



**STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL
ON JUVENILE JUSTICE**

2023 ANNUAL REPORT

SACJJ Annual Report

Mission

The mission of the State Advisory Council on Juvenile Justice is to provide vision, training, and support for a model juvenile justice system in Wyoming.

Goal

To improve the coordination and effectiveness of statewide and local delinquency prevention, juvenile justice, and youth services programs.

Vision

A Wyoming where children and families will receive education, care, and support to become responsible, successful citizens.

Objectives

Develop prioritized recommendations concerning juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and juvenile services to be reviewed annually.

To coordinate the implementation of the recommendations.

To provide for the distribution of available funds for delinquency prevention, juvenile justice, and youth services.

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December 30, 2023

Dear Governor Gordon, Members of the Wyoming State Legislature, and Wyoming residents:

On behalf of the State Advisory Council on Juvenile Justice, I present to you our 2023 Annual Report.

This past year we were able to travel to communities across the state. Meeting with stakeholders and community providers remains a highlight of the Council's work.

From our small communities to the larger ones, common themes continue to emerge. The first is that there are many individuals and agencies across this State that work tirelessly for the youth of Wyoming and their commitment shines through in their presentations. Second, the needs of our youth continue to increase. Communities are doing their best with limited resources, but it is not enough.

We ask that juvenile justice be a priority of our State; one that is adequately funded. The time is now to invest our financial resources into prevention and community-based services.

We remain committed to the youth of our State and look forward to continuing efforts to improve the system. Thank you for taking the time to review our report and our recommendations.

Respectfully,

Logan Christie

Logan Christie, Chair

Wyoming State Advisory Council on Juvenile Justice

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SACJJ Coordinator: Brandon Schimelpfenig

MEMBERS		
Name	District/City	Expiration
Abbey Kercher	1-Cheyenne	8/31/2024
Adrienne Freng	2-Laramie	8/31/2026
Alan Stuber	6-Gillette	3/01/2026
Alexandra Bammel	2-Laramie (Youth)	8/31/2026
Brittany Cangialosi	2-Larmie (Youth)	8/31/2025
Chris Jones	4- Sheridan (Wyoming Girl's School)	03/01/2026
Dakota Jackson	6-Gillette (Youth)	8/31/2024
Dale Weber	5- Worland (Wyoming Boy's School)	8/31/2026
Damon DeBernardi	9-Pinedale	8/31/2024
Dylan Pierce	8-Glenrock (Youth)	8/31/2026
Erica Wood	6-Gillette (Vice Chair)	8/31/2024
Erika Sanchez	7-Casper	8/31/2026
Jennifer Palser	4-Sheridan	8/31/2024
Kassidy Thomas	2-Laramie (Youth)	8/31/2026
Lila Konecky	2-Laramie (Youth)	8/31/2025
Logan Christie	5-Cody (Chair)	8/31/2024
Melinda Cox	9-Lander	8/31/2024
Narina Nunez	2-Laramie	8/31/2024
Nicole Hauser	2-Laramie	8/31/2024
Patricia O'Brien	3- Green River	3/01/2026
Ronald Howard	9-Riverton	8/31/2024
Ruth Ogden	2-Laramie (Youth)	8/31/2025
Stacy Becker	1-Cheyenne	8/31/2025
Stacy Nelson	7-Casper	8/31/2024

Ex-Officio Members	
Name	Represents
Salli Perryman	Dept. of Health
Christina McCabe	Attorney General's Office
Dustin Brown	Dept. of Education
Jen Davis	Governor's Office
Shawn Sitzman	Attorney General's Office: Div of Victim Services
Maureen Clifton	WY Interstate Compact for Juveniles - Commissioner
Hon. James "Mike" Causey	WY Judicial Branch - Interstate Compact for Juveniles
Senator Lynn Hutchings	WY State Legislature - Interstate Compact for Juveniles
Representative Rachel Rodriguez-Williams	WY State Legislature - Interstate Compact for Juveniles

2023 SACJJ Activities

January 2023

- Meeting location – Cheyenne, WY
- Elections were held and the following members were elected/or retained roles: Damon DeBernardi - Chair, Erica Wood - Vice-Chair, Nicole Hauser, Abbey Kercher and Melinda Cox - At-Large members of the Executive Committee. The SACJJ learned of the HB009 Juvenile Courts-Concurrent Jurisdiction Clarification that was introduced to the Legislature as well as SF 00094 Federal Indian Child Welfare Act Task Force. Department of Family Services (DFS) discussed their Federal Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) set for the end of the year. The Data Committee worked on collection of information pertaining to the Juvenile Risk Detention Assessment Tool in collaboration from counties all over the State of Wyoming. There was a CJSB (Community Juvenile Services Board) Reform Brief document disseminated to the CJSB's and SACJJ from DFS. The idea was proposed that SACJJ learn and partner with other State Advisory Councils pertaining to juvenile justice. There was emphasis for communities that have CJSB's making efforts toward preventative services of WY Home Matters Initiative. Other topics of discussion included but were not limited to: CJSB Reform, Juvenile Risk Assessment and CJSB Funding. The SACJJ heard an update from the Governor's office and a Budget Report update.
- Community Participation: The SACJJ heard from Laramie County Department of Family Services (DFS) and the Laramie County Community Juvenile Services Joint Powers Board. Learned the levels of intakes are starting to return to pre-pandemic levels with increased filing numbers, with an increase in CHINS filings. A barrier in Laramie County was struggling with being able to provide mental health services for juveniles within the community, and retain staff in this field of work. They shared they are missing a group home. It was shared Laramie County has focused on family- team meetings.

April 2023

- Meeting location – Douglas, WY
- The SACJJ needed to determine a new Chair, as Damon DeBenardi was unable to retain this position according to government rule in SACJJ bi-laws and his change in his position to the Sublette County Attorney's Office. A new chair was elected and that being Logan Christie. During this meeting the individual committees were tasked with reviewing their Strategic Plan objectives and begin planning for 2024. An Order WRCrP-33.1, often referred to as the 14 Day Ruling was discussed and it is perceived as negatively

impacting the processing of citations and charges in communities. This rule essentially states that all citations issued must be filed within 14 days of issuance, and if this does not occur then the citations shall be dismissed. Further assessments will need to be determined in each community how/if this ruling is impacting their communities. The topic of adding national juvenile justice topics to the meeting was agreed upon. Membership requirements were revisited. DFS shared that the CJSB Reform efforts are gaining traction. Platte County has submitted an application to be considered for CJSB agreements. In collaboration with WASCOP, SACJJ Data Committee created a spreadsheet that will be used to start collecting information to determine if the JDRA is a beneficial tool to law enforcement. A new member orientation was held for new members. Jennifer Palser was chosen as the new chair for the Best Practices Committee. New Recruitment fliers were completed and presented to the SACJJ for selection. DFS presented an update of the CFSR and the efforts toward this project. DFS also provided information on the Case Management System known as WYOSAFE and where they were in the implementation of this process. Discussion was held to see how the implementation of the new WYOSAFE and data collection applies to SACJJ 2023 Annual Report recommendations. The recommendations were as follows: Community Juvenile Services Boards (CJSB) funding being restored by the Wyoming Legislature, juvenile justice to continue to be a topic with the Joint Judiciary interim committee with the Wyoming Legislature, data collection within the juvenile justice system in Wyoming, Wyoming to maintain its non-participation status with the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) within the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), and funding for mental health services in all counties. The SACJJ heard an update from the Governor's office and a Budget Report update.

- Community Participation: Converse County DFS and Converse County Attorney: Charges in this community consist of ongoing substance related issues, concerns appearing at a much younger age, and some firearm related charges.
- Community Highlights: Community Representative Tomi Strock was present and communities' entities were able to provide information on charges within their community.

June 2023

- Meeting location – Rock Springs, WY
- SACJJ's strategic plan was reviewed for 2023. Jennifer Palser resigned as the Chair position of the Best Practices committee, and in Jennifer's time as Chairperson, this committee had started a repository of information. Later in

the meeting Alan Stuber was determined to be the new chair of the Best Practices Committee. In prior years the Grants Committee would have reviewed the Non-Participating State (NPS) from ODJJP. Given this has not been an award available since the Volunteers of America (VOA) were former recipients of the award it was discussed should it become available in the future if there were interest parties to pursue the dollars. It was shared that if it did become available again it was beneficial to youth in the community and that the SACJJ would support it being applied for in the future. The Wyoming Survey and Analysis Center (WYSAC) had planning on applying for the solicitation for the NPS grant once it had been released. The Grant Committee shared they would continue to collaborate and review the conditions of this award if/when it became available. Wyoming Statute § 14-10-101 was reviewed and compared to the membership in the Council and it was determined that SACJJ is still meeting the statutory requirements under this Statute. The 14 day ruling was briefly discussed. A contact list was being drafted for other Wyoming State Councils. WYSAC shared they are moving forward with partnering with CJSB's and executing agreements to they can share juvenile justice data. An article was shared pertaining to national news of mentioning how systems in some states push juveniles into institutions where they face higher rates of abuse. Another article mentioned fees and fines may push at-risk youth deeper into the system due to their inability to pay. The Federal Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) court decision was drafted. DFS has been seeing more and more juveniles that were in the juvenile justice system rolling into the adult protective services area. The SACJJ heard an update from the Governor's office and a Budget Report update.

- Community Participation: Sweetwater DFS, Sweetwater Juvenile Probation, and Sweetwater CJSB, Sweetwater County Attorney. Substance use is the largest offense in their community. A struggle in their community is providing services to adolescents who are charged with sex offenses, and families are having to travel to other States such as Utah to get services. It was supported by the Sweetwater County Attorney substance related offenses is their larger offense category. Although, the numbers have not rose to the levels of 2019, the numbers are increasing.
- Community Highlights: The community collaboration and integral data from this community is a strength. Sweetwater has a pre-Court Diversion program.

September 2023

- Meeting location – Jackson, WY
- Topics that were discussed include 2023 Annual Report Recommendations and create 2024 Strategic Plan objectives. Discussion ensued to amend the SACJJ Statute §14-10-101. A 14-Day Filing document was determined to be

created to reflect efforts made by SACJJ to reach out to community stakeholders in juvenile justice and how this decision is impacting the operations. A presentation was provided by the Wyoming Council Department of Workforce Services (DWS) to the SACJJ. It was shared there are several programs that youth are eligible for. There was discussion if the DWS could collaborate with local CJSB's in the existing communities that are shared. There was a new federal contact for the Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency (ODJJP). There was noted concerns of juveniles that have behaviors that at times make it harder to find local placement options for juvenile. Council membership was appointed to meet the government and non-government ratio within the requirements of SACJJ. An update was provide that CJSB contracts had been executed except Laramie County. There was a meeting being arranged with the new Wyoming Sheriff's and Chiefs of Police (WASCOP) Director for future reform efforts. Other areas CJSB Reform Discussion, and Juvenile Assessment for CJSB Funding. The SACJJ heard an update from the Governor's office and a Budget Report/Grant update. Additional discussion occurred involving the Budget and Interstate Compact for Juveniles (ICJ). Committee updates occurred, and a presentation was being created for the New Member Orientation by the Youth/Outreach Committee. The Legislative Committee discussed starting the process of amending Wyoming State Statute §14-10-101. Other bill areas that were discussed were the current legislative discussions of Delta-8 Tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) a controlled substance and consent to tobacco cessation programs. DFS shared a recent third-party study on providing rates for DFS placements, although not 100% participation, DFS still was able to get provider rates for preliminary analysis. Reemphasis on efforts involving application of the Indian Child Welfare (ICWA) and CSFR.)

- Community Participation: Teton County DFS, Teton Youth and Family Services, Teton County CJSB, and Teton County Attorney's Office.

A tour was held for community and SACJJ members to see the new construction project of the Teton Youth and Family Services in Jackson, WY. Teton County has many services. One is the Van Vleck House who offers crisis shelter as well as group home services, Red Top Meadows as well as the Hirschfield Center for Children. The Hirschfield Center offers forensic interviews of children who DFS has suspected the child has been a victim of abuse. This same center also offers a Court Diversion Program and proactive intervention services for families at risk of child abuse or neglect. Teton Family Juvenile Services CJSB supports Camp P.O.S.T.C.A.R.D. This camp works toward increasing positive relationships with law enforcement.

- Community Highlights: Jackson, WY has community mental health center, as well as adolescent substance abuse providers and sex offender treatment programs in the areas that aren't available in other parts of the state.

Extensive collaboration within agencies is important and this includes Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) participation. Teton County Attorney shared there is a six-month review for juveniles in out of home placements. One area that was discussed was the efforts seemed to be made by Teton's County's willingness to change for juvenile's need as opposed to the juvenile needing to conform to fit the program that is offered.

November 2023

- Meeting location – Casper, WY
- The SACJJ reviewed the plan for gaining information for the 14 day requirement. Further discussion occurred to determine new 2023 SACJJ recommendations. Areas that SACJJ found necessary as continued Priority areas were: Continued funding for mental health access for children, further discussion involving JDRA processes, and shortages in staffing and work shortages are deeply impacting communities. Continued collaborative efforts in communities will be vital to work together for solutions. It was discussed further examination of why communities are struggling with rebounding and collection of data for the State stakeholders. Other topics discussed were the CJSB programs and their status toward identifying data collection contracts with ReRoute with WYSAC or other alternatives for data sharing, and possible barriers around that. The Governor's office shared the efforts that are in place with the Governor's Mental Health Initiative, including summits and other information, and 988 and new features involving this hotline. SACJJ learned of the Town Hall meetings that are being held from the Governor's Office. Other areas that were discussed were that *Post-vention* that was shared is Gillette's beginning a Pilot Program for Mental Health Program.
- Community Participation: Natrona County DFS, Natrona County CJSB
A tour was held at the local Natrona County Juvenile Detention Center for SACJJ members. Natrona presenters shared caseloads are up, placements have increased, higher levels of care are necessary. There has been an increased level of felony level offenses and they have been impacted from the loss of dollars as a community. The desire to keep students engaged around truancy issues and expulsions is a large effort in this community. Mercer House provides a variety of services to families. Natrona County has an inpatient facility WBI in their community. Concerning trends that were shared were juveniles with weapon related offenses, gang related activity, rates of females offending is increasing, and the lack of mental health providers/placement/resources.
- Community Highlights: Natrona County explores as many funding alternatives as possible. They have a Family Resource Center. Natrona County has a wide range continuum of care: Pre-Court programming, Youth Diversion,

Community Service, Big Brothers Big Sister Program, Youth Crisis Center, WBI and telehealth services, Pre-CHINS and the Mercer Family Resource Center. Natrona County is collecting data in Juvenile Justice.

2023 SACJJ Recommendations

Based on community feedback, and statewide visits, the State Advisory Council on Juvenile Justice has developed the following recommendations:

- **Funding for mental health access.** Every community visited shared the barriers they experience regarding access to care. Communities shared the level and need for care of juveniles is increasing and the availability of services is insufficient. Juveniles that require placement has posed an extreme challenge in Wyoming. The limited amount of known refunded provider costs, limited placement options, lack of programming, and vastness of locations for these alternatives are all a concern. It may be prudent to determine better means of access for persons requiring the continuum of care.
- **Staffing and Workforce shortages.** SACJJ has partnered with other Wyoming Councils such as the Workforce Council in efforts to learn areas that have staffing issues and are impacting juveniles in communities. Both DFS and the Cathedral Home are experiencing staff shortages, as well as local communities.
- **Funding to Community Juvenile Services Boards needs to be continued.** These monies provide valuable services in communities that allow for them to meet the needs of juveniles within their own areas, providing for a continuum of care that is local.
- **Juvenile Justice should remain a topic for the Joint Judiciary Committee.** Juvenile justice issues and reform should be a priority for the state. Investing in effective juvenile justice systems not only safeguards the well-being of young individuals but also fosters safer communities by addressing root causes of delinquency and providing opportunities for positive behavioral change.
- **Data collection within the juvenile justice system.** The Wyoming Statute 14-6-606 to collect juvenile justice data was passed by the legislature in 2021. The SACJJ, continues to collaborate with DFS, CJSBs, WYSAC (Wyoming Survey and Analysis Center), and other stakeholders working on a data collection system, developing ReRoute as a bridge to a permanent system. Those efforts need to be continued to be supported by the Governor's Office and the Legislature. Many communities are rebounding and working toward becoming re-established in many areas including programming and data collection. These efforts need to be expanded to prevention and juvenile justice involvement efforts, as well as treatment interventions. Although data collection must be a priority, there are no incentives for communities to attempt to collect and submit data. DFS, WYSAC and Community stakeholders along with SACJJ are working to

create a cohesive and collaborative data collection system.

- **Wyoming remains a non-participating state with OJJDP.** With VOA of the Northern Rockies no longer managing those funds for the state, it is critical that another agency is identified to ensure our communities receive that funding resource. To date, WYSAC has completed an application for applying for funding and should be supported in their efforts to seek community engagement. The SACJJ strives to work as a grant steward for distribution of funds with the awardee. Helping communities meet the standards of the OJJDP as effective juvenile justice is a continued goal of the SACJJ.
- **Collaboration of advisory groups.** To ensure maximum understanding and access to state resources, we recommend that on an annual basis executive committees of all state advisory groups meet to share information and resources.

SACJJ Strategic Plan 2023-2025

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>Starting with the January 2024 meeting, SACJJ will continue and review community stakeholder involvement at the full SACJJ meetings. This will be measured by attendance taken at meetings (number of participants, number of different entities present). Goal Deadline: On-going</p>
<p>ACTION</p>	<p>SACJJ will continue to develop and implement an approved plan to improve community stakeholder involvement at full SACJJ meetings focusing on increasing both the number of participants in attendance and the different types of entities in attendance. The implementation of this plan includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Serving as a conduit to the governor’s office, the SACJJ will schedule a public comment period at all of its public meetings in order to understand and be able to share with the governor’s office the concerns of communities. ❖ The SACJJ Executive Committee will appoint an Executive Committee Outreach person who will develop a list of potential stakeholders and invitees. These could include, but are not limited to: community college representatives, local high school students, local Community Juveniles Services Boards, DFS local offices, county attorneys, judges and other stakeholders. This list of invitees will be included within the plan for improved community involvement and be followed each meeting when putting together the invitation list. This list will be merged as appropriate with the current list of invitees held by the DFS coordinator. The SACJJ Executive Committee will continue to focus on necessary membership to meet statute requirements. ❖ The SACJJ Executive Committee Outreach Person will, one month before the quarterly meeting, determine who to invite and send invitations to those individuals. The SACJJ Executive Committee in collaboration with the Youth/Outreach Committee will create a script to utilize when inviting these presenters. ❖ Personal invitations will be sent to any state and local elected officials by the SACJJ Executive Committee Outreach Person and/or designee.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>Starting with the January 2024 meeting, SACJJ will work to identify 4-5 priorities regarding the juvenile justice system and develop recommendations and proposals to present to the Governor’s office. Goal Deadline: On-going</p>
<p>ACTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ At every other SACJJ meeting, a priority regarding the juvenile justice system will be discussed. The executive committee will then develop a proposal by the next SACJJ meeting with recommendations to share with the governor’s office and to be included in the annual report.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>In collaboration with the Legislative Committee, the Executive Committee will review the current statute governing the SACJJ. Goal Deadline: June and November 2024, as well as June 2025 SACJJ meetings.</p>

<p>ACTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ By the June 2024 SACJJ meeting, the SACJJ legislative committee, in collaboration with the Executive Committee, will review the SACJJ authorizing statutes and write a report to be given to the full Council detailing any recommended changes to the statutes. ❖ By the November 2024 SACJJ meeting, the SACJJ will have amended the report written by the SACJJ Legislative Committee to include any changes/recommendations and will provide that report to the governor, state agency stakeholders and, if approved by the governor, the Joint Judiciary Interim Committee. ❖ By September 2024, continue to explore ways to leverage our statutory role to be involved in top-level discussions regarding juvenile justice issues in the state.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>In collaboration with the other committees, create a repository of information for the counties on the SACJJ website. Goal Deadline: Initiate in 2023 and then on-going.</p>
<p>ACTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ By the June 2024 SACJJ meeting, if not sooner, collaborate with the Grants Committee to provide a repository of information regarding grant and other funding opportunities to the website. ❖ By the September 2024 SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Best Practices Committee to provide a repository of programming best practices, as well as definitions to the website. ❖ By the June 2024 SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Data Committee to provide access to the ReRoute and Juvenile Justice Data through the website and or Department of Family Services (DFS). ❖ By the September 2024 SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Outreach Committee to develop and make available a yearly newsletter. ❖ By the November 2024 SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Legislative Committee to provide links to possible legislative developments regarding juvenile justice.
<p>LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE</p>	
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>Provide to the SACJJ continued reports on any relevant state and federal legislative developments regarding juvenile justice. Goal Deadline: On-going</p>

<p>ACTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Monthly, the committee will identify and track any legislation regarding juvenile justice. They will distinguish any legislation that requires comment and develop recommendations to provide to the governor using the approved process. ❖ As part of identifying and tracking legislation, the committee will identify individuals to attend relevant Joint Judiciary committee meetings. ❖ Provide information on federal legislation, as well as the possible impacts on the state’s juvenile justice systems to counties. ❖ When the opportunity exists and with the direction of the governor, provide comment on federal legislation as it relates to juvenile justice. ❖ Identify state statutes regarding juvenile justice that might benefit from review. In collaboration with the Executive Committee, provide recommendations to the Governor for possible changes.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>Review and provide recommendations to the SACJJ regarding the Council’s by-laws on a yearly basis. Goal Deadline: September SACJJ meeting</p>
<p>ACTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ On a yearly basis, the legislative committee will provide a report to the SACJJ that outlines the review process and any recommendations for changes or additions to the SACJJ bylaws. This report will be presented annually at the September SACJJ meeting.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>In collaboration with the Executive Committee, create a repository of information for the counties on the SACJJ website. Goal Deadline: Initiate in 2024 and then on-going.</p>
<p>ACTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ By the November 2024 SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Legislative Committee to provide links to possible legislative developments regarding juvenile justice.
<p>OUTREACH/YOUTH COMMITTEE</p>	
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>The Outreach and Youth Committees, in collaboration with the Executive Committee, will develop a proposal that identifies different actions to increase youth and/or overall Council membership.</p> <p>Goal Deadline: Initiate January 2024 SACJJ Meeting, and ongoing thereafter as necessary.</p>
<p>ACTIONS</p>	<p>The Outreach and Youth Committees will continue to review and revise the list identifying existing youth organizations/clubs/groups, youth councils to create a repository for counties to access. These could entail current partnerships, but not limited to, such as the Wyoming Boys School or Wyoming Girls School or create new relationships when it may be appropriate outlets for recruitment of youth members to the SACJJ. These committees will also explore ways that youth in the communities could better inform the SACJJ about the youth perspective.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Youth Committee will explore alternatives for recruitment and promote interest to increase membership such as providing what is required to

	<p>become/remain a member, economic realities of student members, defining roles and responsibilities, and benefits to being on the council. Take SACJJ approved materials and identify means of disbursement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Youth Committee, together with the Outreach Committee, will support the Executive and other Committees on the Council with providing training for Committee areas as information becomes available to youth/or other community members interested in the Council. ❖ Together with the Executive Committee, the Outreach and Youth Committees will develop a plan, with ideas to present to all SACJJ members for input at the December 2024 SACJJ Meeting. ❖ Create a member orientation packet for new members joining SACJJ. ❖ Seek out members that fulfill the diverse group for required members for the Council when certain roles become open/available.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>The Outreach Committee will collect information that community stakeholders have expressed as being beneficial or barriers in juvenile justice across the state and assist in dispersing this information to other community stakeholders around the state.</p> <p>Goal Deadline: September 2025 SACJJ meeting</p>
<p>ACTIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Identify areas of success and areas for growth communicated by communities and provide information and training opportunities for other communities to gain the same information. ❖ The guidelines will outline a process by which to disseminate information to community stakeholders. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Additional suggestions for consideration: ○ Social Media ○ Yearly meetings with CJSB's and perhaps others ○ Monthly email updates ○ Meet with community stakeholders before each meeting for a conversation about juvenile justice. ○ What types of training/information would be valuable to the communities? ○ Newsletter ○ Quarterly/Annual trainings
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>The Outreach Committee, in collaboration with the Youth Committee, will maintain and provide recommendations for the SACJJ Website. Goal Deadline: Yearly for the June SACJJ Meeting.</p>

<p>ACTIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Each year for the June SACJJ meeting, the Youth and Outreach Committees will evaluate the SACJJ website and prepare a proposal of suggested changes and enhancements for discussion and review by the full council. If approved, any changes or enhancements will be completed on the website by the September SACJJ meeting.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>The Outreach Committee, in collaboration with the Youth Committee, will reach out to new communities that are developing juvenile justice programming. Goal Deadline: Begin January 2024 and continue as necessary.</p>
<p>ACTIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Identify communities that are beginning new juvenile justice programming and provide information to those communities of how to access the SACJJ. ❖ Learn what new communities are implementing so it can be shared with other entities around the State. For example, communities with new Community Juveniles Service Boards (CJSB) what efforts are occurring with longer standing CJSB's. ❖ Collaborate, network, and share with communities learned information in efforts to reduce any duplication of resources.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>In collaboration with the Executive Committee, create a repository of information for the counties on the SACJJ website.</p> <p>Goal Deadline: Initiate and then on-going.</p>
<p>ACTIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ By the September 2024 SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Executive Committee to develop and make available a yearly recommendation and/or a newsletter. ❖ Possible things to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Extract community highlights or barriers from current/former SACJJ Council meetings ○ Learn information from Data or other SACJJ committees and include pertinent information. ○ Best Practices – Share/promote integrative programming ○ Gather community highlights and contribute when possible to the annual report.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>In collaboration with the Data, Grants, and Best Practices Committees, develop training and informational opportunities for community stakeholders. Goal Deadline: Initiate in January 2021 and then on-going.</p>

<p>ACTIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ By the January SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Data, Grants, and Best Practices Committees to identify a plan for training and informational opportunities for community stakeholders for the upcoming year. Each committee will be responsible for developing one presentation a year to be provided to communities and other stakeholders. ❖ Develop presentations, based on the approved plan, to be distributed to community stakeholders across Wyoming.
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>The SACJJ will continue to learn information for communities to determine “Best Practices in Juvenile Justice” and recognize outstanding communities for their efforts in juvenile justice. Goal Deadline: On-going.</p>
<p>ACTIONS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ By the December 2024 meeting, the Outreach Committee will finalize written guidance to be followed each year on the award eligibility, process for selection, and the process for recognition. Once this guidance is finalized, it will be posted to the SACJJ website. ❖ The SACJJ Chairperson and Outreach Committee will present recognition to a county, annually, by the September SACJJ meeting. The Outreach Committee, in collaboration with SAJCC, will ensure a press release acknowledging the best practices in juvenile justice in communities within two weeks of the recognition.
<p>BEST PRACTICES COMMITTEE</p>	
<p>OBJECTIVE</p>	<p>In collaboration with the Executive Committee, enhance and amend each of Wyoming’s counties programs. This can include but not be limited to; single point of entry, county attorney, diversion, and prevention programs, whose focus is on juveniles. This list will be applied to the SACJJ website. Goal Deadline: Initiate in 2024 and continue into 2025.</p>
<p>ACTION</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Over the course of 2024, reach out to each of the 23 counties to discuss with stakeholders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Identify current programs and point of contacts to learn those that might be best practices. ○ Pinpoint any difficulties in terms of the current system and any recommendations for changes. ○ Any opportunities for program evaluation. ○ Learn ways to bolster or enhance their programs. ○ Once completed and amended, each county will be contacted by a member of the committee to learn of those counties’ programs/best practices.

OBJECTIVE	The SACJJ will continue to work with communities to reduce the Number of Court Involved Youth by assisting communities with the adoption of effective programs through recommendations, where appropriate, on juvenile justice practices. Goal Deadline: Initiate in 2024 and continue into 2025.
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The SACJJ will develop recommendations concerning establishment of priorities and needed improvements with respect to juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and juvenile services for each county based on Objective 1 in 2024 and into 2025. ❖ Consult/collaborate with existing state councils' that impact juveniles. ❖ Review/update Wyoming approved court ordered placement facilities.
OBJECTIVE	In collaboration with the Data, Grants, and Outreach Committees, develop training and informational opportunities for community stakeholders. Goal Deadline: Initiate in January 2024 and continue into 2025.
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ By the April 2024 SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Outreach, Grants, and Best Practices Committees to identify a plan for training and informational opportunities for community stakeholders for the upcoming year. Each committee will be responsible for developing one presentation a year. ❖ Research area on SACJJ website to share available trainings pertaining to juvenile justice. ❖ Develop presentations, based on the approved plan, to be distributed to community stakeholders across Wyoming. ❖ Explore how to share available services to juvenile justice. ❖ Review/amend the definition list and place on the website.
DATA COMMITTEE	
OBJECTIVE	In collaboration with the appropriate SACJJ Committees, the Data Committee will partner with communities to improve or continue data reporting. Goal Deadline: Initiate/ continue goal in January 2024 and on-going.
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Provide training and informational videos in collaboration with the DFS data specialist and WYSAC on how to collect and provide data. ❖ Provide training and informational videos in collaboration with the DFS data specialist and WYSAC on how to utilize the data collected for informed decision making. ❖ Collaborate with the DFS data specialist and WYSAC to provide annual report cards to the communities.
OBJECTIVE	The Data Committee will partner with communities to provide training and information on various juvenile justice topics. Goal Deadline: As determined by SACJJ
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Complete a survey on community data needs. ❖ Collaborate with communities to utilize the data to achieve their juvenile justice goals.
OBJECTIVE	The Data Committee will Partner with WASCOP (Wyoming Association of Sheriffs and Chiefs of Police) to review and make recommendations regarding the Juvenile Detention Risk Assessment. Goal Deadline: January 2024 and

	Ongoing
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Collaborate with WASCOP to learn regarding the Juvenile Detention Risk Assessment (JDRA) tool. ❖ Share information obtained from collected data from Counties as it pertains to JDRA discussion.
OBJECTIVE	The Data Committee will Assist with the implementation of ReRoute across CJSB's.
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Gather and learn what communities have completed data transfer agreements ❖ Assist any communities that will begin implementing ReRoute in efforts to collect juvenile justice data.
GRANTS COMMITTEE	
OBJECTIVE	In collaboration with the Outreach, Best Practices, and Data Committees, develop training and informational opportunities for community stakeholders. Goal Deadline: April 2024 and then on-going.
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ By the April SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Outreach, Data, and Best Practices Committees to identify a plan for training and informational opportunities for community stakeholders for the upcoming year. Each committee will be responsible for developing one presentation a year.
OBJECTIVE	In collaboration with the Executive Committee, create a repository of information for the counties on the SACJJ website. Goal Deadline: Initiate in 2024 and then on-going.
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ By the September 2024 SACJJ meeting, collaborate with the Outreach, Data, and Best Practices Committees to identify a plan for training and informational opportunities for community stakeholders for the upcoming year. Each committee will be responsible for developing one presentation a year.
OBJECTIVE	As SACJJ meetings occur, the Grants Committee will gather other grants that communities are utilizing. Goal Deadline: Initiate in 2024 and then on-going.
ACTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ At each meeting gather what grants communities may be accessing around the state. ❖ If other grants are being utilized within certain Wyoming communities, discuss and share with communities any learned options regarding funding sources, if applicable.