

# County of Riverside Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission (JJDPC) Inspection – GROUP HOME 2022

Date	9/28/2022
Name of Facility	Harvest Safe Haven for Boys
Address	6425 Sierra Vista Ave, Riverside CA 92505
Phone	
Contact Person	Citlali Hernandez
JJDPC Inspectors	Micheal Malsed and Paul Parker
Date of Last JJDPC Inspection	
CCL Contact Name	
Date of last CCL Inspection	

## **Staff Interviewed:**

Name	Title	How long at GH?	Notes
Patrick Holland	Facilities Manager	8 mos	
Citlali Harnandez	Office Manager	2 yr	
Daniel Park	Owner	6 yr	
1			

#### Describe the following:

Population	6 male youths, ages 13-18
Type of Care / Treatment	STRTP, Residential and Mental Health
Currently, what is the biggest challenge you face at the home	Drug related short term AWOL (typically marijuana)
What is the one thing you are most proud of	Coaching, significant amount of "men" type fellowship and family atmosphere

Staffing:

Total number of staff	17 (including 3 Mental Health)	
Ratio of staff to youth	Day Shift: 3:1 PM Shift: 3:1 Night Shift: 6:1	
Minimum educational requirement	HS Graduation; BS in Social Services for administration Mental health requires MS in Psychology	
Rate of retention for staff	Couple of years	

## Training:

What is the training regimen for staff	40 hours / year, each month – schedule posted
How is the staff trained for behavior issues	TIC training, safety plans posted for individual kids
Does training include Trauma Informed Care (TIC)	Yes
Human Trafficking	Yes

#### Records/ Special Issues/ Policies:

Where are records kept	Residential files kept in administrative offices; mental health files kept in mental health office
Special Incident Reports (SIR) in the past year	15-20/week, including AWOL. Claim the reason for so many is that they over-report and over-document.
How was it handled	Handling was individual to resident and situation

How are AWOLs handled	Loss of privs, loss of earned community passes, etc. Safety check on return. Out past 11:00, police are involved.
Describe the Disciplinary Policy	Verbal redirect Loss of privs Loss of recreational Wi-Fi (via data plan) Up to Police involvement
Cell Phone Policy	Able to have cell phone, can lose recreational Wi-Fi keep educational Wi-Fi

## **Medical Issues:**

How are medical issues	(hospitals & facilities posted in office)
and/or emergencies handled	Med services offered for minor (most incidents are minor – scrapes, etc.)
	Emergency transport (they have consent to treat for all residents)

How is medication stored and administered	Lock box inside locked cabinet inside locked office  Administered by office administrator (backed up by facilities administrator) with posted schedule.
Access to:	Admin staff are only ones with access

## Programs:

Type of Program	When or How Often	Notes
Mental Health Services	Daily – Kevin, Rehab specialist	
Religious Services	Offered weekly	Nobody attends
Drug and Alcohol Classes	Miss Susan Pennington LCSW	
Parenting Classes	Not offered	
Trauma Informed Care	Staff training – ongoing	
Human Trafficking	Staff training – ongoing; also given to residents	
Recreation and Physical Activities	Constant – teenage boys	
Other Therapy Provided	In-school therapy, monthly psychiatric	

## **Community Involvement:**

Volunteer Opportunities	none
-------------------------	------

## **Education:**

Describe how and where youth are educated.	Some homeshool – Come Back Kids – kids transported to facilities 1/week Options for Youth (located in San Bernadino) – transported to facilities 2/week
(Include transportation, relationship with off-site schools, Title 1 tutors, and homework routine.)	2 students in La Sierra HS 1 resident not in school. On Autism spectrum. Schools refused because of violence. Has escort/assistant.

Who holds educational rights or attends meetings	One (18 yo) holds his own others – relatives hold educational rights
Is career planning, job training or college preparation offered	Some Transitional Learning Plan Most done through schools

## **Posted Documents Required:**

Facility License	Posted
Personal Community Care Licensing (CCL) Rights	Posted
Activity Schedule	Posted
Universal Precautions Procedure	Posted
First Aid Supplies	Posted – various locations
Emergency Disaster Plan	Posted – emergency evacuation posted everywhere

#### **Interior:**

	Kitchen	Notes
<b>√</b>	Cleanliness	Quite clean
<b>√</b>	Appliances	Appropriate and quite clean
<b>√</b>	Menus posted	Posted
<b>V</b>	Knives locked	Locked
<b>√</b>	Food stored properly	Appropriate storage
<b>V</b>	Chemicals stored properly	Locked
<b>V</b>	Quantity - 1 week supply	At least
<b>V</b>	Fresh fruits/ vegetables	Yes
<b>V</b>	Special Diet provisions	If needed
<b>√</b>	Fire Extinguisher	Several – all are in office because of resident tampering. Need to have tamper-proof placements.
	Door access	Admin door is likely out of compliance. It required some contortion to open as it had a large block on it.
	Bathrooms	Notes
<b>V</b>	Cleanliness	spotless
<b>√</b>	Smell	NONE
<b>√</b>	Mold/ Mildew	None
<b>√</b>	Any safety hazards	none

	Bedrooms	Notes
<b>V</b>	Cleanliness	As clean as any teenage boy's room ever is
<b>V</b>	Personal space	Yes
<b>V</b>	Age appropriate decor	Yes
<b>V</b>	Fire/Smoke alarms	Every room
<b>V</b>	Any safety hazards	No
	Common Areas	Notes
<b>V</b>	Cleanliness	Yes – literally no "teenage boy aroma"
<b>√</b>	Homelike setting	Fairly
<b>√</b>	Fire/ Smoke alarms	Every room
<b>√</b>	Any safety hazards	None

#### **Exterior:**

	Overall	Notes
<b>√</b>	Satisfactory appearance	Good. Gutters could use work, but everything looks decent.
<b>√</b>	Play areas/ clear space	Good
<b>V</b>	Windows	In good condition
<b>√</b>	Any safety hazards	No

#### **Questions for the Youth:**

(Assume quotation marks)

Three (3) youth were interviewed. One declined to go on the record.

1	How old are you	Jaden Delpilar – 17
2	What school do you attend	No school
3	What do you like about this home	Good place, Calm
4	What would you change about this home	Food
5	Do you have bedding, hygiene supplies, drawer and closet space	Yes
6	Do you have clothes and shoes that fit	Yes, monthly allowance saved for shoes
7	Where do you keep your private property	Folded up in dresser drawers
8	What are the phone call rules	Hour at a time house phone, cell when wifi turned on

9	Do you have visitors	Yes
10	Do you feel supported at this home	NA
11	How long have you been here	2 months
12	Have you been in other group homes	Yes, 1
13	Can you explain the rules, responsibilities and grievance procedure	No
14	How quickly do staff and/or county social workers respond to needs	Staff – quickly Social workers - NA
15	What do you do on Sundays	Go to Grandma's

#### Youth #2

How old are you	No name give - 17
What school do you attend	No school, aging out to live with grandparents in a month
What do you like about this home	He felt that they took the time to understand him and that it had become a comfortable, calm place for him
What would you change about this home	Contact with other kids at this home was sometimes a problem, had issues interacting with any female staff
Do you have bedding, hygiene supplies, drawer and closet space	Yes
Do you have clothes and shoes that fit	Yes, monthly clothing allowance was adequate
Where do you keep your private property	In closet and dresser drawers
What are the phone call rules	Hour on the house phone. Rules for cells are unlimited except when kids act up and then wifi and access to cell calls are off.
Do you have visitors	Yes
Do you feel supported at this home	NA
How long have you been here	6 months
Have you been in other group homes	Yes
Can you explain the rules, responsibilities and grievance procedure	No
How quickly do staff and/or county social workers respond to needs	Didn't really respond when asked. I felt the social worker question was off-putting to him.
What do you do on Sundays	Normally at Grandma's
	What school do you attend What do you like about this home What would you change about this home Do you have bedding, hygiene supplies, drawer and closet space Do you have clothes and shoes that fit Where do you keep your private property What are the phone call rules Do you have visitors Do you feel supported at this home How long have you been here Have you been in other group homes Can you explain the rules, responsibilities and grievance procedure How quickly do staff and/or county social workers respond to needs

# **Evaluate overall quality of facility:**

On the surface, the facility looks good. Staff seemed competent, although under quite a bit of pressure especially when the owner showed up. I have nothing specific to note.

## IF CORRECTIVE ACTION IS REQUIRED, PLEASE PHOTOGRAPH THE ITEMS TO BE CITED

#### **Corrective Action Notification?**

#### List Items to be included in Corrective Action Notification letter:

1	
2	
Have you completed the new requirements for accre	editation pursuant to AB403?
Through 2024	
If not, what is the estimated time of completion? N/A	4
1	
nspection respectfully conducted by;	
nspection respectfully conducted by:	2-10-2023
Commission Chair Inspector	レ-10-20レ <b>)</b> Date
Commission Chair/ Inspector	

cc:

Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Superior Court Chief Probation Officer

Community Care Licensing Director of Group Home

Commissioner / Inspector

Director of Behavioral Health Chairman of the Board of Supervisors County Executive Officer Office of Education Executive Director

Date