Juvenile Justice Strategic Plan

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Strategic Plan

- G.S. 143B-806 (b)
- October 2013
 - Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Justice and Public Safety requested review of youth development centers
- April 2014
 - JJ Strategic Plan: Renovations & Reinvestment

Strategic Plan: Goals

- Phase out outdated/unsafe/underutilized facilities
- Renovate/expand facilities that are safer, more secure, and more cost-efficient
- ▶ Enhance support operations, such as transportation
- Continue to provide treatment and education rooted in a cognitive-behavioral approach, targeting criminogenic needs

Strategic Plan: Goals

- Reinvest cost savings into community-based programming
- Plan and be prepared for potential future changes to the juvenile justice system

The Plan

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Gaston Juvenile Detention Center

 Gaston Juvenile Detention Center (moved to Stonewall Jackson campus, Kirk Building) - Completed August 2015 [added 6 beds to capacity]

State Juvenile Detention Center	Prior	Current
Alexander	24	24
Gaston	24	0
Cabarrus	0	30
Cumberland	18	18
New Hanover	18	18
Pitt	18	18
Wake	24	24
Subtotal State:	126	132
County Juvenile Detention Center	Prior	Current
Durham	14	14
Forsyth	16	0
Guilford	48	48
Subtotal County:	78	62
Total:	204	194

Youth Development Centers

- By October 2016, all YDCs will operate with a consistent OJJDP Promising Practice program model
- C.A. Dillon to Edgecombe
 - Edgecombe to open April 2016; Open House: TBD
 - C.A. Dillon D Housing Unit for crisis beds completed July 2015
- Dobbs to Lenoir- Scheduled for October 2016
- Stonewall Jackson
 - McWhorter Renovation (30 beds) scheduled to utilize by July 2016
 - Kirk Renovation- completed Aug 2015 & houses juvenile detention beds
- Chatham

YDC Capacity

Youth Development Center	Current	Projected
Stonewall Jackson	96	126
C.A. Dillon	90	0
Edgecombe	0	44
Chatham	32	32
Dobbs	43	0
Lenoir	0	44
Total:	261	246

Average Daily Population (Jan 2016) = 229



Completed Community Programs Projects

- Community-Based Contractual Services Expansion
- Short-Term Residential Bed Expansion
- Crisis and Assessment Centers Establishment
- Transitional Residential Bed Expansion
- ► Future Prevention Programming Expansion Requests
- Gang Initiatives / Prevention EBP

Community-Based Contractual Services Expansion

▶ 2015 - Expanded AMIkids Functional Family Therapy (FFT) availability from 48 to 89 counties via Community-Based Service Contract

Short-Term Residential Expansion

- Fall 2014 Increased Eckerd Candor Residential
 Program (male) by 4 beds (32 to 36)
- ▶ Phased Expansion 2016
 - March Increase Eckerd Candor Residential (male) by 4 beds (36 to 40)
 - May Increase Eckerd Boomer Residential (male) by 6 beds (24 to 30)
 - Fall 2016
 - Increase Eckerd Boomer Residential Program (male) by 6 beds* (30 to 36)
 - *Need to build 4th dorm on this campus to expand beyond 30 beds
 - Increase female beds by 8 (16 to 24)



Crisis and Assessment Centers

- The Dillon Crisis and Assessment Center
 - Contract awarded to Methodist Home for Children
 - Program has served 23 youth to date
- Expansion of the Dillon Project model to Forsyth County (Former Forsyth Detention Center) via contract amendment in November, 2015.
 - Scheduled to accept juveniles by early March, 2016.

Crisis and Assessment (cont'd)

- Development of
 Western Area Multi Purpose Group Home at
 former Buncombe
 Detention Center
 - RFP release by April 2016
 - Contractual award will be made by July 2016
- Partnership with County and local stakeholders



Western Multi-Purpose Group Home

Transitional Residential Expansion

- ▶ 2013 Made permanent the funding stream for the male Craven Transitional Living Home (was originally funded through a grant)
- ▶ 2014 Made permanent the funding stream for the female North Hills Transitional Living Home
- Projected 2016 At least two (2) more transitional residential programs (Forsyth site identified and Eastern area site being sought)

Any Questions?

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