DJJ Re-Entry Partners

- ♦ CDCR-DJJ
- ◆ Anti-Recidivism Coalition (ARC)
- ♦ G.A.P.
- ♦ SRCC
- NCCT
- The Salvation Army
- Wind Youth Services
- Greater Sacramento Urban League
- ♦ Boys & Girls Club
- ♦ Sacramento Re-Entry Coalition
- ♦ Re-Emerging Scholars
- DHA Eligibility Specialists
- ♦ Hope Therapeutic Services
- ♦ DHHS
- ...and more*



*DJJ Re-Entry Officers are continuously seeking new partnerships in the community.

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Supporting Positive Change



DJJ Re-Entry

Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) Re-Entry is facilitated by specialized Juvenile Field officers that work with youth who are returning to Sacramento County from DJJ. These Officers supervise youth with the most serious violent or sexual offenses, whose Wardship can extend until age 25. Through a collaborative effort, the Officers support these clients during their entire DJJ commitment; from disposition through post-discharge probation.



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Returning to Sacramento

The DJJ Re-Entry program was developed to help youth make a successful transition from DJJ Facilities back to the community. DJJ Re-Entry Officers work collaboratively with the youth, YDF Staff, CDCR personnel, community Re-Entry Partners, and other stakeholders (i.e. family, friends, mentors, etc.) from the time the youth is committed through their termination of Wardship. The youth work with Officers to establish plans for housing, basic needs, employment, education, counseling, and any other factors involved in the youth's well-being. The re-entry plan is driven primarily by the youth, who are oftentimes young adults upon returning to Sacramento.

Planning for the Community

DJJ youths have the most serious offenses and typically the highest risk to re-offend. Re-entry planning and supervision aims to reduce these risks by identifying the youth's needs and encouraging pro-social decision making. Re-Entry planning also allows the Officers to develop a relationship with the youth, their families and other supporters. The Officers provide intensive supervision and use community programming, vocational training, educational support, and mentoring services to positively reintegrate youth into the community. DJJ Re-Entry Officers supervise these youth until their Wardship is terminated; regardless of warrants, new charges, or adult probation grants. When appropriate, officers will utilizes intermediate sanctions to re-direct the youth's adjustment. However, when a youth jeopardizes the safety of themselves or the community, DJJ Re-Entry Officers will act accordingly. This may include collaboration with other law enforcement agencies.

From DJJ to Honorable Discharge

Before DJJ

The Department recognizes that *Re-Entry* begins with the youth's commitment to DJJ. DJJ Re-Entry Officers and Re-Entry Partners meet with the youth before they leave the YDF. This meeting encourages the youth to start planning for their success both in and out of custody. It also makes them aware that Probation and the Re-Entry Partners will support them along the way.



Upon Re-Entry

DJJ Re-Entry Officers provide field supervision once the youth returns to the community.—this is a key component of the process. The Officers assist with the implementation of the youth's re-entry plan and guide any decisions to adjust it. DJJ Re-Entry Officers continue to collaborate with Re-Entry Partners to help the youth overcome any obstacles that arise. The final goal is to have the youth terminate successfully so they may petition for an Honorable Discharge from DJJ.



At DJJ

DJJ Re-Entry Officers regularly visit youth at the local DJJ facilities: O.H. Close, Chaderjian, and Pine Grove Fire Camp. The officers are available to meet with any current or expected Wards of Sacramento County. CDCR staff also provide re-entry planning and collaborate with Probation when contacting the youth. Additionally, many of the Re-Entry Partners have mentors who will meet with the youth incustody to facilitate programs and explain services available in the community.

Re-entry planning intensifies within four months prior to the youth's expected discharge. DJJ Re-Entry Officers will attempt to meet with those youth on every visit. Additionally, DJJ Re-Entry Officers will establish connections for the youth in the community by performing home checks, contacting stakeholders, safety planning, and making arrangements for the youth's release.

