

County of Riverside
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission (JJJPC)
INSPECTION REPORT - JUVENILE FACILITY
2023

Facility Name and Address	AMC YTEC: Pathways to Success
Date of Inspection	11/7/2023
Phone	351 358 4200
Contact Person and Title	Rachel Ligtenberg, Director AMC YTEC
JJPC Inspectors	Paul Parker & Laurel Cook

Staff Interviewed

	Name	Title	Agency
1.	Rachel Ligtenberg	Director, AMC YTEC	Riv. Co. Prob. Dept.
2.	Veronica Soto	Asst. Director, PTS	Riv. Co. Prob. Dept.
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Inspection Concerns/ Recommendations

On 10/10/2023, the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) conducted their inspections of the detention and treatment facilities in Riverside County. As a result, the Commission conducted a 'focus' inspection addressing Policy 948, Use of Force, and Policy 962, Programs, Recreation and Exercise, pursuant Title 15.

Agency Inspections

Agency	Date of Last Inspection	Comments/ Concerns
JJDPC	12/23/22	
Building & Safety	10/10/23	
Health	10/10/23	
Court	pending	
RCOE	8/4/23	Note: Inspections recently conducted are pending
BSCC	pending	Reports.
Behavioral Health	10/10/23	
Fire Marshall	8/8/23	

S – Satisfactory

N.I. – Needs Improvement

	S	N.I.	Comments
Building Exterior	x		There are plans to expand and add a building on the property, to provide an educational, vocational, and recreational area for residents.
Building Interior	x/		
Field(s)	x		
Courtyard(s)			Did not observe
Unit: Delta			Male
Common Area	X		
Rooms/ cells	X		Random observation
Restrooms>Showers	X		
Other			
Unit: Sigma			Male
Common Area	x		
Rooms/ cells	x		Random observation
Restrooms>Showers	x		
Other			
Unit: Omega			Female
Common Area	x		
Rooms/ cells	x		Random observation
Restrooms>Showers	x		

Other			The Omega, girl's unit also is the area which houses residents in the treatment AMC YTEC program and at times has also provided housing for detained residents who were going through the court process. It was noted that those residents have been transferred to Southwest Detention Center pending further hearings.
NOTE:			Commissioners were escorted to another area where residents (3) who do not feel safe when programming with other residents receive programming opportunities away from the other residents. Before this area was made available, those residents remained in their room on Self Placed Segregation. This is not a living unit, rather a temporary area for programming.

Additional Information

A review of the activity calendar and programs indicates programs are available to the youth as well as, unstructured time. Programs available: Substance Abuse, Healthy Families, Pro Social Peer and Social Networking, Life Skills, MRT, Reentry Prerelease, Educational, Incentive, Recreational, Art and Religious. It was noticed that Healthy Relationships, Chapman Program, Real Men Read and the Change Model were presented on a regular basis and there appears to be an effort to vet credible messengers to assist/expand programing opportunities, i.e., substance abuse.

It was also noted that there is an opportunity for residents to enroll and participate in college classes for those who wish to continue their education, beyond high school.

Staff provided the "NEXT STEPS 2023-2024 which identified areas for growth and partnership/collaboration which will include "program validation and outcome metrics Strength-based assessment tool and additional assessments to evaluate effects of long-term commitment." Also in this list is an item to enhance parenting resources and support. It appears the Pathways To Success programs provided to residents include a variety of programs to enhance a successful reentry into the community.

We wish to thank the Managers and Staff for their assistance with our inspection.

Respectfully submitted by the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Commission (JJJPC).



Laurel Cook- Commissioner / Inspector

_____01/22/24_____
Date



Paul Parker - Commissioner / Inspector

_____01/22/24_____
Date



Christopher Collopy - JJDPC Chair

_____01/22/24_____
Date

cc: Juvenile Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
Chief Probation Officer
Chief Deputy Probation Officer of Institutions
Division Director of Facility
Board of State & Community Corrections (BSCC)

Chairman of the Board of Supervisors
County Executive Officer
Director of Behavioral Health Services (RUHS)
Office of Education Executive Director

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