

SFY 2012 STATE JUVENILE DIVERSION AWARDS

Project Period: July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>Denver District Attorney, Juvenile Diversion</u>
Award:	\$126,532
Description:	The Denver District Attorney's Juvenile Diversion Program assists clients in earning restitution dollars to pay victims of crime through the ARTT and Work Program. The program assists clients through culturally competent services that repair the harm caused by crime to victims and the community; increase social and other age appropriate competency skills of offenders and their families and reduce the likelihood of further involvement by the juvenile in the court system.

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>3rd Judicial District</u>
Award:	\$49,169
Description:	The 3rd Judicial District Attorney's Office will continue to develop the diversion program in Las Animas County as an alternative to the formal court system for youth between the ages of 10-17 who have been reported for misdemeanor or felony offenses. This program will provide the community an alternative for holding youth accountable for their behavior, help change the way youth think about their behavior, ensure youth take responsibility for their actions and help ensure that the victims and communities feel safe and restored.

FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>District Attorney's Office, 5th Judicial District</u>
Award:	\$46,659
Description:	The Juvenile Diversion Program is a voluntary pre-criminal file program offered to all eligible youth in the 5th Judicial District where a police report is submitted to the District Attorney's office for prosecution review. The program is offered to all 1st time property offenders and select 2nd time offenders on a case by case basis. The case must be prosecutable in order to be eligible for the program.

SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>La Plata Youth Services</u>
Award:	\$19,948
Description:	The 6th Judicial District Juvenile Diversion Program, Colorado Statute (19-1-103 CRS) is designed to divert youth from the formal court system by providing evidence supported programming and alternatives directed toward positive youth development. The program focuses on youth ages ten to seventeen years of age, implicated in a misdemeanor or felony type of offense, with services provided prior to adjudication or as an adjunct to probation services. Program services last six months to one year long. Youth are referred to the program in lieu of having formal charges filed against them, avoiding further court processes and a permanent criminal record. This saves tax payer dollars and does not label the child a delinquent.

SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>Gunnison County</u>
Award:	\$35,000
Description:	The Gunnison County Juvenile Diversion project is a voluntary pre-file program offered to eligible youth to prevent them from entering the Juvenile Justice System. The program emphasis is holding youth accountable and responsible for their actions. The program elements include: case management, intake screenings and assessments, restitution and apology to victims, life-skills education, cognitive skills training, academic support and referrals for Restorative Justice victim conferencing, mentoring and counseling.
AGENCY:	<u>Hilltop Community Resources, Inc.</u>
Award:	\$49,234
Description:	Montrose County Juvenile Diversion Program's goal is to prevent further involvement of juveniles in the formal justice system. Juvenile Diversion concentrates on holding youth accountable for their behavior while involving them in programs and activities to prevent future criminal and delinquent behavior. The program operates on the idea that juvenile crime can be a symptom of other problems at home, school or within the individual.
AGENCY:	<u>Delta County</u>
Award:	\$55,500
Description:	The Delta County Juvenile Diversion Program operates in concert with all law enforcement agencies, County and District Courts, and the District Attorney's Office to enhance accountability, ensure public safety, and reduce recidivism by preventing future delinquent activity, moving in a continuum from limited interventions to more restrictive penalties to support the need to provide community-based alternatives found to the formal court system for qualifying youth between the ages of 10-17.

EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>Town of Estes Park, Police Department</u>
Award:	\$22,000
Description:	Juvenile offenders who have not received Restorative Justice as diversion in the past, and are not charged with a felonious act of violence or a crime of a sexual nature, which live in the Estes Valley or commit crimes in Estes Valley are eligible for this Community Group Conference model. It brings together victim, offender, and community to identify the harm resulting from the crime and to design a system of repair that will satisfy the victim and community while enabling the offender to make better decisions in the future.
AGENCY:	<u>Center for Family Outreach</u>
Award:	\$72,765
Description:	Larimer County Loveland Diversion will deter further involvement of formal justice system by holding each juvenile accountable for their delinquent actions through alternatives to detention programming.

AGENCY:	<u>City of Fort Collins, Police Services</u>
Award:	\$45,000
Description:	Restorative Justice Services will provide restorative justice conferencing as a diversion option for youth who have committed a chargeable offense in our community. Based on the philosophy of restorative justice, the program will include victims and/or victim representatives and community members in the process and will hold the young offender accountable for the harm caused by the crime.

NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>Youth Zone</u>
Award:	\$100,137
Description:	YouthZone's goal is to divert youth, from filing and adjudication through successful completion in the YouthZone Juvenile Diversion Program. Youth and his/her parents work with the YouthZone diversion case manager to create an individualized, comprehensive plan and contract based on YouthZone Pre-Survey which is administered during the intake assessment. The survey scores are reviewed and a contract is created which encourages continued support in the youth's asset areas, and intervention programs that address the risk areas. The possible services provided may include Restorative Justice, individual and family counseling, useful public service, youth groups and classes such as Girls Circle, Boys Council and Level I Drug and Alcohol Education, overall case management and parenting support services.

TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>10th Judicial District Attorney's Office</u>
Award:	\$40,508
Description:	Take Charge is a positive program that brings intensive case management, cognitive training, academic help and community involvement to youthful offenders at high risk for criminal behavior. The program takes a positive approach, encourages self-esteem and teaches coping skills while providing individualized case management to address the needs for each youth. The goal is to provide enough positive contacts so youth no longer feel the need for criminal involvement and do not re-offend.

ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>District Attorney's Office, 11th Judicial District</u>
Award:	\$77,456
Description:	The Office of the District Attorney in the 11th Judicial District provides Juvenile Diversion services to four counties (Chaffee, Custer, Fremont and Park County). The Juvenile Diversion Program serves low-level offenders ages 10-17 years old. The Diversion Program is in the place to divert youth from the traditional court process while holding them accountable for their behaviors and providing them with avenues to repair harm to the victim and/or community. Diversion services include Teen Court, treatment referrals, recreational programming, restitution program and regular case management.

TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>Center for Restorative Programs</u>
Award:	\$29,850
Description:	Youth 10-17 in the San Luis Valley, with police or SRO contact and at-risk for formal filing of delinquency charges, are offered restorative options to: 1) take responsibility for the harm caused by their behaviors; 2) engage in dialogue, as appropriate, with those harmed; 3) repair the harm through restitution or other indicated reparations; and 4) work at restoring relationships and safety within their community, school, and family.

SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>District Attorney's Office, 17th Judicial District</u>
Award:	\$41,188
Description:	The Seventeenth Judicial District Diversion Program is a pre-file program designed to provide early intervention, counseling, victim reparation and supervision services to youthful offenders who would otherwise be the object of a delinquency petition in District Court. This program focuses on youth identified as having issues in school; poor grades, attendance and behavior. JABG dollars are used to pay for Education Counselor at a ¾ FTE. The Counselor determines the level of intervention needed regarding educational issues. Additionally, if the youth was also identified at with concerns regarding possible mental health and/or substance abuse issues the Counselor makes the appropriate referrals and monitors any treatment.

EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>District Attorney's Office, 18th Judicial District</u>
Award:	\$111,167
Description:	The goal of this program is to bridge identified gaps in the juvenile justice system by providing a comprehensive, evidence based multi-modal juvenile diversion program. This is accomplished by providing evidence based therapy services including wilderness, community service and restorative justice components. This program will continue to complete a thorough, objective program evaluation to determine the success rates and effectiveness of our program. Strategic and operational decisions for the programs direction are made based on these results. Their ultimate goal is to demonstrate the overall effectiveness of our program through reducing recidivism and preventing youth from penetrating further into the juvenile justice system.

NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>District Attorney's Office, 19th Judicial District</u>
Award:	\$63,140
Description:	The Weld County District Attorney's Office Juvenile Diversion Program will be working to divert first-time, non-violent juvenile offenders from the traditional court systems into a restorative justice based program that addresses the juvenile's needs and community safety; thereby repairing the harm caused by the juvenile and encouraging their future endeavors.

TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>Mesa Youth Services dba Mesa County Partners</u>
Award:	\$108,700
Description:	In cooperation with DA's Office and District Court, the Partners Work Program provides community-based restorative justice and accountability focused sanctions for pre-file and post-file offenders involved in misdemeanor and felony cases to prevent further penetration into the justice system.

TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

AGENCY:	<u>Montezuma County Partners, Inc.</u>
Award:	\$89,878
Description:	Montezuma County Partners will assist first and/or second-time juvenile offenders between 10 and 18 years of age in the 22 nd Judicial District including youth from the Ute Mountain Ute Reservation. Referrals are accepted from the District Attorney's office or law enforcement agencies. Pre-trial services to be provided include case management, behavioral contracts, community services, mediation, drug and alcohol testing and connections to the community resources such as counseling, treatment, Parent Project Classes for parents, life skills workshops and career mentoring services.