

## South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs Timeline of Events and Accomplishments

### Pre Task Force 2007-2008

March '07	Gang incident results in the death of a 15 year-old
November '07	Santa Barbara City Council directs staff to reach out to the community to develop a strategy to combat youth gang violence
January '08	45 community stakeholders meet to discuss options and recommend improved coordination by service providers
March-June '08	Eight-member committee formed; meets bi-weekly with the goal of adoption a response strategy – meetings are public
June-August '08	Launched first summer program – Established linkages and coordination with program operators <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. 101 youth identified with Gang Terms and Conditions</li> <li>2. 82 youth served</li> <li>3. Ages 13-17</li> <li>4. 35 credit deficient</li> <li>5. 11 achieved credit compliance by end of summer</li> </ol>
July-August '08	Strategy Committee develops draft plan
September '08	Strategy Committee received and approves plan

### Post Task Force Establishment

March '09	Established the South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs Leadership and Executive Councils
April '09	Received a two year \$400,000 CalGRIP Grant for prevention, intervention, and suppression through March 2011 to serve 160 south coast youth
June '09	Second Summer Program implemented <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identified 130 youth with Gang Terms and Conditions</li> <li>2. 118 youth served/referred</li> <li>3. 56 with Gang Terms and Conditions</li> <li>4. 21 students completed summer school</li> </ol>

5. 13 obtained jobs
6. 18 individuals and families received counseling services
7. Youth attended educational field trips to USC, SBCC and UCSB

July '09	Santa Barbara School Districts hired Youth Outreach Worker
December '09	Leadership and Executive Councils endorse plans to procure funding from the south coast local government agencies to centralize coordination with a host agency
June-Sept. '10	Received \$151,666 from the County of Santa Barbara, City of Santa Barbara, City of Goleta, City of Carpinteria, and a \$25,964 in-kind contribution from the CAC to fund the effort
October '10	County ADMHS awarded federal grant for Bridges to Recovery (B2R) a juvenile offender reentry program for high-risk male youth with substance abuse and co-occurring disorders. (Attachment Q)
November '10	Received in-kind office space from the Hutton Foundation, and funding of \$15,000 from the Bower Foundation and \$2,000 from the McCune Foundation
December '10	Task Force Coordinator Dr. Gus Frias reports to work to implement a strategy focused on youths involved in or at high risk of becoming involved in youth gangs and agency coordination
January '11	Received second CalGRIP grant, of \$369,309 focused on intervention strategies. Objective to provide services for 120 south coast youth involved in gangs or at risk of being involved in gangs - January 2011 – December 2012 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intervention Case Management services – 120 youth</li> <li>• Educational excursions – 60 youth</li> <li>• Parent/family groups – 50 guardians</li> <li>• Evidence based substance abuse program – 60 youth</li> </ul>
January '11	Established a coordinating Strategy Support Team to guide the Task Force Coordinator, and develop milestones, program objectives and strategies. The team includes (Attachment G)
February '11	Gangs and School Safety Team Conference led by Dr. Frias – 150 participants from schools, community based service providers, law enforcement and government agencies participate
March '11	CalGRIP I grant concludes
April '11	CalGRIP II grant work begins

Surveyed 100 local programs to create a central client services agency directory for youth and families in need of services and to promote agency coordination, received responses from 41 programs

May '11

Surveyed youth at the Los Prietos Boys Camp to secure ideas, from a client perspective, on what could be done to help youth and families get out and stay out of youth gangs

June '11

Dr. Gus Frias leaves the position  
CAC creates a Task Force Management Team consisting of Fran Forman, Executive Director, Saul Serrano, Interim Task Force Coordinator, and Carolyn Contreras, Director Family Youth Services to fill the void created by Dr. Frias' departure

August '11

Santa Barbara Campaign for Youth and Families presents "Community Summits Report," culminating a collaborative process that began in September 2009 – recommendations made (Attachment I)

Launched the South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs website in English  
<http://youthgangtaskforce.org/>

October '11

Issued first monthly update to keep the Leadership and Executive Councils informed on work between meetings

Established linkages and coordination for a tri-county collaborative involving San Luis Obispo, Ventura and Santa Barbara Counties

Developed a youth and family resource/services card for use by law enforcement agencies. Card provides program information for families in crisis or needing assistance

Launched the South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs website in Spanish  
<http://youthgangtaskforce.org/>

Development of the South Coast Youth Intervention Project. (Attachment O)

November '11

Completed a youth and family services inventory with a focus on programs offering gang intervention services Youth Services Inventory 2011 (Attachment J) – the second phase will include family services.

Santa Barbara Campaign for Youth and Families presents "Community Summits Report" to the SCTFYG Executive Council

- December '11      Drafted proposed goals, objectives and performance standards for presentation to the Leadership and Executive Councils at the January Meeting
- January '12      Held joint meeting of the Leadership and Executive Councils to present the first annual progress report
- Presented South Coast Youth Intervention Project report and recommendations
- Presented CalGRIP II 1<sup>st</sup> year status and objectives for 2012

## South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs History and Detailed Background

As a result of the death of a 15-year-old in downtown Santa Barbara, in November 2007, the Santa Barbara City Council directed staff to take aggressive steps to engage community support to combat youth gang violence. The direction from the City Council was clear –

*“The City needs to serve as a convener to engage other community partners to plan, organize and implement strategies to tackle the community problem of youth gang violence in our South Coast.”*

### **Stakeholder Meeting and Conclusions**

On January 31, 2008, 45 stakeholders involved with the intervention, prevention and suppression of youth gangs came together to share perspectives, assess community support and interest and decide on next steps. The stakeholders deemed the violence unacceptable. They concluded that with all of our programs and services, we are not reaching youth involved with gangs, or youth with the potential of becoming active gang members. They agreed with the need to target services toward these youths to break the gang life cycle.

The stakeholders concurred on the need to plan, organize and implement a comprehensive strategy to address the problem of youth gangs – they urged a focus on youth involved in gangs, youth at risk of becoming involved in gangs and better agency coordination.

To move from a concept to reality the stakeholders agreed on establishing a “Strategy Planning Committee” to carry-on with the mission.

### **Strategy Planning Committee**

The Strategy Planning Committee included representatives from organizations serving youth involved in gangs, education and counseling, law enforcement, local government, program providers, and foundations. Many workshops and community meetings were held.

### **Summer Program**

With summer school vacation nearing, and the prospect of more gang violence during the summer vacation, the group formed a “Short-Term Summer Program Committee.” This Committee was responsible for planning, organizing and implementing a summer program targeted at youth involved in gangs, or at risk of being involved in gangs. The Committee included representatives from youth and family service providers, education, and law enforcement.

Desired outcomes of the summer program were to:

- Improve educational standing of participating youth;
- Reduce occasions for conflict during the summer by offering positive alternatives;
- Improve coordination and communication by local organizations; and
- Provide client specific and family support services.

The committee implemented a summer program that targeted youth from Santa Barbara's south coast area. The program operated from June to September 2008. Each student went through an individual assessment by a caseworker, who produced a client specific plan to address individual needs. Services included academic counseling, summer school, personal and family counseling and support services, and summer employment.

### **Summer Program Enrollment and Results**

Over the summer in 2008, caseworkers conducted 230 sessions, an average of three counseling sessions per student. Where necessary, the counseling sessions involved the parents. Caseworkers linked students and families to family counseling, housing, educational and related support services.

- Seventeen credit deficient students attended summer school – 11 became credit compliant (70%).
- Forty-three of the 82 students were on probation. Forty of the students enrolled in the program completed the terms and conditions of probation, an astonishing 93% success rate.
- There were no dropouts
- Students participated in field trips and secured summer jobs.

The rapport and connection established between the students and caseworkers was extremely successful and emphasized the importance of client specific assessments and plans. In spite of the short time period to develop and implement the program, it was a success.

### **Long Term Strategy**

The problem of youth gangs has been around for many generations and will not be solved overnight. Having addressed summer needs and in tandem with a short-term initiative, the group established the Long Term Strategy Planning Committee to focus on the next step of the process.

The Long Term Strategy Planning Committee's mission was to develop a strategy proposal that:

- Continues to focus on the approximately 100-150 active youth gang members and 750 gang affiliated youth
- Builds on the foundation established by the summer program group
- Establishes clear distinction between policy and operational roles and responsibilities
- Focuses on institutionalizing a coordination strategy and not operating programs
- Created a south-coast model with a potential for countywide expansion

The Long Term Strategy Committee included the County Sheriff, Santa Barbara City Administrator and Chief of Police, Santa Barbara School Districts Superintendent, Community Action Commission, CADA Fighting Back, Santa Barbara Foundation, Chief and Assistant Probation Officer, Santa

Barbara City Parks and Recreation Director, Administrative Services Director and Special Projects Manager.

After exploring a variety of options and after extensively debating the pros and cons of alternatives, the Long Term Strategy Committee developed and adopted a strategy.

The recommended structure focuses on four key areas:

1. Case Workers/Outreach Specialists – **Outreach Specialist Team**
2. Program Operators and Service Providers – **Prevention, Intervention and Suppression Team**
3. Policy Maker and Chief Executive Support – **Leadership and Executive Councils**
4. Central Coordination/Administration – **Coordinator**

## **LEADERSHIP AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

### **Leadership Council**

The Leadership Council is comprised of community officials who lead or represent political organizations that can commit resources. It includes elected local government officials, two foundation officers, and a representative each from families, youth, UCSB, and faith community.

### **Executive Council**

The Executive Council consists of south coast chief executives who can provide direction, organizational support and funding for the South Coast partnership on youth gangs. It includes one representative each from Sheriff, Santa Barbara Police, UCSB, SBCC, Chamber of Commerce, CADA Fighting Back, AllforOne, CAC, SB Foundation, Zona Seca, Palabra, La Casa de la Raza, Probation, Social Services, SBCEO, two School Superintendents, and four City/County Executives.

The Executive Council will serve as a pass through structure for joint projects, allocate resources, intervene to reduce bureaucracy, and promote regional coordination.

**Task Force Coordinator** – The Coordinator will:

- Staff the Leadership and Executive Councils and facilitate its meetings;
- Identify service and program gaps, facilitate organization linkages and coordination and implement strategies to accomplish goals;
- Monitor program results, coordinate the development of grant proposals for public/private funds for youth gang problems and assist the Executive Council to procure, receive and distribute “partnership” and “pilot program” funds to gang program operators; and
- Develop and implement public information programs, prepare periodic reports, develop goals/objectives action plans and budgets and prepare and present the five-year milestone report.

## South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs Guiding Principles

Shortly after being established, the Leadership Council and the Executive Council adopted the following guiding principles:

1. We need to focus on services to the target population:
  - Youth actively involved in gangs
  - Gang affiliates and potential gang members
2. We need comprehensive programs which include suppression, intervention and prevention strategies
  - We need to advocate for client specific services based on the individual needs of youth and their families, not a cookie cutter approach
3. We need to advocate for more coordination and partnerships by the agencies involved with youth gang intervention, prevention and suppression programs
  - We need to promote the availability of a youth gang case worker in every school to prevent, suppress and intervene with youth gangs
  - We need to promote a full range of services to assist the youth and their family
  - We need to remember the female youth involved with and affected by gangs
4. We need a reliable funding stream to support programs with a track record of success or new promising programs that satisfy unmet needs
  - We need to build on the base of successful client driven programs created through coordination and pooling of resources
  - We need to have the ability to measure program effectiveness and efficiency
5. We need to be experimental, risk takers ready to move forward accepting the premise that if all possible objections must first be overcome nothing of significance will ever be accomplished – we will have successes and failures but doing nothing should not be an option
6. We need to be patient
  - Problems did not develop overnight
  - Solutions will not be accomplished overnight

## South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs Vision

In tandem with the “Guiding Principles,” the Leadership Council and the Executive Council embraced the following vision:

In our vision:

- Our efforts focus on services to the target population, namely, youth actively involved in gangs, gang affiliates, and youth at risk of becoming gang members
- We will reduce youth gang violence and subsequently, the number of active youth gang members and associates will drop over time. Objectives will be set, and measured to confirm successes and the need to change direction.
- There will be a cooperative partnership by the organizations that provide services yielding synergistic results. We will work as a team to coordinate south coast prevention, intervention, and suppression efforts to stamp out youth gangs in the south coast. Leadership will come from schools, service providers and law enforcement agencies.
- There will be a mechanism for early identification of youth potentially affected by gangs. The schools will take the lead in school based prevention programs.
- There will be client specific services based on the individual needs of youth and their families, and not a cookie cutter approach. Programs will include a full range of services to assist the youth and their family. Independent third parties will conduct the program assessments to increase the confidence in results.
- There will be a funding stream to support programs with a track record of success or which satisfy unmet needs. We will build from the work of successful programs that are client driven and created through program coordination and pooling of resources. Independent third parties will conduct the program assessments to increase the confidence in results.
- Caseworkers/Outreach Specialists will work in every South Coast Junior High and High School as “front line persons” on gang intervention, suppression and prevention. They will work with school counselors on client specific plans. While the Outreach Specialists will have school assignments, they will spend at least 25% of their time after school hours with the youth and their family. The Caseworker/Outreach Specialists will connect youth and families to support services and programs to move away from gangs.

Doing nothing is not an option. Neither is analysis paralysis. We will need to be experimental, risk takers ready to move forward accepting the premise that if all possible objections must first be overcome nothing of significance will ever be accomplished.

## South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs Leadership Council

Organization	Member	Title
Carpinteria Board of Education	Terry Hickey Banks	Board Member
City of Carpinteria	Gregg Carty	Councilmember
City of Carpinteria	Al Clark	Mayor
City of Goleta	Roger Aceves	Councilmember
City of Santa Barbara	Helene Schneider	Mayor
Community/Family	Elsa Hernandez	Community/Family Representative
County of Santa Barbara	Salud Carbajal	Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara	Janet Wolf	Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara District Attorney	Joyce Dudley	District Attorney
County of Santa Barbara Sheriff	Bill Brown	Sheriff
County of Santa Barbara Superior Court	James Herman	Presiding Juvenile Judge
Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	Luis Villegas	Vice-President
Interfaith Initiative	Rafael Marin-Leon	The Reverend
Santa Barbara Board of Education	Monique Limon	Board Member
Santa Barbara County Education Office	William Cirone	Superintendent
Santa Barbara Foundation Roundtable Appointee	Claudia Armann	Exec. Director McCune Foundation
Santa Barbara Foundation Roundtable Appointee	Jon Clark	Exec. Director Bower Foundation
University of California, Santa Barbara	Jane Close Conoley	Dean
Youth	Asael Cervantes	Representative

## South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs Executive Council Members

Organization	Member	Title
All for One	Matt Sanchez	Executive Director
CAC	Fran Forman	Executive Director
CADA/Fighting Back	Penny Jenkins	Executive Director
Carpinteria Unified School District	Paul Cordeiro	Superintendent
City of Carpinteria	Dave Durflinger	City Manager
City of Goleta	Daniel Singer	City Manager
City of Santa Barbara	James L. Armstrong	City Administrator
City of Santa Barbara	Marcelo Lopez	Assistant City Administrator
City of Santa Barbara	Camerino Sanchez	Police Chief
County of Santa Barbara	Chandra L. Wallar	County Executive Officer
County of Santa Barbara	Patricia Stewart	Chief Probation Officer
County of Santa Barbara	Delfino Niera	Division Chief, Department of Social Services
County of Santa Barbara	Bill Brown	Sheriff
Gevirtz Graduate School of Education, UCSB	Jill Sharkey	Academic Coordinator
La Casa de la Raza	Raquel Lopez	Executive Director
Our Lady of Guadalupe	Rafael Marin-Leon	The Reverend
Palabra	Juan Pablo Herrada	Executive Director
Santa Barbara Chamber of Commerce	Steve Cushman	Director
Santa Barbara City College	Marsha Wright	CARES Coordinator
Santa Barbara County Education Office	Fred Razo	Admin. Juvenile Court and Community Schools
Santa Barbara Foundation	Molly Carrillo-Walker	Sr. VP of Community Investments
Santa Barbara Foundation Roundtable Appointee	Claudia Armann	Exec. Dir. McCune Foundation
Santa Barbara Unified School District	David Cash	Superintendent
Zona Seca	Frank Banales	Executive Director

## SCTFYG Strategy Team Members

Organization	Members	Title
County of Santa Barbara	Steve DeLira	Deputy Chief Probation Officer
CAC	Fran Forman	Executive Director
South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs	Saul Serrano	Interim Task Force Coordinator
City of Santa Barbara	Marcelo López	Assistant City Administrator
Santa Barbara County Education Office	Fred Razo	Administrator Juvenile Court & Community Schools
Gevirtz Graduate School of Education, UCSB	Jill Sharkey	Academic Coordinator
Santa Barbara Unified School District	Marlin Sumpter	Director of Student Services
Carpinteria Unified School District	Sharon Velarde	Safe Schools/ Healthy Schools Director
CAC	Carolyn Contreras	Family Youth Services Director
City of Santa Barbara	Lori Pedersen	Administrative Analyst - Staff Support

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## Youth and Family Services Statistics

Program*	Number of Youth Served
Cal GRIP I	170
Cal GRIP II	120
YOBG (Probation)	27
JJCPA ( Probation)	23
Bridges to Recovery (Probation)	35
Outreach Services Worker (SBUSD & CUSD)	150
Healthy Schools Healthy Students Initiative (CUSD)	District Wide
Los Prietos Boys Camp (Probation)	70
Police Activities League	1600

\*Program Details Listed in Attachment Section

Services Offered
Client Specific Case Management
Academic Support
Life Skills
Parenting Support
Family Support
Referral to Services

Outcomes
<b>Participants are:</b>
Becoming Credit Compliant
Increased Graduation
Meeting Gang Terms & Conditions
Turning Lives Around
Eliminating Substance Abuse

# Santa Barbara Campaign for Youth and Families

## Recommendations as Articulated by Parents and Youth

### *Police and Youth Justice*

- Find an alternative to the phrase “youth violence” to describe the victimization that young people encounter. Young people feel blamed for a problem that is often beyond their control. An alternative might be “community violence.”
- Replace zero-tolerance and punitive approaches to discipline with positive reinforcement and restorative justice.
- Train police on youth culture and on positive interactions with youth and families. Also train them on issues of trauma and culturally sensitive methods for working with bilingual/bicultural youth and families.
- Create a citizen’s police review board with equal representation from all Santa Barbara communities.
- Hire and train police officers to be more sensitive toward people of different cultures and backgrounds.
- Insure a representative group of the police department, school teachers, school administrators, and school faculty should speak Spanish, reflecting the percentage of Spanish speakers in Santa Barbara.
- Hold police officers accountable for any and all inappropriate and misuse of power and authority including but not limited to: racial profiling and unnecessary aggressive action.
- Establish free sports programs and youth centers.
- Eliminate monitoring and surveillance by police officers of people based on their race, ethnicity, and age. Begin by admitting that it happens.

### *Schools*

- Train and produce more invested and readily accessible, culturally-competent teachers and counselors.
- Create more diverse and youth-driven curriculum, with more electives in the arts and media.
- Hire culturally-sensitive, invested, and dedicated school and law enforcement personnel so that youth are comfortable discussing issues of violence.
- Produce curriculum to develop healthy gender identities and sexualities.
- Discharge one of the administrators from one of the High Schools for his discriminatory treatment against Latino students (as reported by 12 students). (During a full day of conversation about violence youths continually brought up this individual as abusive and spiteful and as someone who made the problem of violence worse by putting many Latino students in precarious situations that inevitably placed them at higher risk of victimization and being involved in acts of violence. Youths insisted that this individual be held accountable for the many incidents of negative treatment and discrimination that they reported).
- Provide free public transportation for youth to avoid victimization.
- Produce curriculum to teach youth the law and their legal rights.
- Produce curriculum for youth to learn their culture and history.
- Invest in staff that are local and homegrown, who come from similar circumstances, and/or, most importantly, are sensitive and attuned to the conditions they face.

- Invest in staff that is determined to help youth; that are ready and willing to encourage and push youth to do their best.
- Invest in staff that is dedicated and consistently present.
- Invest in staff that is ready and willing to work with youth on youth-driven initiatives.
- Invest in staff that is trained in problem resolution and restorative justice.

### *Youth and Family Development*

- Develop more programs and community centers for youth healing, empowerment and development.
- Establish cooperatives for youth-driven and community oriented sites of employment.
- Make youth programs available to all youth, irrespective of past behaviors and current “delinquency” status.
- Train youth in leadership, program development, and organizing.
- Hire and train personnel to facilitate culturally sensitive support and discussion groups.
- Produce curriculum and pamphlets to help youth work through developmental and mental health issues.
- Produce programs where older youth mentors can tutor younger children through community centers.
- Produce gender and/or sexuality specific discussion groups.
- Produce curriculum to help youth develop healthy intimate relationships.
- Produce ways of dealing with sexual abuse and violence in ways that can restore families.
- Provide youth training in organizational, management, fundraising, and budgeting skills
- Produce worker-owned and operated cooperatives that allow youth to learn marketable technical and administrative skills that they can later translate into stable employment with a living wage and benefits as adults. Cooperatives could include the following, community and sustainable projects:
  - A Cafe and Bakery with a space for community events,
  - A Shirt-Screening and Printing Press,
  - A Bicycle Shop,
  - An Auto-body and Mechanic Shop,
  - An Organic Farm and Farmer’s Market,
  - Green Building Renovation and Green Energy Jobs,
  - A Recycling and Composting Center, and Art, Music, Theater, Dance, Martial Arts, and Visual Graphic Art Studios
- Hire personnel to train youth in arts, music, theater, dance, martial arts, film, and other artistic mediums.
- Provide opportunities for youth to produce murals, films, and theatrical productions.
- Provide youth opportunities to fund and organize trips to go camping, visit theme parks, and explore universities.
- Establish a place in response to parents’ request where they can speak out and be heard on problems and issues that are both personal and community based.
- Create a place where youths can get free tutoring, counseling, and job opportunity information all in one location.
- Develop culturally based rites of passage, mentorship and circles of support programs for youth.
- Develop culturally competent parent/family strengthening and circles of support programs for parents and family members.
- Provide culturally competent training for staff of community organizations with review by youth and families of programs that are truly meeting their needs.

## Researcher's Recommendations

Ultimately, youth and parents expressed a sincere desire to improve their lives and contribute to violence prevention. Many of the members of the SBCYF facilitators who participated in the youth summit process reported being inspired by the tremendous amount of optimism youth and parents expressed about themselves and their future, especially in spite of all the violence they admitted to experiencing. Not only did they want to transform themselves, they wanted to transform the world around them to improve the entire Santa Barbara community, for all of its residents. Based on our analysis of the data collected throughout the summit process and looking at the literature on best practices in healthy adolescent development, we concur with most of the recommendations provided by youth and their parents. In addition we wish to emphasize the following recommendations as key in beginning the process of developing a systematic plan for community violence prevention in the Santa Barbara community.

### *Invest in training school personnel and law enforcement officers in positive interactions with Latina/o youth and their families.*

An overwhelming amount of parents and youths reported negative interactions with authority figures as one of the biggest obstacles to combating community violence. Negative interactions with authority figures--people that are supposed to be there to serve and protect, to promote the well-being of all children and their families in the community--lead to a process of *missed communication*- or lack of communication--where schools and law enforcement officials lose out on opportunities to learn from community members about the source of the problem when it comes to violence. This process occurs because young people and their families fear and lose trust and faith in the education and justice system due to a systematic stripping of dignity. While parents and youths were willing to admit that they were accountable for some of the problems with violence in the community, they reported not being able to find support from police and schools when they were indeed ready to change or to communicate their problems or to report those individuals who were causing problems of violence in the community. We believe that training law enforcement and school personnel in *positive psychology*, in nurturing and maintaining positive relations with vulnerable populations in the community will pay off for all parties.

### *Expand Restorative Justice Approaches to Dealing with Youth Transgressions*

Youth consistently noted how zero-tolerance or otherwise quick and excessive forms of punishment exacerbated problems rather than helped to address them. Some examples included feeling disempowered and afraid to report victimization and victimizers because of negative treatment from police and schools--a process of blaming the victim. Restorative justice allows for young people to learn from their mistakes and to maintain attachments and bonds with individuals in school, at home, and in the community. This in turn allows the young person to pay for his (or her) transgression, learn a positive lesson, and in the end become more connected, in a positive way, to school and law enforcement officials.

### *Hire More Culturally-Relevant School and Law Enforcement Personnel*

Students and parents reported feeling that their culture was not represented among school and law enforcement personnel and that this led to negative encounters because these individuals could not understand their perspectives. We recommend investing in recruiting school and law enforcement personnel that are culturally-relevant and can relate to the Latina/o youths in Santa Barbara. It is important to both hire more bi-lingual and bi-cultural staff and train existing personnel to be more culturally proficient. Youth and parents expressed a need for both. We concur.

### *Replicate Parent/Family/Youth Support Groups Across Institutions*

Successful support groups like those conducted by Los Compares and Las Comrades with youth and by Alejandro Vasquez at Community Action Commission must be benchmarked and replicated across institutions--at schools, at probation departments, in community centers, and at detention facilities. One major unexpected outcome from this study was the value that young people and parents placed on the group process, on the ability to discuss their "problems" with other community members who experienced similar issues. All parents and youths agreed that support groups or "círculos" were a major priority in beginning the process of reducing youth violence and expanding academic achievement and in turn creating college-going opportunities for *all* children and young adults in Santa Barbara.

## YOUTH SERVICES INVENTORY

### Revised August 2011

	ORGANIZATION	CONTACT PERSON	DESCRIPTION	CONTACT INFORMATION
1	AllforOne	Matt Sanchez	A community based organization that serves young people from Carpinteria to Goleta, ages 12 - 21, who are at risk for gang involvement, school dropout and substance abuse. AllforOne encourages and motivates adolescents through a wide variety of activities, including tutoring, computer classes, field trips, social activities, arts education, life-skills training and youth leadership activities.	805-896-2171
2	Boys and Girls Club of Santa Barbara	Carolyn Brown	Offers development in arts, education, sports, music, team and individual sports. Counseling for children and parents, computer program, ceramics, tutoring, dance, culinary arts, after school homework club, mentoring, arts and crafts and character building programs are available.	805-962-2382 632 East Canon Perdido Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93103
3	Carpinteria Cares for Youth (Carp Cares)		A grassroots task force in Carpinteria that aims to support youth and their families through advocacy, education, collaboration, and information dissemination. The primary goal is to facilitate the development of a positive environment for youth in Carpinteria.	805-453-0461 PO Box 637 Carpinteria, Ca 93014 <a href="http://www.carpcares.org/">http://www.carpcares.org/</a>
4	Carpinteria Unified School District - Safe Schools Healthy Students	Sharon Velarde	Safe Schools Healthy Students Initiative - support of innovative school-community coordination to improve school safety, reduce student substance use, and enhance the social-emotional well-being of youth from preschool through Grade 12.	805-684-4141 1400 Linden Avenue Carpinteria, Ca 93013

5	Catholic Charities	Dr. Frank Bognar	Provides information and referral, casework and immigration services, food, emergency clothing and rental eviction assistance to families in economic crisis. Provides professional counseling (MFT Interns and Licensed Bilingual MFT) on a sliding fee to individuals and families. Rental assistance grants, electricity and natural gas grants and medical treatment grants. Offers seniors the following services through the Oasis Program: needs assessment and referrals, financial assistance, friendly visitors, telephone assistance and counseling.	805-965-7045 609 East Haley Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93103
6	City of Santa Barbara Parks and Recreation - Youth Council	Susan Young	The Santa Barbara Youth Council serves as youth advisory board to the Santa Barbara City Council and the Parks and Recreation Commission. The Youth Council's involvement in a variety of community service projects helps to improve the recreational opportunities available for area teens while also positively impacting the City at-large.	805-897-2649 Carrillo Recreation Center 100 East Carrillo Street Santa Barbara, Ca
7	Community Action Commission of Santa Barbara County (CAC)	Carolyn Contreras	CAC is a non-profit social service agency serving Santa Barbara County. Providing services to approximately 10,000 low-income individuals and families through the following areas: Children's Services, Energy Services, Family and Youth Services and Nutrition Services.	805-964-8857 5623 Hollister Avenue, Suite 230 Goleta, Ca 93117
8	CAC - Las Comadres	Carolyn Contreras	Help teenage girls to understand the consequences of life choices and focuses on the prevention of teen pregnancy, substance abuse and violence.	805-964-8857 5623 Hollister Avenue, Suite 230 Goleta, Ca 93117
9	CAC - Los Compadres	Carolyn Contreras	Helps teenage boys understand the consequences of life choices and focuses on the prevention of teen pregnancy, substance abuse and violence.	805-964-8857 5623 Hollister Avenue, Suite 230 Goleta, Ca 93117

10	CAC - Santa Barbara County Youth Corps	Carolyn Contreras	The CAC Santa Barbara County Youth Corps program offers young men and women the chance to serve their community and become employable citizens by providing them with life skills training, education, and work experience	805-964-8857 ext. 147 5623 Hollister Avenue, Suite 230, Goleta, Ca 93117
11	Community Counseling and Education Center	Patricia Cooper, MFT	Provides quality, affordable counseling services to individuals, couples, children and families or varying incomes throughout Santa Barbara County. Offers educational outreach projects that reflect the psychological and social concerns of the people in the community. Intern staff consists of approximately 20 graduate students who, under close supervision of licensed clinical staff, are obtaining their 3,000 hours required for California State licensing as marriage, family and child counselors.	805-962-3363 923 Olive Street, Suite 1 Santa Barbara, Ca 93101
12	Community Mediation Program of Santa Barbara County	Nancy Davis	Mediation to help people reach agreements and resolve disputes in a peaceful and friendly environment. Offers small claims, civil harassment and restorative justice mediation. Mediation includes workplace, neighborhood, landlord/tenant, youthful offender, consumer, business, family and community controversies with outreach sites in Santa Barbara County. Special youth programs and dispute resolution training.	805-963-6765 1528 Chapala Street, Suite 205 Santa Barbara, Ca 93101

13	Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (CADA)	Penny Jenkins	Provides counseling, community and school-based services by licensed clinicians, counselors and interns. Programs include: drug and alcohol abuse education, prevention, intervention, treatment and counseling to substance-dependent individuals, their families and the community. Community Services: Employee Assistance Program, Drinking Driver Program, Public Awareness programs and Homeless Outreach Program. Youth Services: mentoring program, violence prevention, parent education and support groups, mediation, community awareness, youth sober activities, Teen Court, alcohol and other drug education classes, school-based prevention and educational programs. A video library dealing with chemical dependency is available free to the public.	805-963-1433 232 East Canon Perdido Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93102
14	CADA - Daniel Bryant Youth and Family Treatment Center	Sofia Murillo	Provides safe, effective outpatient treatment for young people ages 12-18 who are struggling with alcohol and other drug problems.	805-730-7575 ext. 102 1111 Garden Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93101
15	CADA - Fighting Back Parent Program	Lino Celio	Based on the award-winning <i>Parent Project</i> curriculum, this educational program is designed specifically for parents who are facing the challenges associated with raising adolescents aged 10-18. The curriculum consists of six interactive classes. Parents are encouraged to bring their own experiences to the group and then work with the facilitator and each other to learn and incorporate effective parenting skills into their everyday lives.	805-730-7575, ext. 125 1111 Garden Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101
16	CADA - Fighting Back School Based Mentor Program	Juliana Lee	Provides youth in grades 4 through 8 with a compatibly matched adult to offer academic and emotional support through a one-to-one relationship. Volunteer mentors and protégés meet once a week for a minimum of one hour for one school year. Designed to help youth build a foundation of basic values and life-skills. Services provided to youth experiencing either academic difficulties, behavioral difficulties, family trauma or the absence of a significant adult role model.	805-963-1433 ext. 113232 East Canon Perdido St. Santa Barbara, Ca 93102

17	CADA - Teen Court	Ed Cue	Program has had to adapt supervision practices to better maintain a safe and secure environment due to increase of gang influenced youth. Program staff also made adaptations to Crime Awareness, Life Choices and Conflict Resolution curriculums to provide relevant intervention education addressing youth involved in gang related behavior. Program enhances Restorative Justice approaches to the court process and sentencing designs to instill empathy towards victims and a greater awareness of the individuals impact towards others due to acts of aggression or insensitivity of their actions.	805-730-7575, ext. 121 1111 Garden Street, Santa Barbara, Ca 93101 <b>North Santa Barbara County</b> Crystal Moreno Program Manager 805-925-8860, ext. 101
18	Court Appointed Special Advocates Santa Barbara County (CASA)	Maria Long	Screened and trained volunteers are provided to serve as personal advocates of court dependent children at the discretion of the juvenile court judge or commissioner. Volunteers may be appointed to a child who has been held up in the system beyond the legal time limit, who has changed foster homes a number of times or any other situation. Volunteers stay with one child or set of siblings until the case is resolved and the child is no longer court dependent.	805-879-1735 402 East Gutierrez Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93101
19	Domestic Violence Solutions for S.B. County-Teen Services		Teen services programs provide Healthy Relationship presentations and educational workshops as well as interventions at high schools.	805-964-5245 - Crisis line 805-963-4458 - Business P.O.Box 1536 Santa Barbara, Ca 93102
20	Endowment for Youth Committee	Susan Young	Youth services organization. Major programs include "Putting It Back", for at-risk Cleveland Elementary students, "Yes I Can", provides support and mentoring for African-American students MLK Basketball Tournament, many awards for academic, citizenship, community involvement and extracurricular activities. Track and field and basketball events, Summer Science Camp, and Engineering, technology and multimedia programs available.	805-730-3347 1136 East Montecito Street, Suite 2 Santa Barbara, Ca 93140

21	Family Service Agency	William E. G. Batty III, MSW	<p>Since 1899 Family Service Agency of Santa Barbara has been a leading community social service agency providing sliding scale and Medi-Cal, couple, individual, child and family counseling programs and support services, school-based mental health and community-based counseling programs and outreach support services. Also offers youth mentor/companionship programs and In-home senior services aimed at maintaining independent living. County-wide crisis intervention and suicide prevention as well as information and referral services including the publication and maintenance of the Community Resources Information Service (CRIS) Directory, the CRIS Internet Directory, specialized directories, mailing labels and the Survival Guide. Offices also in Lompoc.</p>	<p>805-965-1001 123 West Gutierrez St. Santa Barbara, Ca 93101</p>
22	Family Service Agency - Big Brothers Big Sisters	Bonnie Pack	<p>Matches young people between the ages of 7-17 with positive and fun adult volunteers. Volunteers are paired with a child who has similar interests, with whom they meet weekly to enjoy the magic of everyday moments such as riding a bike, cooking a meal, going to a ball game, or hanging out and talking. The program is free of charge and provides training, group activities and ongoing monitoring and support. As a result of their friendship, the lives of both the child and volunteer are enriched.</p>	<p>805-965-1001 ext. 238 123 West Gutierrez Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93101</p>
23	Family Service Agency 2-1-1 Santa Barbara County	Tarek Kanaan	<p>Free, confidential, County-wide 24 hours, 7 days a week multi-lingual para-professional Information and Referral to Health and Human Resources and crisis intervention. 2-1-1 is Santa Barbara County's only Suicide Prevention Hotline. Links people in need with agencies offering assistance.</p>	<p>Dial 2-1-1800-400-1572</p>
24	Franklin Neighborhood Center	Ricardo Venegas	<p>The Youth Art program provides a neutral platform from which youth from all neighborhoods can work together to eliminate negative behaviors, and/or offer alternatives to youth violence. Community members volunteer time and art supplies.</p>	<p>805-963-7605 1136 East Montecito Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93103</p>

25	Franklin Neighborhood Center - Youth Apprenticeship Program	Ricardo Venegas	Provides pre-employment training, job placement assistance as well as paid summer employment opportunities within the City of Santa Barbara to youth between the ages of 14-21. Youth are provided with career development and life skills workshops/trainings, including one on one mentoring.	805-963-7567 Franklin Neighborhood Center 1136 East Montecito Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93103
26	Franklin Neighborhood Center - Youth Art Alliance	Ricardo Venegas	A program designed to nurture the creative arts in high-risk youth from Eastside, Westside and eventually from Carpinteria, Goleta and Isla Vista. Provides a neutral platform from which youth from all neighborhoods can work together to eliminate negative behaviors and offers alternatives to youth violence. Currently working out of the Franklin Neighborhood Center.	805-897-2582 Franklin Neighborhood Center 1136 East Montecito Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93103
27	Franklin Youth Resource and Drop In Center		A place for youth to hang out and learn about education special programs and activities as well as available jobs and/or volunteer opportunities within the City.	805-897-2582 1136 East Montecito Street Summer Hours 2:30 - 6:30 p.m.
28	Girls Inc. of Greater Santa Barbara		Offers an environment where girls learn while having fun! Builds girls capacity for responsible and confident adulthood, economic independence and personal fulfillment. Provides structured, intentional, age appropriate activities for girls in the areas of Careers and Life Planning, Health and Sexuality, Leadership and Community Action, Sports and Adventure, Self-Reliance and Life Skills, Culture and Heritage. Encourages girls to be strong, smart and bold.	<b>Santa Barbara Center</b> 805-963-4757 531 E. Ortega Street Santa Barbara, CA 93103 <b>Goleta Valley Center</b> 805-967-0319 4973 Hollister Avenue Goleta, Ca 93102
29	Housing Authority's Youth Services		<b>Family Build</b> assists participants with a wide variety of services including counseling, medical treatment/assistance, and a directory for day-to-day living needs. Family Build is designed mainly for families living in our Public Housing and non-HUD properties, and referred Section 8 voucher participants. <b>Youth Programs</b> The Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara is committed to providing academic support and safe and constructive extracurricular programs for youth of all ages. We believe this is a key to creating a healthy, engaging community in which our resident children and teens can succeed and thrive.	805-897-1083 <a href="http://www.hacsb.org/cm/resident-services/Home.html">http://www.hacsb.org/cm/resident-services/Home.html</a>

30	Isla Vista Teen Center	Lenor Reyes	An academic enrichment and recreation program for teens based on the principles of self-empowerment and offers tutoring, homework assistance, positive activities, self-government, community service and parent involvement. A fun, structured alternative safe-place for pre-teen and teens to engage in a variety of recreational, educational and leadership activities as well as youth and family advocacy and counseling services and referrals. The program is run by the YMCA.	805-685-9170 899 Camino Del Sur Isla Vista, Ca 93117
31	Isla Vista Youth Projects Family Resource Center	Lu Ann Miller	Services include, parent education, parent resource library, information and referral, counseling, health screenings, support groups, family activities, bilingual services, space for on-site services from other agencies.	(805) 968-0488 6842 Phelps Road Goleta, Ca 93117 <a href="http://ivyp.org/">http://ivyp.org/</a>
32	Just Communities' CommUnity Leadership Institute	Jarrold Schwartz	Just Communities' CommUnity Leadership Institute is an 8-day residential summer program that prepares high school aged youth to understand injustice in the world and translate their understanding into positive social action. Through this intensive summer leadership program and year-round support, the CommUnity Leadership Institute has helped to develop a growing pool of young activists who are leading concrete and sustainable efforts to make their schools and communities better places. The CommUnity Leadership Institute helps youth develop the skills, knowledge, tools, and support they need to be effective leaders of social change around the issues that matter most to them.	805-966-2063 1528 Chapala St. Suite 308 Santa Barbara , Ca 93101  <a href="http://www.justcommunitiescc.org">http://www.justcommunitiescc.org</a>
33	Ken Rivas - Mentor	Ken Rivas, Chairperson Franklin Neighborhood Center Advisory Committee	One-on-one mentoring to youth involved in gangs and also serves as advisor to MECHA, a youth club at Santa Barbara High School.	805-963-7605 Franklin Neighborhood Center
34	La Casa de la Raza Youth Programs	Francisco Cervantes	Provides drop-in recreational, educational and cultural arts programs for the youth of Santa Barbara. Home of the Youth	805-965-8581 601 East Montecito Street

		Computer Academy.	Santa Barbara, Ca 93103
35	Liberty Program (tattoo removal)	The Liberty Program provides a service for the removal of antisocial tattoos from persons willing to exchange the treatment for community service with the goal of improving body, mind and spirit	805-681-5488 Santa Barbara County Public Health
36	New Beginnings Counseling Center - Youth Outreach Program	Gary Linker, Ph.D. We work with high-risk youth who are living in troubled homes. Often substance abuse and violence are the norm. Our staff collaborates with local schools, identifying those needing a different parental model, and inviting them to participate in group counseling. Working with both male and female counselor, these teens have a chance to learn about living a productive life. Participants in the program tell us that this time is the most meaningful part of their week and for many the only opportunity to see a man and a woman working cooperatively with each other.	805-963-7777 324 East Carrillo Street, Suite C Santa Barbara, Ca 93101
37	Noah's Anchorage Youth Crisis Shelter	Teri Bradford-Rouse Offers youth and family crisis intervention facilities which focus on runaway and high risk youth, ages 10-17, who are experiencing a crisis in their lives. The average stay is 3-5 days. Provides mentors and a safe haven for runaway and homeless youth, for youth in family crisis and for abused youth. Continued services include case management, family counseling and sessions. Street Outreach provides food, clothing, counseling and other emergency services. Teen center provides recreational activities and independent living skills. Staffed by counselors holding graduate degrees in MFT or related fields. Volunteers must be 18 years or older.	805-963-8775 301 West Figueroa Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93101
38	PALABRA	J.P. Herrada Palabra offers community based prevention programs for at-risk, underserved Latino. Palabra's youth program has four phases and is focused on building community, establishing mentorships, providing time for self-reflection, and identifying aspirations and goals. The program is designed to be dynamic and always evolving to the needs of its constituents as well as current issues	805-637-3491

		in the community. Palabra's team is composed of an Executive Director, Westside Program Coordinator, Eastside Program Coordinator, Goleta/Isla Vista Program Coordinator and Carpinteria Program Coordinator.	
39	Police Activities League	The Santa Barbara Police Activities League strives to provide quality educational, cultural and athletic programming for the youth of Santa Barbara and build positive relationships between the Police Department and all members of the community. Offers scholarships for a variety of different summer camps and year round classes/programs. Jr. High and High School students can become involved in the Youth Leadership Council.	805-962-5560 www.santabarbarapal.com
40	Police Activities League - Jr. High After School Sports Program	This partnership is a result of a unified effort on behalf of the South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs to provide an alternative to gang involvement and youth violence to the youth of the South Coast. In addition to after-school sports, the criteria for participation include personal accountability for each student to complete their homework, be a good citizen and maintain satisfactory grade point averages. Participation in after-school sports requires the student to attend school the day of a practice or a game.	805-962-5560 222 E. Anapamu St. Ste. 24 Santa Barbara, Ca 93101
41	Police Activities League - Twelve35 Center	Ed Szeyller It's all about having fun & relaxing! Twelve35 is for Santa Barbara Teen's to play on our XBOX 360, PS3, Wii, full DDR system, the Internet, Air Hockey, pool table, Foosball, free wi-fi, snack bar and a recording studio. Weekly activities, contests, classes and special events will be offered throughout the year.	805-962-5560 1235 Chapala Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93101

42	Police Activities League - Club Sports		Club programs were created (soccer and basketball) due to a need for a quality free club teams. During practices, beginning players learn the fundamentals of the game while the more experienced players strengthen their skills. PAL Soccer club teams are provided with jerseys, transportation and their tournaments fees along with lodging all courtesy of PAL. The boys are also required to maintain a 2.0 GPA and have no negative interaction with law enforcement. Club Basketball includes tournament play, travel to different locations and a broader range of competition based on playing in larger tournaments with more athletes. All uniforms, transportation, coaches, food, hotels and tournament fees are provided by SBPAL.	805-962-5560 1235 Chapala Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93101
43	Santa Barbara City College - CARES	Marsha Wright	As a supplemental component of EOPS, CARE provides educational support services designed for the academically underprepared, low income, single parent population. Financial assistance and childcare may be awarded as a means of strengthening the retention, persistence, graduation, and transfer rates of these individuals. Students participating in CARE may choose to pursue vocational certificate or license, associate degree, or transfer four-year universities.	805-965-0581 ext. 2279 Student Services Building Room 240 721 Cliff Drive Santa Barbara, Ca 93109 eops@sbcc.edu <a href="http://www.sbcc.edu/eopscare/">http://www.sbcc.edu/eopscare/</a>
44	Santa Barbara City College - EOPS	Noel Gomez	The Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) is a state-funded support program designed to provide academic support, financial assistance and encouragement for eligible - educationally disadvantaged students. The goal of the program is to help eligible students meet their educational objectives, whether they seek occupational certificates, associate degrees, or transfer to four-year institutions.	805-965-0581 ext. 2279 Student Services Building Room 240 721 Cliff Drive Santa Barbara, Ca 93109 eops@sbcc.edu <a href="http://www.sbcc.edu/eopscare/">http://www.sbcc.edu/eopscare/</a>

45	Santa Barbara City College - Summer Bridge Program - Running Start	Adolfo Corral	Running Start is a 6-week summer bridge program for local high school students completing the 12th grade. Running Start provides services to students who may be financially and/or educationally disadvantaged and who may be unprepared for college-level Math and English. There are 65 spots available each summer and students must go through an interview process to be selected.	805-965-0581 ext. 2292
46	Santa Barbara County Department of Social Services		Administration office for county financed social services. Food Stamp Program, General Relief, MediCal, Child and Adult Protective Services, Adoption Services, Foster Family Home Licensing and In-Home Supportive Services.	805-681-4401 234 Camino Del Remedio Santa Barbara, Ca 93110
47	Santa Barbara County Education Office - Juvenile Court and Community School Programs	Fred Razo, Administrator	Community schools serve four types of students: those who are criminal law violators transitioning back to school from Los Prietos Boys Camp, juvenile halls or counseling and education centers; probation-referred status offenders; social service referrals; or district expulsions. Residential Court Schools operate within the probation facility and are for criminal law violators who have been removed from the home by the court. Residential schools serve students at Los Robles High School at Los Prietos Boys Camp and Santa Maria Juvenile Hall.	805-964-4710
48	Santa Barbara County Probation Department	Patricia Stewart	Provides court investigations and supervision for offenders. Also provides step parent adoption, conservatorship and guardianship investigations. Coordinates the Drug Endangered Children's (DEC) program.	805-882-3700 117 East Carrillo Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93101
49	Santa Barbara Junior High Core Project	Lito Garcia Principal	The CORE program is a classroom proactive prevention and intervention school approach in which 15 of the most at risk boys at Santa Barbara Junior High are identified and provided support.	Santa Barbara Junior High 723 East Cota Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93103

		The teachers engage with the youth, spend time with the students and work with them to prepare them for success in their academic future.	
50	Santa Barbara Unified School District - After School Education and Safety (ASES)  Debi Badger	The A-OK! Program (After school Opportunities for Kids) at Adams, Cleveland, Franklin, Harding, and McKinley elementary schools and the After School Program at La Cumbre Junior High operate every school day until 6 p.m. These excellent programs receive major funding from the California Department of Education through a statewide After School Education and Safety (ASES) grant program. Each site is supervised by well-trained staff and offers a structured, engaging array of academic and enrichment activities. Major partners include the Santa Barbara Unified School District, the site schools, City of Santa Barbara Parks and Recreation Department, Police Activities League, and Family Service Agency of Santa Barbara. Each year, various other partners bring special program curricula. As the lead agency, the Santa Barbara Unified School District administers the program.	805-963-7751 ext. 201 Santa Barbara Junior High 723 East Cota Street Room 152 Santa Barbara, Ca 93103
51	Santa Barbara Unified School District - Youth Violence Intervention Specialist  Ismael Huerta  Outreach Coordinator	In 2009 SBUSD launched an intervention program for students identified by school personnel as possibly involved in gangs. The youth outreach specialist helps the school district meet primary goals of connecting the students with school and reducing the level of gang related conflict and violence. Students that have participated in the program have reported lower rates of delinquency, victimization and pressure to join gangs. The program has been found as overall effective based on the improvement of student levels of self-esteem, educational attitudes and self-reported decrease in negative gang behaviors. In 2011 the youth outreach specialist reached 150 students at district schools as well as El Puente School and Los Prietos Boys Camp.	ihuerta@sbsdk12.org 720 Santa Barbara Street Santa Barbara, Ca 93101

52	The Musicbox	Philip Gilley	A recording studio environment packed with guitars, basses, drums, keyboards, DJ/turntables, computers with music software and a full recording studio.	805-613-7308 <b>SB East Boys and Girls Club</b> - 632 East Canon Perdido <b>SB West Boys and Girls Club</b> - 602 West Anapamu Street <b>Twelve35 Center</b> - 1235 Chapala St. www.musicbox-studio.com info@notesfornotes.org
53	Toastmasters Soldiers	Billiejoe Starr	Toastmasters Soldiers offers mentorship, career and educational counseling, and a positive presence upon release from Los Prietos Boys camp. We work with each released young man to reduce their recidivism risk and to ensure they are on task.	805-689-3755 <a href="http://toastmasterssoldiers.com/">http://toastmasterssoldiers.com/</a>
54	United Boys and Girls Clubs		Offer programs focusing on development in arts, education, music, sports, cooking, dance, and other recreational activities for Teens. Teen Outreach Program (T.O.P.)	805-681-1315 <b>West Boys and Girls Club</b> - 602 West Anapamu Street 805-967-1612 <b>Goleta Boys &amp; Girls Club</b> - 5701 Hollister Ave., Goleta, Joe Roderick 805-684-1568 <b>Carpinteria Boys &amp; Girls Club</b> 4849 Foothill Road, Carpinteria - Rich Medel www.unitedbg.org
55	Youth Cinemedia	Osiris Castañeda/ Regina Ruiz	To improve community access and education for at-risk teens in emerging media technologies, while fostering character building and empowerment through developing social skills, providing marketable job training and the instructional support to create inspiring, thought-provoking films, music and visual art that promote dialogue and social change. YCM focuses its outreach on under-served communities, with an emphasis on youth from extremely low-income families and those with involvement in gangs and/or the juvenile justice system.	805-680-1954 P.O. Box 90423 Santa Barbara, Ca 93190

56	ySTRIVE for Youth, Inc.	Keith Terry	<p>A youth-initiated, member-driven youth organization consisting of integrated short and long term, member-identified projects that focus on the fundamental causes of at-risk, high-risk and gang-risk behaviors in youth.</p> <p>Provide growth opportunities through membership that produce relevant measurable successes in finance, education, and societal restoration for youth and their families to create safe, healthy, progressive communities.</p>	<p>805-576-7627  P.O. Box 41641  Santa Barbara, Ca 93140  <a href="http://www.ystrive.org">http://www.ystrive.org</a></p>
57	Zona Seca, Inc.	Frank Banales	<p>Offers drug and alcohol counseling for substance abusers and their families. Provides drinking driver classes for first offenders, a drug diversion program, a court ordered family violence program, prevention programs, youth offender program.</p>	<p>805-963-8961  26 West Figueroa Street  Santa Barbara, Ca 93101</p>

# South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs Local Service Provider Survey Response April 2011

## Methodology

Survey instrument was developed and sent to 100 local programs on April 18, 2011

41 surveys were completed and returned for a response rate of 41%

Margin of Error for this survey is approximately 12%

## Selected Findings

70% of the programs focus on primary and/or secondary gang prevention

33% of the programs target individuals currently in the probation system

53% of the programs have been created in the last 6 years

56% of the programs are evidence based

## **I. Types of Programs**

1. Secondary Gang Prevention – 19 (47.5%)
2. Primary Gang Prevention – 9 (22.5%)
3. Gang Intervention – 9 (22.5%)
4. Work with Youth on Probation – 13 (32%)
5. Work with Parolees – 7 (17.5%)
6. Parent Programs – 2 (5%)

## **II. Other Findings**

1. Serve clients receiving other county services - 14
2. Single service provision - 23
3. Work with youth 14 – 17 years old - 28

## **III. Organization and Program List**

# South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs

## Services Providers Response April 2011

	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Program</u>
1	AllforOne	<i>Gang Intervention / Prevention</i>
2	Carpinteria Unified School District	<i>Safe Schools Healthy Students Initiative</i>
3	City of Santa Barbara Parks and Recreation	<i>Neighborhood and Outreach Services</i>
		<i>Summer Fun Drop-in</i>
		<i>Recreation After School</i>
		<i>Neighborhood Advisory Council</i>
		<i>Santa Barbara School Districts ASES</i>
		<i>Culinary Arts Program</i>
		<i>Youth Council</i>
4	City of Santa Barbara Police Department	<i>Law Enforcement</i>
5	Community Action Commission	<i>Los Compadres/Las Comadres</i>
		<i>Santa Barbara Youth Corps</i>
		<i>JJCPA</i>
6	Community Solutions, Inc.	<i>Day Reporting Center</i>
7	Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse	<i>Teen Court</i>
		<i>Fighting Back Parent Program</i>
		<i>Youth Service System</i>
8	Dept. of Social Services and Child Welfare Services	
9	Family Service Agency	<i>Probation Youth Counseling Program</i>
		<i>Big Brothers Big Sisters</i>
10	New Beginnings Counseling Center	<i>Youth Outreach Program</i>
11	Police Activities League (PAL)	
12	Primo Boxing	<i>Say Yes to Kids</i>
13	Santa Barbara City College (SBCC)	<i>EOPS Transition Program</i>
14	Santa Barbara County Education Office	<i>Juvenile Court and Community Schools</i>
15	Santa Barbara District Attorney's Office	
16	Santa Barbara County Reentry Project	<i>Chance for Change Scholarships</i>
17	Santa Barbara Region Chamber of Commerce	
18	Santa Barbara Unified School District	<i>Core Project at Santa Barbara Jr. High</i>
		<i>Youth Violence Intervention Specialist</i>
19	Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office	<i>After School Education and Safety (ASES)</i>
20	Toastmasters Soldiers	<i>Law Enforcement</i>
21	University of California, Santa Barbara	<i>Youth Leadership Los Prietos Boys Camp</i>
22	United Boys and Girls Club - SB West Clubhouse	<i>Early Academic Outreach Program?</i>
		<i>Teen Outreach Program (T.O.P)</i>
		<i>Teen Late Night</i>
		<i>Career Launch</i>
23	Michael Colin	<i>Sailing for At-Risk Youth</i>
24	Milpas Community Association	
25	The Ramos Group	

# Family and Youth Services Resource Guide Card



**FAMILY & YOUTH SERVICES  
RESOURCE GUIDE**

A violent crime can impact many aspects of a person's life. Not only does crime affect the victim but also, loved ones and sometimes even, an entire community. A crime can have long lasting physical, emotional and financial effects.

[www.youthgangtaskforce.org](http://www.youthgangtaskforce.org)  
For more cards call 805-964-8857 ext. 172

**SERVICES THAT CAN HELP/SERVICIOS QUE PUEDEN AYUDAR:**

- Community Action Commission (CAC) 805-964-8857 ext. 152  
-Task Force Coordinator, Saul Serrano
- SAFTY 888-334-2777
- Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (CADA) 805-962-6195  
-Project Recovery (Drop In)
- County Mental Health Access 888-868-1649
- Family Service Agency (FSA) 2-1-1
- Palabra 805-637-3491



**FAMILY & YOUTH SERVICES  
GUIA DE RECURSOS**

Un crimen violento puede impactar varios aspectos de la vida de una persona. Los crímenes no solo afectan a la víctima, sino también a sus seres queridos y, a veces, a la comunidad entera. Un crimen puede tener efectos físicos, emocionales y financieros de largo plazo.

[www.youthgangtaskforce.org](http://www.youthgangtaskforce.org)

## ***Safe Schools Healthy Students Initiative Carpinteria 2010-2011 Annual Report Summary***

Carpinteria Unified School District (CUSD) and Safe Schools Healthy Students Initiative grant collaborative partners' focus of activities in the 5th year of the initiative is to continue building capacity of program effectiveness and work toward sustainability of programs and services. Carpinteria Unified serves a population of about 2,330 students. The 4 year collaborative with Santa Barbara County Sheriff's, Santa Barbara Probation Department, Santa Barbara County Mental Health, UCSB, and numerous community partners continues to assess the effectiveness of programs and services. Over the course of the initiative school climate has notably improved. Referrals for student services continue to be processed at a healthy rate, with a new direction at Carpinteria Middle School that provides alternatives to suspension. Outcome goals regarding service numbers have already been reached in many instances, yet, continued service in social, behavioral, and mental health interventions is still necessary.

### ***Element 1 - Safe School Environment and Violence***

The **Sheriff and Deputy** participated in meetings with administrators, teachers and counselors regarding recognition of possible criminal issues with regard to student behaviors. There has been a positive impact made at our area schools by the Sheriff Department's desire to develop working relationships with the schools and have a visible presence at area schools. The Community Resource Officer position, a valuable resource to the schools, lost funding at the end of the 2010-2011 school year.

Carpinteria Middle School (CMS) has seen a trend of decreasing suspensions, due to a change in the suspension policy. Specifically, CMS is providing Teen Court Services to students rather than suspending students for district discipline code violations. Carpinteria High School's suspension rate has slowly decreased over the grant course.

The **Probation** goal for the assigned School Based Officer and other Deputy Probation Officers supervising students in Carpinteria schools is to make referrals to the substance abuse program, as well as increase referrals for probation supervised youth and youth returning to school from juvenile justice placements to school-based services (YSS, START, and parent education) by over 25% the four years of the project. At the closing of the current reporting period 2010-2011, 17 probationers were attending a Carpinteria area school. Eleven (65%) were referred to a Safe School Health Student (SSHS) program; 8 probationers participated in one SSHS program, 2 participated in two SSHS programs and 2 participated in three SSHS programs. The breakdown is as follows:

- START Program – 4 participants
- Treatment Service – 3 participants
- Crisis Intervention – No participants
- The Parent Program – 2 participants
- Attendance Program – 1 participant
- Mediation – 1 Participant
- Reconnecting Youth – 1 Participant
- Super Program – 1 Participant
- Teen Court – 2 Participants

- Teen Court Contract Services – 2 Participants (1 participant was referred twice).

The SSHA initiative allows for greater local access to the programs provided by the Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA), Teen Court and Daniel Bryant Youth and Family Treatment Center and provides a greater opportunity to service the youth and families in the Carpinteria area.

Teachers and After School staff are trained to implement **Too Good for Violence**, a universal prevention curriculum in each indicated classroom. Students in grades K-9 and the After School program receive and participate in the prevention education curriculum and follow-up activities.

Canalino Elementary completed development of a School-wide Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) system during 2010-11 and is implementing this program campus-wide with fidelity. All instructional assistants, office managers, and bus drivers were trained to implement PBIS and the four campus-wide expectations. Carpinteria Middle School is creating a School Climate Team and will develop its PBIS plan in 2011-12.

**Teen Court** coordinated 8 court hearing and 2 mock trial nights at the Carpinteria City Council Chambers. There were 23 educational workshops (Conflict Resolution, Life Choices, Crime Awareness, and Alcohol Drug Education) at the Carpinteria Veterans Memorial Building and 21 education workshops and groups at Carpinteria Middle School. During this Safe Schools Healthy Student annual reporting period Teen Court provided services to 270 students: 13 went through Peer Review Court, 106 participated in educational intervention classes or group services, and 98 students volunteered for Jury Duty. There were 53 students that were provided three outreach presentations by Teen Court, Law Enforcement and Probation as part of the “Youth and the Law” series.

Teen Court is an effective mechanism to get parents involved in Parent Program services, and students engaged in alcohol and drug intervention and/or treatment services. Teen Court is a powerful intervention program that addresses delinquency, youth violence, and alcohol and drug issues. It is a program that provides schools and their administrators with an opportunity to connect students in need with relevant intervention services that will help them make better choices and thus, better students. These opportunities cannot be available to students if they are not referred or connected to these services. Our goal was to provide Teen Court services to 460 students by the end of the project. To date there have been 1030\* students served by Teen Court throughout the life of this SSHA contract (*\*approximately 824 unduplicated youth. 1030 reflects the total number of duplicated clients that have participated in one or more of the three Teen Court services*). One-hundred-three students went through Peer Review Court, 509 participated in educational intervention classes or group services, and 175 students volunteered for Jury Duty, 45 middle school boys participated in gender specific workshops, 198 middle school students participated in “Youth and the Law” workshops.

The administration at Carpinteria Middle School has taken full advantage of the Teen Court services available and committed his time to make Teen Court a life changing opportunity for students at his school. In order to meet the need, Teen Court increased the frequency of education classes and court nights. The assistant Principal is a great example how powerful a school administrator can be with connecting students to valuable student services. This working relationship also demonstrates how Teen Court was able to adapt to the needs by increasing services.

During this report period, the Fighting Back **Parent Program** received 86 referrals (27 English and 59 Spanish). We completed sixteen parent education six week series. Forty-five parents (9 English and 36 Spanish) completed the program successfully. Parent Program provides a valuable resource to parents of students and families with discipline, drug and alcohol, and juvenile justice issues.

This school year we were able to improve the implementation of developing and supporting safe school environments and safe, respectful student conduct; increase meaningful student and parent involvement through implementation of District-wide and **School-Wide Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) Systems** that provide universal, targeted, and indicated levels of behavior support by all district staff.

### ***Element 2 - Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Prevention***

The **Youth Service Specialists (YSS)** have become well-established on their campuses providing the needed individual counseling services, coordinating successful Club Live/Friday Night Live (FNL/CL) Clubs, facilitating the FNL Mentoring program, and facilitating the Reconnecting Youth groups. During this time period YSS have provided a total of 715 Individual Services to approximately 207 unique students; of these services, there were 185 one-on-one Assistance, 238 Therapeutic Counseling, 103 Mediations, 110 Interview/Intakes, 36 Follow-ups, 13 Crisis Interventions, 5 parent conferences, and 5 Teacher Conference. YSS have successfully implemented Friday Night Live/Club Live clubs on each secondary school campuses and have coordinated regular chapter meetings in addition to leadership meetings. Red Ribbon Week and Free 4 the Weekend campaigns raised campus-wide awareness regarding the risks and harms associated with drugs and alcohol and a total of 540 students pledged to be drug and alcohol free during Red Ribbon Week with 675 students pledging to be drug and alcohol free during Free 4 the Weekend.

The **Substance Use Prevention Education Resource (S.U.P.E.R.)** Program is a free, bilingual, early family intervention program that offers an educational group for parents and their teenage children. The program consists of four evening sessions, held once a week for four weeks at Carpinteria Middle and High Schools throughout the year. The sessions focus on increasing parental involvement with their children, teen self-esteem, and family communication skills, and include discussions about the legal, psychological, and physical aspects of substance abuse.

Twenty-two students/and families from the CUSD were referred to the SUPER Program during this reporting period. Of the families referred, 9 completed the four-week program and 6 families completed an alternative (more intense) treatment program, transferred out of the district, or refused services.

A part-time **Treatment Counselor** is involved in the schools and works closely with the school staff, including teachers, START therapists and counselors. He spends three mornings a week at Carpinteria High School, one at Rincon Continuation School, and continues to provide treatment groups at the Carpinteria Children's Project at Main. At the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year client attendance was low, with an average 3-4 students actively engaged in treatment. Counselor was able to stabilize treatment services, and through his effort, participation increased to 8-10 active students. In addition to the moderate treatment program track, He is also offering an eight-week Cannabis Youth Treatment (CYT) program; during this report period, 4 students participated in CYT. During this reporting period, treatment services were provided to 33 students. Nineteen of these students were discharged from the program (failed/ graduated), and 14 students are currently being served. Of the 33 student participants, 17 were from Rincon Continuation School and 16 were from Carpinteria High School; 6 were in CYT.

### ***Element 3 - Student, Behavioral, Social, and Emotional Supports***

**After School Program** ended the previous school year with all four classes continuing until the end of the semester. The After School Program operates four days a week. Classes are provided in Culinary Arts, Computer Lab/ Study Center, Spinning, and tutorials. During summer program an Exploring Sporting Opportunities program was offered for 32 students not engaged in physical sports; a summer algebra academy and math tutorial was provided to 25 students; Academic of Healing Arts

provided mentoring to 10 students; and a Healthy Lifestyle class incorporating nutrient and cooking accommodated 20 students.

**LINK Crew** this year began with two training days for juniors and seniors, a freshman orientation, tailgate party, ice cream social. LINK program provides a mentoring opportunity for incoming freshman with upper classroom, promoting relationship building, and positive school climate. **WEB**, the middle school equivalent began orientation in 2011. Students meet throughout the year at both schools with upper classmen leaders.

The **Mentor Program** serves students in grade 4-8, matching a positive role model or mentor with a child in need of intervention. There are 23 active mentoring matches. To date, there have been a total of 45 matches under the Carpinteria Safe Schools Healthy Students grant. There are currently 25 students (11 boys, 14 girls; 8 middle school, 17 elementary) waiting to be matched and 5 mentors interested in mentoring in Carpinteria that have started the application process.

#### ***Element 4 - Mental Health Services***

**The Support, Treatment, Advocacy, and Referral Team (START)** Counselors/Therapists served all schools within the Carpinteria Unified School District (CUSD) during the 2010-2011 school year. Therapists provided individual and group services throughout the school year, and individual services during the summer months. During this reporting period, there were 3,986 Individual Services provided to approximately \*350 unique students; of these 2501 were Therapeutic Counseling, 440 Parent Conference, 245 Follow-up, 170 Interview/Intake, 387 Teacher Conference, 81 One-on-One Assistance, 115 Client Advocacy, and 38 Crisis Intervention (\*This number of unique students is approximated due to the fact that YSS and START therapists may have seen some of the same/duplicate students (and our service report combines these numbers). Individual reports may be run by each START counselor to have a more accurate number). The START therapists have also facilitated several emotional support groups on the various campuses as follows:

- Canalino Elementary: 7 Social Skills support group sessions reaching 2-4 students each session
- Summerland Elementary: 13 Social Skills support sessions, reaching 3-6 students each session
- Aliso Elementary: 1 social skills support group session reaching 3 students
- Carpinteria High School: 9 Grief Support group sessions with 2-6 students at each session

#### ***Element 5 – Early Childhood Social and Emotional Learning***

Canalino Preschool is currently serving 48 children in our preschool and after school Kindergarten program. The current curriculum is in alignment with NAEYC Accreditation that covers school readiness skills, emotional and social development. This program is a paid pre-school program. The Children's Collaborative at Main supports early intervention and provides children and families with supports from cradle to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade committed to creating a vision that all children in Carpinteria will be ready for Kindergarten and will continue to success in school and in life.

# California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA) California Gang Reduction, Intervention, and Prevention (CalGRIP) Program FY 2008/2009 CalGRIP Summary

**Project Goal:** To see an overall reduction in gang membership, gang activity and violent crime as it relates to gang involved youth through a comprehensive strategy of prevention/education, intervention, and suppression.

**Prevention/Education:** To provide prevention education to at least 126 students at-risk for gang involvement.

Objective 1: To deliver the Phoenix Curriculum to 126 youth (4th, 5th and 6th graders with gang affiliations or at high risk of being recruited) and 126 parents/guardians of these youth for a total of 252.

Objective 2: To see a statistically significant change in their (the youth) pre- and post-assessments of negative behaviors and social emotional competence.

## Outcomes

Students completing the curriculum will demonstrate a statistically significant decrease in acceptance of negative behaviors (physical aggression, verbal derogation and social exclusion).

## Final Outcomes

Forty five students completed the curriculum. No statistical significance could be established with the limited number of participants.

**Intervention/Education:** To provide targeted case management, including life/ vocational skills and support services, to an additional 160 youth, ages 13-17, over 18 months.

## Objectives

### *Educational Objectives:*

- Objective 1: To increase school attendance of the 160 youth to be served.
- Objective 2: To increase educational outcomes of the 160 youth to be served.

### *Intervention/Education Objectives:*

- Objective 1: To provide intensive case management services to 40 men and 40 women who are at-risk of being involved in gangs.
- Objective 2: Deliver El Joven Noble and the Claridad curricula to the same group.

*Life Skills and Vocational Development Objectives:*

- Objective 1: Deliver the Peaks Mastery classroom curriculum to 48 youth in the target population (12 youth per trimester x 4).
- Objective 2: Provide intensive individual counseling/case management services to 48 students in Peaks Mastery (an average of 35 youth at any given time inclusive of 16-20 youth who will receive substance abuse treatment/counseling in group settings twice per week).

Outcomes

*Educational:* Attendance rates rise substantially for youth attending secondary school, of those who are not credit compliant, 80% will be on the road to compliance by end of grant period.

*Intervention/Education:* A twenty five percent (25%) reduction in the probability of male and female adolescents' continued involvement in a street gang; and, a twenty five (25%) improvement in psycho-social issues that impede the youths' successful integration into the community and reduction of their risk of gang involvement.

*Life Skills and Vocational Development:* Eighty percent (80%) of students will produce a written education/career plan and complete all class assignments. Eighty percent (80%) of participants will remain in school, have successfully graduated from high school, and/or be enrolled in post-secondary education/vocational training six months after program completion. Thirty percent (30%) will attain employment. (For youth completing the program in the first 12 months of program delivery.)

Final Outcomes

*Educational:*

- 20 out of 30 (67%) 12th graders on probation graduated
- 14 of 39 (36%) initially 11th grade students graduated
- 10 additional students graduated that were not on probation
- 41 out of 99 (41%) credit deficient students came into compliance by the end of the grant

*Intervention/Education:*

- 50 out of 171 (30%) Los Compadres/Las Comadres participants showed a reduced probability of continued involvement in a street gang
- 82 out of 171 (48 %) Los Compadres/Las Comadres participants showed improvement in psycho-social issues as well as reduced likelihood of gang involvement

*Life Skills and Vocational Development:*

- 38 out 48 (80%) Peaks Mastery participants completed the program and completed a written educational/career plan and all class assignments.
- 18 remained in school/entered post-secondary education or vocational training, six months after completing the Peaks Mastery program (participants prior to September 2010)
- 18 out 48 (38%) obtained jobs

**Suppression:** The SBPD will conduct in-field suppression and incident follow-up targeted at a reduction in overall crime as it relates to the 160 youth on formal probation with gang terms and conditions.

- Objective 1: To reduce recidivism as it relates to the target population.
- Objective 2: To see a reduction in violent crime as it relates to the target population.

#### Outcomes

A ten percent (10%) decrease in probation referrals and twenty percent (20%) decrease in violent crime.

Final Outcomes: The figure below provides information regarding youth gang statistics during the grant period:

- Juveniles involved in gang-related incidents
- Youth involved in gang-related charges
- Youth arrested for gang-related incidents
- Youth committing violent offenses

While a direct correlation between the grant effort and the overall youth gang-related activity can't be made the grant efforts may have been a contributing factor in the reduced number of youth involved in gang-related incidents.

# California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA) California Gang Reduction, Intervention, and Prevention (CalGRIP) Program CalGRIP II Summary

## **Goal**

Reduction in gang membership/activity and an increase in educational goals via intervention, re-entry, education/skills training and family support

## **Eligible Population**

Youth with Gangs, Terms and Conditions, self-identified, at risk and youth flagged by Probation as being involved in a gang

## **Area of Grant**

South Coast – Goleta (IV included) to Carpinteria

**Number of youth to be served** - 120 youth

**Primary Strategy** –Case Management for youth and families including:

- Intensive case management
- Educational support
- Substance abuse support
- Skills training
- Educational learning excursions to colleges, universities and

## **Objectives**

**Objective 1** – Case Management strategy – 110 clients

**Objective 2** – Job/life Skills – 60 clients

- Experiential learning excursions
- Excursions - SBCC, USC, UCSB, UCLA, Museum of Tolerance

**Objective 3** – Intervention/Education – 120 clients

- Educational assessment
- Educational plan
- Credit compliance
- Graduation of Seniors

**Objective 4** – Community/Family Support – 50 families

- Youth to attend parenting support groups

- Parent participation
- Parenting Health Educator to lead groups

**Objective 5 – Re-Entry – 85 youth**

- Bridges to Recovery – 25 clients
  - 25 males from Los Prietos Boys Camp
- Project Toward No Drug Abuse (TND) – 60 clients
  - High school age 14 – 19 years old
  - 12 classroom sessions over 4 weeks
  - Participation in all 50-minute lessons required

**Outcomes**

**Each client will receive:**

- Individual case management
- Needs assessment
- Educational assessment
- Referrals to additional services as needed

**Intervention outcomes**

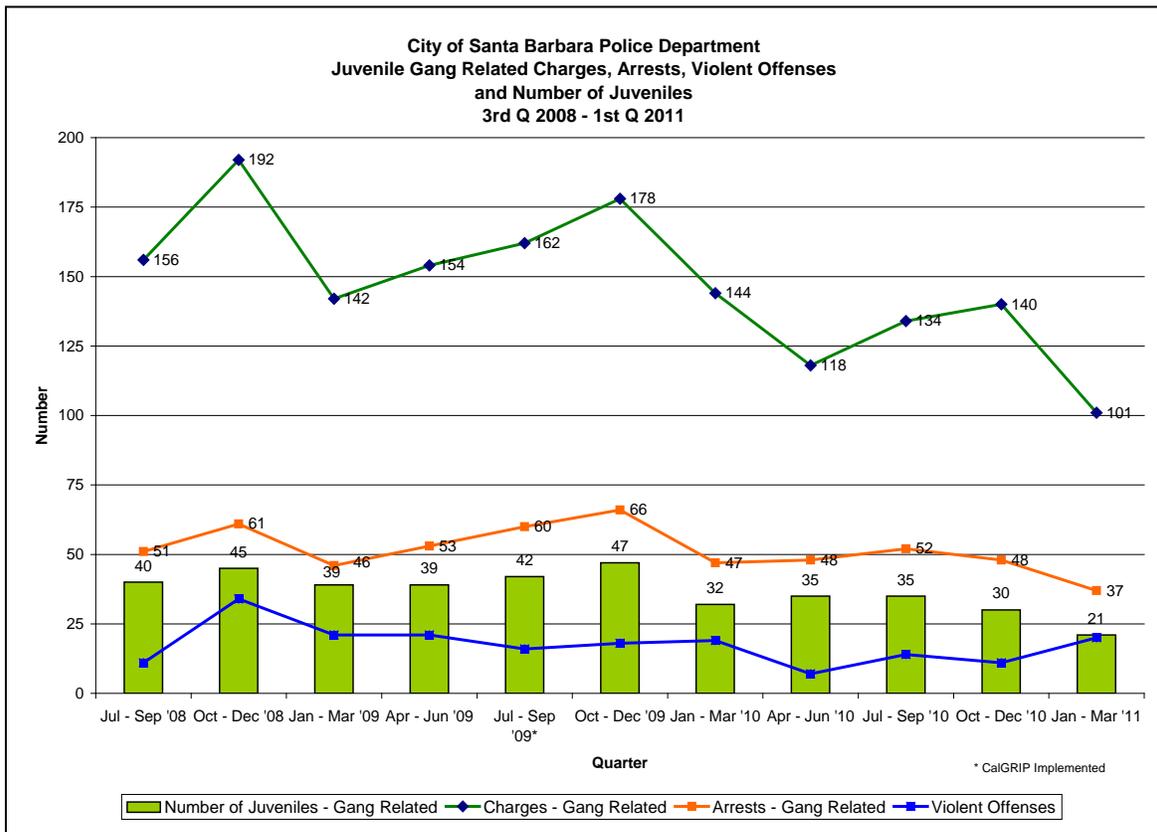
- 110 case management
  - 25% reduction in the probability of continued involvement in a street gang
  - 15% will meet terms and conditions
  - 60% will take part in Los Compadres
  - 75% will take part in Las Comadres
  - 80% of Los Compadres/Las Comadres will complete the 10 week program
- 110 youth will receive an Educational Assessment
  - 75% increase in school attendance
  - 80% on the road to credit compliance (initially not compliant)
  - 60% of eligible seniors will graduate
- 60 youth will participate in Experiential Learning/Job/Life skills
  - 90% will be able to discuss the importance of completing high school
  - 90% will gain life skills
  - 90% will be able to discuss obeying the law and the ramifications

**Re-Entry Outcomes - 85 Youth**

- 25 will participate in the Bridges Program
  - 25% reduction in drug and alcohol use
  - 50% will be able to accurately talk about drug and alcohol abuse
- 60 will participate in the Project TND
  - 25% reduction in drug and alcohol use
  - 50% will be able to accurately talk about drug and alcohol abuse

**Family Support Outcomes**

- 50 youth and their families
  - 50% will understand the importance of healthy relationships
  - Additional 25% of parents will be connected with services



**SOUTH COAST YOUTH INTERVENTION PROJECT:  
CONNECTING YOUTH TO SERVICES**

**Project Description**

The purpose of South Coast Youth Intervention Project: Connecting Youth to Services (SCYIP) is to gather data on youths' involvement in programs designed to help them successfully complete probation terms and participate in the community and evaluate the coordination and efficacy of the programs. Through SCYIP, the core agencies involved in providing services to youth will be able to communicate and share information. SCYIP includes Santa Barbara County Probation Department (Probation), Community Action Commission (CAC), and the following schools: Santa Barbara County Education Office, Santa Barbara Unified School District and Carpinteria Unified School District. This project is not funded and is a community service offered by a partnership between Probation, CAC, and schools in the south coast of Santa Barbara County.

The goal of SCYIP is to enhance the coordination of services provided to youth. Assessments will be used to guide treatment and to evaluate the quality and success of services. The agencies that work with youth will be able to communicate about the services that are available and how well these services are working for each youth and information about each youth will be discussed in case management meetings. In this way, SCYIP will be able to provide better coordination of services to each youth.

Data will be collected on each participating youth in a confidential manner to evaluate the program. The data collected through this project will only be used to help youth. Data will include program participation, probation risks and assets, recidivism, and school data. These data will allow us to understand what programs can help youth succeed. Data that can identify an individual youth will NOT be shared with the city, police, or the sheriff. Only group, anonymous data will be shared with the community to illustrate how effective the project and programs are and to better understand the challenges faced by youth in our community.

Parents may be worried about sharing data about their children with CAC, Probation, and the schools. We have developed a system to protect your privacy. All information collected from you and your child will be kept private through a partnership with the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB). Researchers at UCSB will assign a personal identification number (PIN) to each youth to link all information gathered. These numbers, and no names, will be used when sharing data with agencies. Youths' names will only be used to identify treatment or services opportunities.