

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

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| Facility Name and Address | Southwest Juvenile Hall 30755-C Auld Road, Murrieta, CA 92563 |
| Date of Inspection | 11-2-2023 |
| Phone | |
| Contact Person and Title | Cathy Piech |
| JJDPC Inspectors | Parker/Collopy |

Staff Interviewed

| | Name | Title | Agency |
|----|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. | Daniel Castaneda | Division Director | Probation |
| 2. | Lori Wilson | Assistant Director | Probation |
| 3. | Darnell Southall | LCSW | Behavioral Health |
| 4. | | | |
| 5. | | | |

Inspection Concerns/ Recommendations

Staff recruitment and retention, through Covid, have created significant issues requiring increased overtime from existing staff Probation leadership actively looking at means to increase recruitment and retention.

Current staff shortage -33

Director Castaneda and his management team run an exemplary institution. Youth and staff interviews were conducted, and all indicated a strong level of satisfaction with institutional programs and services.

Agency Inspections

| Agency | Date of Last Inspection | Comments/ Concerns |
|-------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| JJDPC | 5/11/2022 | On file/reviewed |
| Building & Safety | Current | On file/reviewed |
| Health | Current | On file/reviewed |
| Court | Current | On file/reviewed |
| RCOE | Current | On file/reviewed |
| BSCC | Current | On file/reviewed |
| Behavioral Health | Current | On file/reviewed |
| Fire Marshall | Current | On file/reviewed |

S – Satisfactory

N.I. – Needs Improvement

| | S | N.I. | Comments |
|-------------------|---|------|------------------------------------|
| Building Exterior | X | | |
| Building Interior | X | | |
| Field(s) | X | | |
| Courtyard(s) | X | | |
| Units: All | | | UNITS/ Living Areas |
| Common Area | X | | Neat and organized. |
| Rooms/ cells | X | | Well maintained. Neat and orderly. |
| Restrooms/Showers | X | | Clean and free of mildew/mold |
| Other | | | |
| Unit: | | | |
| Common Area | X | | As noted |
| Rooms/ cells | X | | As noted |
| Restrooms/Showers | X | | As noted |
| Other | | | |
| Unit: | | | |
| Common Area | | | |

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| Rooms/ cells | | | |
| Restrooms/Showers | | | |
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| Other | | | |
| Unit: | | | |
| Common Area | | | |
| Rooms/ cells | | | |
| Restrooms/Showers | | | |
| Other | | | |

Additional Information

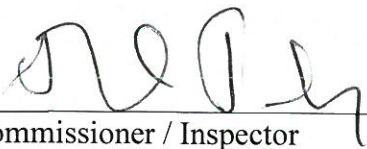
Director Castaneda and his leadership staff are to be commended for the outstanding institution they run. The challenges brought on by Covid created significant impediments for the institution for which they have created workarounds and implemented programs including significant overtime to ensure that units were fully covered with trained staff at all times.

Youth interviews, though not required with this interim year inspection, were conducted informally and yielded similar findings.

Our appreciation and plaudits go out to the men and women of SWJH for their dedication and commitment to the youth in their care.

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).



Commissioner / Inspector

7-11-24

Date

Commissioner / Inspector

JJPC Chair

Date

7-12-2024

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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