

UTAH BOARD OF JUVENILE JUSTICE ANNUAL REPORT 2002

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Utah Board of Juvenile Justice

- Develops annual plans to implement the objectives of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act and to promote the development of an effective and coordinated juvenile justice system in the State of Utah.
- Disburses funds received pursuant to the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act in a manner consistent with the plan and forwards funding recommendations for ratification to the Utah Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice.
- Advises the Governor, the Legislature, and the CCJJ on juvenile justice matters and performs such other duties as assigned by the Governor, Legislature, and the CCJJ.

Second Annual Do the Write Thing Challenge

Utah participated in the National Do the Write Thing Challenge, a program for 7th and 8th grade students to write about the causes of and solutions to youth violence. Sponsored locally by the Utah Board of Juvenile Justice, students from middle schools throughout the state were invited to participate. The top 12 entries were published and the students honored with a luncheon at the Governor's Mansion where Lt. Gov. Olene Walker presided.

Judging the entries were Third District Juvenile Court Judge Andrew Valdez, actress Roma Downey, Dr. Richard Kendall, Brent and Bonnie Beesley, Commissioner Robert Flowers and Miss Utah, Jaclyn Hunt.

Lindsay Boulter, a student attending Evergreen Jr. High, and Andrew Workman, a student attending Centennial Middle School, were chosen to represent Utah at the National Do the Thing Challenge week. Each student's teacher and a parent accompanied them on the trip to Washington D.C., where they were honored at the Kuwaiti Embassy and met with Utah's Congressmen and Senators.

The 2003 Do the Write Thing Challenge is well under way and open to all 7th and 8th students throughout Utah. Entries must be received by February 3, 2003.

Juvenile Court Restorative Dialogue Programs

Now in its third year of funding, the Juvenile Restorative Dialogue grant has expanded programs to the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Eighth District Juvenile Courts. Programs include: Victim Offender Mediation, Group Conferencing, Truancy Mediation and Talking Circles. Restorative Dialogue programs are administered by local juvenile courts around the state with collaboration from the Administrative Office of the Courts Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Department. All of the programs utilize trained community volunteers helping reduce

program costs and broaden community involvement.

Grant funding from UBJJ has allowed these programs to grow over the past year. As the First Judicial District completes its second year of offering Restorative Dialogue programs, community volunteers have completed 25 victim offender mediation sessions and 22 truancy mediation sessions. This is compared to a total of 31 cases in 2001. The truancy mediation program has expanded from Box Elder County to six additional schools in Cache County.

In the Third Judicial District an additional 25 community volunteers were trained in facilitation of truancy mediation. In 2001, the district completed 130 truancy mediation sessions and 155 victim-offender mediation sessions.

In the Fifth Judicial District, community volunteers completed a total of 79 victim-offender and truancy mediation sessions. This is compared to only 18 completed in the previous year.

The Juvenile Restorative Dialogue project is on the leading edge of juvenile justice administration. The program is extremely efficient, freeing up judges time and hearing more cases with less expense through the use of volunteers. Victims participating in the process have a high level of satisfaction and feel empowered as part of the solution.

Grant Programs Funded in 2001

First Year Title II Programs \$251,039

Statewide	\$32,000 - Outcome Evaluation Survey Criminal & Juvenile Justice Consortium
Emery Co.	\$73,000 - Green River Community Center
Grand Co.	City of Green River, Utah
Utah Co.	\$41,800 - Provo Rapid Response Team Provo School District
Weber Co.	\$60,000 - WSU Mentoring Weber State University
Salt Lake Co.	\$27,000 - Poder Para La Familia Hispana Poder Para La Familia
Statewide	\$17,239 - Integrated Juvenile History Administrative Office of the Courts

Second Year Title II Programs \$401,867

Utah Co.	\$55,454 - Provo SHOCAP City of Provo
Statewide	\$20,000 - Empowering Tribal Youth Utah Office of Indian Affairs
Salt Lake Co.	\$75,000 - Comin' Up Colors of Success
Statewide	\$25,219 - Restorative Justice Administrative Office of the Courts
Statewide	\$36,000 - Utah Mentor Network Utah Mentoring Partnership
Box Elder	\$62,000 - Teen Supreme
Weber Co.	Brigham City Boys & Girls Club
Salt Lake Co.	\$48,750 - Reclaiming Youth (KEYS) Salt Lake County
Statewide	\$18,000 - Safe Schools Training Utah Department of Public Safety
Davis Co.	\$27,000 - Project Manna
Salt Lake Co.	Utah Office of Pacific Islander Affairs
Server, San Pete, Emery Co.	\$34,444 - Sever County SHOCAP Sever County Sheriff

Third Year Title II Programs \$94,945

Salt Lake Co.	\$52,500 - Visions Aftercare Colors of Success
Weber Co.	\$7,445 - Bear River Truancy Bear River Health Dept.
Iron County	\$35,000 - Iron County Youth Center Division of Child and Family Services

Fourth Year Title II Programs \$32,500

Weber Co.	\$15,000 - Stop Violence Start Safety Child Abuse Prevention Center
Salt Lake Co.	\$17,500 - Youth Mediation Alternative Dispute Resolution Center

On-Going Title II Programs \$77,500

Statewide	\$63,500 - Compliance Monitoring Utah Division of Youth Corrections
Statewide	\$14,000 - Jail Removal Utah Division of Youth Corrections

Challenge Grant Program \$87,500

Statewide	\$30,993 - Risk Instrument Development Administrative Office of the Courts
Salt Lake Co.	\$56,507 - SL County Intensive After Care Division of Youth Corrections

Title V Community Delinquency Prevention Grant Program \$503,704

1st District	\$53,092 - Valued Youth Millard County
Davis Co.	\$87,185 - Police Reaching Out To Students II Bountiful City
Davis Co.	\$81,696 - START
Weber Co.	Clearfield City
Salt Lake Co.	\$70,000 - Murray Crime Council Murray City
Salt Lake Co.	\$70,073 - Community Building Community Midvale City
Salt Lake Co.	\$86,191 - Community Advocate Program West Valley City
Utah Co.	\$55,467 - Outreach to Students Springville City

Susan Burke Honored as Youth Advocate of the Year

For the past 8 years, Susan Burke has served as the Juvenile Justice Specialist for CCJJ. In September of 2002, she left the position to become the Director of USAAV. The Utah Board of Juvenile Justice recognized Susan for all her efforts to improve juvenile justice in Utah. Susan is known for ensuring quality work and innovative new approaches to juvenile justice. This is manifest in new programs such as SHOCAP (Serious Habitual Offender Comprehensive Action Program) that give priority to early intervention. She also ensured quality grant programs by initiating an independent outcome evaluation process. Truly, the children of Utah benefited greatly from her work to coordinate efforts within the juvenile justice system.

Reg Garff to serve as the new Juvenile Justice Specialist

Reg comes to the Utah Board of Juvenile Justice with over ten years of experience in the adult and juvenile justice systems. Most recently he worked for CCJJ as the Grants Monitor. Reg looks forward to carrying on the good reputation of Utah as a leader in innovative approaches to dealing with juvenile justice matters.

Utah Board of Juvenile Justice

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Tonia Hashimoto*
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