

YSC Minutes  
August 16, 2018  
Jury Management Room, Court Building  
8:30 a.m.

1. Call to Order and Round Table Introductions –P. Devaney

Present:

Judge Susan Sheppard, Family Court  
Rochelle Andress, Harborfields  
Laura Marcy, FSO  
Joanne Morrison, CMC Probation  
Temerity Berry, Cape Assist  
Anna Cannelle, Cape Assist  
Kathryn Gibson, Cape Assist  
Erin Klein, ACENDA  
Blake Moore, ISP  
Shirley Robinson, Family Court  
Jim Hetherington, JCDTOC  
Bernadette Myers, AFDM  
JoAnne Thompson, Probation  
JoAnne Morrison, Probation  
Tammy Wilkerson, ODOY  
Jennifer Hirsch, DCP+P  
Jeffrey Sutherland, County Prosecutor  
Pat Devaney, CMC-HS  
Kristen Raring, YSC Coordinator  
Meg Forney, JJC  
John Roy, CMO

2. Additions and Corrections to Minutes – P. Devaney

Minutes from the June 11, 2019 YSC meeting were provided with the meeting notice and on site. S. Robinson motioned to accept the minutes as presented. R. Andress seconded. Motion carried.

3. Administrator's Report – K. Raring

2019 Monitoring: K. Raring reported that 2019 monitoring is complete and provided the following program updates:

Station House Adjustment: The program served 39 youth in 2015, 50 in 2016, 61 in 2017 and 56 in 2018. In 2018 93% of the participants successfully completed the program and did not have formal charges brought against them.

Probation Pathways: The program served 20 youth in 2015, 50 in 2016, 61 in 2017 and 56 in 2018. In 2018, 81% of the youth achieved their work plan objective.

Intensive Supervision Program: The program monitored 14 youths for 1,051 days in 2016, 12 youths for 707 days in 2017 and 19 youths for 593 days in 2018. There has been a significant decrease in total days monitored with a 50% increase of total youths served from 2016-2108.

The monitoring team recommended funding to continue in 2020 for all three programs.

Members agreed on the 2020 Comprehensive County Plan supporting the continued funding of ISP, Probation Pathways and Station House Adjustment.

2020 Innovations Funding:

K. Raring reported that at the 7/9/19 JDAI meeting the Council approved the Innovations application for submission to JJC and that the proposals were submitted on 8/2/19. The proposals will fund the Family Court Advocate (\$112,000) and the Probation Orientation program (\$5,000). A roll call of members was taken, and the plan was approved unanimously. YSC Co-Chairs executed the letter of support on behalf of the YSC.

2020 Comprehensive County Funding:

K. Raring provided members a report summarizing the YSC monitoring team and Emerging RoundTable recommendations. Members were provided a program profile with proposed funding allocation for Station House Adjustment, Probation Pathways and ISP. A roll call of members was taken, and the plan was approved unanimously.

YSC Co-Chairs executed the letter of support on behalf of the YSC.

Members were provided a report on the proposed State Community Partnership 1/3 Set Aside (\$22,700) to fund the purchase of the electronic monitoring equipment and administrative costs of the Cape May County Sheriff's Department. A roll call of members was taken, and the plan was approved unanimously.

4. JJC Representative Report – Report was provided via email.

5. JDAI update – M. Forney

M. Forney reported on behalf of JDAI. Case Processing and Education Committee is reviewing the time between youth being disposed and out of home placement. The next statewide meeting is 9/25/19.

6. Family Advocate Program Update- L. Marcy

Program is running smoothly and is working well with all partners. “Kids We Lose” will have two showings on 9.26.19 at the PAC. Movie will highlight collaborative problem solving in addressing the needs of our youth.

7. Probation Enrichment – J. Morrison

Working on vendors to work with the State in providing goods needed for the program. Looking at a September start date – program will be held on a Thursday Night.

8. Old Business

Recovery High School – K. Gibson

Summer program has 3 participants. Attendance has been challenging due to one of the students living environment not being conducive to regular attendance. Have two students slated to continue in the fall and 2 that may be transitioning to another school.

## 9. New Business

### Change in Judiciary- J. Sheppard

As of September 1, Judge Rauh will be the CMC Judge for domestic violence, juvenile and drug court and Judge Sheppard will be assuming the role of Presiding Family Court Judge. Judge Sheppard will be splitting time between Atlantic and Cape May County. Judge Sheppard will remain as the co-chair for Youth Services Commission.

### Children In Court Committee- J. Sheppard

The Committee needs community organizations and individuals to help in creating resources for children that have been in placement for 3 years or longer. Identify and secure forever homes for children in need.

### Cape Assist – T. Berry

Unity In the Community will be on 8/19/19. Connecting youth with law enforcement and community resources at the County Park.

### Child Advocacy Center- Prosecutor Sutherland

New building is under construction. Center will provide a home like setting for children that are crime victims or witness to a crime. Provide onsite services.

1/3 Set Aside- a need was presented in providing funds for covering the cost of comprehensive psychological sex offender specific evaluations for youth that are awaiting placement for appropriate-statistical need to be compiled and based on that info a modification of the 1/3 set aside to provide funds will be further reviewed.

## 10. Public Response

None

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.