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ALAN M. CROGAN YOUTH TREATMENT AND EDUCATION CENTER

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On April 30, 2015, Riverside County First District Supervisor Kevin Jeffries and the Economic Development Agency held a ground breaking celebration for the Alan M. Crogan Youth Treatment and Education Center (YTEC). Alan M. Crogan addressed the attendees and emphasized the need for tailored intervention within the juvenile delinquent population. According to Crogan, the decision to create the YTEC facility was “not a labor of love, but a labor of necessity.” The future state of the art facility was named in honor of the former Riverside County Chief Probation Officer whose foresight and tenacity resulted in the Riverside County Probation Department receiving \$24.7 million dollars in state funding. This funding was designed to address the repercussions of Juvenile Justice Realignment which occurred years before Assembly Bill 109, Public Safety Realignment. In 2007, state policy-makers acted to reduce the number of youthful offenders housed in state facilities by enacting realignment legislation which shifted responsibility to the counties for all but the most serious offenders. Crogan understood the value and need to create a therapeutic facility within a secure environment which would provide detained youth from Riverside County with mental health treatment, educational opportunities and reintegration services. Once complete, the 106-bed YTEC facility will provide secure, in-custody, mental health treatment, health care, education, transitional living and re-entry/re-integration services to youth. The project is scheduled for completion in late spring 2016.

