



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

AGENDA DATE : 05/21/2012

CONSENT OR REGULAR: CONSENT

CONTRACT REFERENCE NO
(IF APPLICABLE): N/A

SUBJECT:

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION OF TOPIC: To include statutory requirement, operational impact, or performance goal.

Departmental Report for the Juvenile Justice Center.

FISCAL IMPACT:

PRIOR COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION (IF ANY):

RECOMMENDATION:

Commissioners' Court review and accept the Departmental Report.

COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL

The attached document has been given legal review by the El Paso County Attorney's Office on behalf of the County of El Paso, its officers, and employees. Said legal review should not be relied upon by any person or entity other than the County of El Paso, its officers, and employees.

COUNTY ATTORNEY:

LEGAL REVIEW:

N/A

LEGAL REVIEW NOTES (If Applicable):

DATE:

SUBMITTED BY:

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Commissioners' Court Report
(May 21, 2012)

Administration:

Finalizing the Juvenile Justice Strategic Plan in conjunction with the UTEP School of Business MBA program.

Intake:

- (DRC) Dispute Resolution Center will begin mediation at the Diversion Level with First Offender Assault Family Violence cases.
- Empower – Mental Health Court began on May 9, 2012. JPD diversion will work in conjunction with UTEP – LSPI students.
- Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentoring program for siblings of youth on probation between the ages of 6 -10 and identified as at risk youth for ages 6 - 10.
- Diversion Caseworker assigned to Judge Robledo dealing with contempt of court cases regarding training.
- Train the trainer with Strengthening Families.
- Anti Bullying campaign in collaboration with the Sheriff's Department.

Probation Services:

Strengthening Families Parenting Classes have begun. Currently there are a total of 60 families enrolled in the program. Local restaurants to include: Cristobal Burritos, Little Cesar's, Sonic, Los Gallegos, Coney Island, to name a few have donated food for the sessions. Our facilitators are Probation Officers, Case Managers and Delta Academy staff.

Emotional Regulation Classes continue with youth identified as having Traumatic Brain Injury. These classes are taught by our staff in conjunction with Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York City. Grant funding for this initiative will be announced in two weeks.

Respectfully Submitted,

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