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To: Board of Supervisors  
From: Charles Henson  
Date: June 9, 2020  
Subject: JJCPA & JPCF Annual Budgets

Acronym	Full Name	Defined in	Cash in Account
JJCPA	Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act	30061 GC	\$230,000
JPCF	Juvenile Probation Camp Funding	18221 WIC	\$90,000

GC = Government Code

WIC = Welfare & Institutions Code

### Other Acronyms used

JJCC	Juvenile Justice Coordinating Counsel	749.22 WIC
JJC	Juvenile Justice Commission	225 WIC

Because of their similar sounding names, these two groups are easily confused. The JJC is a board of county citizens appointed by the juvenile court judge. Their duties can be found in §229 WIC and are summarized as follows, "It shall be the duty of a juvenile justice commission to inquire into the administration of the juvenile court law in the county or region in which the commission serves." The JJC is not active in Sierra County but current steps are being made to reestablish the group; it has nothing to do with budgets but will be instrumental in the selection process for the permanent Chief Probation Officer.

The make up of the JJCC is defined by statute. Their primary duty is to develop a budget and action plan for the two funds listed above, which the probation department submits to the county board of supervisors for local approval and to the Board of State & Community Corrections (BSCC) for review and final approval. The JJCC is made up of the following:

- chief probation officer, as chair, (Chuck Henson)

- representative from the district attorney’s office, (Sandra Groven)
- representative from the public defender’s office, (J. Lon Cooper)
- representative from the sheriff’s department, (Mike Fisher)
- representative from the board of supervisors, (Sharon Dryden)
- representative from the department of social services, (Lea Salas)
- representative from the department of mental health, (Vicki Clark)
- representative from a community-based drug and alcohol program, (vacant)
- representative from the county office of education or a school district, (James Berardi)
- an at-large community representative. (Docia Bostrom)
- representative from community-based organizations serving juveniles (vacant)

The duty of the JJCC is to, “...develop a comprehensive, multiagency plan that identifies the resources and strategies for providing an effective continuum of responses for the prevention, intervention, supervision, treatment, and incarceration of male and female juvenile offenders, including strategies to develop and implement locally based or regionally based out-of-home placement options for youths who are persons described in Section 602...”

Section 602 WIC is one of three sections that describes minors who come before the courts, probation or social services. They can be summarized as follows:

300 WIC: Children who are victims of abuse or neglect

601 WIC: Minors who commit “status offenses” (acts that are only illegal because off age (truancy, running away from home, etc.)

602 WIC: Minors who commit acts that are crimes regardless of age

Although not required by statute, this committee also discusses the budget and income derived from Juvenile Probation Camp Funding (JPCF).

JJCPA	JPCF
<p>36001(b)(IV)            (B) Programs, strategies, and system enhancements proposed to be funded under this chapter shall satisfy all of the following requirements:</p> <p>(i) Be based on programs and approaches that have been demonstrated to be effective in reducing delinquency and addressing juvenile crime for any elements of response to juvenile crime and delinquency, including prevention, intervention, suppression, and incapacitation.</p>	<p>18221(b) WIC            (b) Services authorized under this section include all of the following:</p> <p>(1) Educational advocacy and attendance monitoring.            (2) Mental health assessment and counseling.            (3) Home detention.            (4) Social responsibility training.            (5) Family mentoring.            (6) Parent peer support.            (7) Life skills counseling.            (8) Direct provision of, and referral to, prevocational and vocational training.</p>

<p>(ii) Collaborate and integrate services of all the resources set forth in clause (i) of subparagraph (A), to the extent appropriate.</p> <p>(iii) Employ information sharing systems to ensure that county actions are fully coordinated, and designed to provide data for measuring the success of juvenile justice programs and strategies.</p>	<p>(9) Family crisis intervention.  (10) Individual, family, and group counseling.  (11) Parenting skills development.  (12) Drug and alcohol education.  (13) Respite care.  (14) Counseling, monitoring, and treatment.  (15) Gang intervention.  (16) Sex and health education.  (17) Anger management, violence prevention, and conflict resolution.  (18) Aftercare services as juveniles transition back into the community and reintegrate into their families.  (19) Information and referral regarding the availability of community services.  (20) Case management.  (21) Therapeutic day treatment.  (22) Transportation related to any of the services described in this subdivision.  (23) Emergency and temporary shelter.</p>
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The JJCC has duly met on May 18, 2020, and approved the plan outlined below. The budget may not cover all existing revenues, but the JJCC wanted to make sure that the basics were covered in a timely fashion. Other options may be explored and if approved by the JJCC they will be presented to the board in due time.

JJCPA (8491002 - Account 5165) Requests:

Amount	Relates to	Description
\$2,500	(B)(i) incapacitation	Bookings & Commits to juvenile hall in Nevada County.
\$3,000	(B)(i)...including prevention, intervention	Awarded to "Friday Night Live" program
\$7,000	(B)(i) ... prevention, intervention	Cap on funding designated to assist at risk distanced youth with equipment to remain engaged in distance learning due to COVID-19.
\$13,000	(B)(i) ... prevention, intervention	Cap on funding designated to identify and assist at risk distanced youth with counseling/peer support services.
\$70,000	(B)(ii) ... integrate services of all the resources	Directly funds deputy probation officer and other staff to develop, implement, maintain, and supervise all juvenile services.

JPCF (8134000 - Account 5165) Requests:

\$2,500	(3) Home detention	Funds electronic monitoring.
\$5,000	(10) Individual, family, and group counseling.	Awarded to High Sierras Family Services
\$70,000	(1), (5), (6), (7), (9), (14), (17), (20), (22)	Directly funds deputy probation officer and other staff to develop, implement, maintain and supervise all juvenile services.

Further Information:

Juvenile hall & electronic monitoring:

- Sierra County does not have, or need a designated local juvenile hall facility. These services are contracted with Nevada County. Juvenile bookings are somewhat expensive when compared to adult bookings, but fairly rare (average about 10 days a year). The current daily rate is approximately \$100.
- The probation department’s electronic monitoring program costs about \$6 a day. Recent law changes prohibit billing juveniles or their families for the cost of electronic monitoring.

Friday Night Live (FNL):

- The total requested represents \$500 per FNL chapter (Downieville elementary, middle & high school, Loyalton elementary, middle & high school).
- The plan approved by the JJCC is to just transfer the money directly and have the program keep their own books, as opposed to having them bill against the amount.
- Truancy and school performance can be a major predictor of future delinquency and if it goes unchecked adult, criminality. According to a study published by U.S. Census Bureau, “while 18 percent of the general population does not have a high school diploma or equivalent, over 40 percent of the adult correctional population has not completed high school (Harlow 2003).”
- Although numbers can be deceiving because Sierra County is so small, according to the webpage Kidsdata.org, which cites the California Dept. of Education as its source, Sierra County has one of the worst truancy rates in the state.
- The FNL program attempts to reduce truancy and promote education by getting students involved in their program.

Distance learning equipment:

- The JJCC together with the Sierra Plumas Joint Unified School District (SPJUSD) has identified a need for additional Chromebook, tablets and WiFi boosters that the school district is not currently able to provide, to assist youth students who are experiencing continued distance learning due to COVID-19.

Counseling/Peer support:

- The JJCC together with the SPJUSD and county human services has identified the need to identify and support local youth who may be experiencing hardships due to the stresses of COVID-19 and who may be out of sight due to distance learning and the restrictions on supportive social settings.
- This program is in infancy stages and will be developed prior to the start of the new school year if not sooner to address youth in need of services during the summer period where delinquency can spike.

High Sierras Family Services:

- The request is for \$5000 that would support 50 hours of intense services for juveniles and their families.
- This budget will be kept by the probation department, with High Sierras billing against the total.
- The primary population is geared towards the needs of juveniles and their families that are not otherwise met by other available county services.

Probation wages:

- Funding from both accounts in the amount of \$70,000 each for probation officers to develop, implement, maintain and supervise all juvenile services.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SIERRA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

**IN THE MATTER OF JUVENILE JUSTICE CRIME PREVENTION ACT  
AND JUVENILE PROBATION CAMP FUNDING 2020-2021 BUDGET**

**RESOLUTION 2020-\_\_\_\_\_**

**WHEREAS**, the Sierra County Probation Department desires to utilize certain grant funding known as Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA) and Juvenile Probation Camp Funding (JPCF), for the purpose of establishing programs and services aimed at reducing juvenile truancy and delinquency.

**WHEREAS**, section 30061 of the Government Code requires a plan for JJCPA expenditures to be developed by a local “Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council” (JJCC) and subsequently approved by the local board of supervisors.

**WHEREAS**, section 18221 of the Welfare & Institutions Code provides that Juvenile Probation Camp Funding may be used to, “serve children who are habitual truants, runaways, at risk of being wards of the court under Section 601 or 602, or under juvenile court supervision or supervision of the probation department. Funds may be used to serve parents or other family members of these children if serving them will promote increased self-sufficiency, personal responsibility, and family stability for the child. Services shall be provided pursuant to a family service plan. When a family is served by multiple public agencies or in need of services from multiple public agencies, the family service plan shall be developed through an interdisciplinary approach that shall include representatives from agencies that provide services to the family or that may be required to implement the service plan.”

**WHEREAS**, Sierra County’s Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council has duly met and approved an appropriate plan for the use of these funds for the 2020-2021 year.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the 2020-2021 annual budget as submitted by the JJCC.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sierra on the 16th day of June, 2020, by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

COUNTY OF SIERRA:

ATTEST:

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JAMES BEARD  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

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HEATHER FOSTER  
CLERK OF THE BOARD

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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