotten younger, 11 to 13. It feels like we are being more reactive.
- 5. Question: What happens to the youth at school?
 - a. Unfortunately, the youth are not really connected to school. That is an area we would like to connect with. They used to be on site at the assessment center and are open to ways to reconnect.

5. **Public Comment(s)**
None

6. **Meeting adjourned** at 1:07 pm.
Next Meeting Wednesday, January 14, 2026.
Location: Juvenile Justice Center, 2500 Fairmont Drive, Room C-1002, San Leandro CA