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August 3, 2010

Donna Sheen, Chair
 State Advisory Council on Juvenile Justice
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 Cheyenne, WY 82001

Dear Ms. Sheen:

This letter is pursuant to your Council's April decision to recommend that Governor Freudenthal send a letter to the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention indicating that Wyoming would become a participating state if a substantial number of County Sheriffs and County Attorneys favored such action.

Regardless of the debate on whether the Legislature or the Governor determines the participation classification, the following County Attorneys and District Attorneys oppose Wyoming becoming a JJDPa participating state.

Wyoming Counties	Opposed	In-favor
Albany County Attorney	X	
Big Horn County Attorney	X	
Campbell County Attorney	X	
Carbon County Attorney		X
Converse County Attorney	X	
Crook County Attorney	X	
Fremont County Attorney	X	
Goshen County Attorney		
Hot Springs County Attorney	X	
Johnson County Attorney		
Laramie County District Attorney	X	
Lincoln County Attorney	X	
Natrona County District Attorney	X	
Niobrara County Attorney	X	
Park County Attorney	X	
Platte County Attorney	X	
Sheridan County Attorney	X	
Sublette County Attorney	X	

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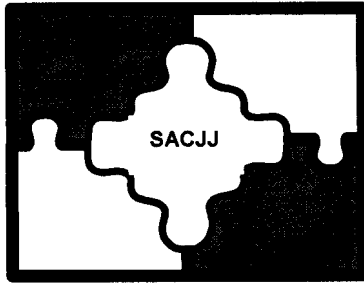
Sweetwater County Attorney	X	
Teton County Attorney	X	
Uinta County Attorney	X	
Washakie County Attorney	X	
Weston County Attorney	X	

Sincerely,



Richard C. Bohling
President, Wyoming County and Prosecuting Attorneys Association

cc: Governor Dave Freudenthal
Judge Gary Hartman, Retired



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NAME AND JUDICIAL DISTRICT	AFFILIATION	APPOINTMENT DATE	MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATION
Bernadine Craft District 3	Representative	03/15/2010	08/31/2012
Lynne Davies District 5	Big Horn Basin Adolescent Program	09/01/2008	8/31/2011
Cindy DeLancey District 2	Carbon County Attorney	12/01/2008	8/31/2011
Melinda Dennington District 4	Youth Member/ Indep. Living Coord.	09/16/2009	8/31/2012
Charlene Edwards District 6	Dept. Campbell Co. Attorney Office	09/01/2008	8/31/2011
Beth Evans District 1	Evans Consulting Services	03/01/2009	8/31/2011
Lori Fertig District 1	Attention Homes- Teacher	09/01/2008	8/31/2011
Adrienne Freng, PhD District 2	University of Wyoming Professor	12/01/2008	8/31/2011
Gary Gilmore District 5	Wyoming Boys' School Superintendent	09/16/2009	8/31/2012
Judge Gary Hartman District 1 (Ret.)	Governor's Policy Analyst	09/16/2009	8/31/2012
Skip Hornecker District 9	Fremont County Sheriff	03/15/2010	8/31/2012
Ronnald Jeffrey District 1	Municipal Court Judge/ Youth Alternatives	09/16/2009	8/31/2012
Deejanae Kelly District 7	Youth Member	09/01/2008	8/31/2011
Dorina Kemper District 8	Youth Member VISTA volunteer	09/01/2009	8/31/2012
Rene' Kemper District 8	Youth Development Services	06/24/2008	8/31/2010
Anne LaPlante District 7	Natrona County School District No. 1	12/01/2008	8/31/2011
Jordan Parsons District 6	Youth Member	03/15/2010	08/31/2012
Rhea Parsons District 6	CASA Executive Director	01/02/2009	8/31/2011

Richard Patterson, PhD District 8	Eastern WY College	12/01/2008	8/31/2011
James Pond District 2	Albany County Sheriff	09/16/2009	8/31/2012
Les Pozsgi District 1	WY Department of Corrections	09/01/2008	8/31/2011
Donald Rardin, PhD District 3	(Ret.) WY State Hospital	01/01/2009	8/31/2011
Wade Sanford District 5	Worland High School	09/01/2008	8/31/2011
Donna Sheen District 1	Attorney	06/24/2008	8/31/2010
Kristina Smith District 9	Attorney/ CASA Volunteer	09/01/2008	8/31/2011
Vanessa Thurin District 1	Youth Member	09/01/2009	8/31/2012
Dustin VonKrosigk District 1	Youth Member	09/01/2008	8/31/2011
Judge Bruce Waters District 5	Judge	09/16/2009	8/31/2012
James Whiting District 9	Attorney	09/01/2009	8/31/2012
Catherine Wilking District 7	Attorney	09/01/2008	8/31/2011
EX-OFFICIO			
Eydie Trautwein	Department of Health		
Diane Lozano	Public Defender's Office		
JoAnn Numoto	Department of Education		
Sue Chatfield	Attorney General's Office		

August 5, 2010

TO: State Advisory Council on Juvenile Justice (SACJJ)
FROM: Craig Fiskus, Debby Lynch, and DeeAnn Near
RE: OJJDP Nonparticipating State Award Update

2007/2008/2009/2010 Nonparticipating State Awards

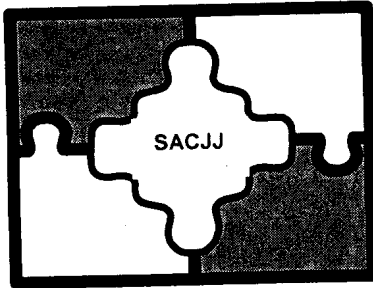
- Presented with Melodee Hanes at the Children's Justice Conference in Laramie on 6/3/10. Provided information on the 2008 State Report and on OJJDP efforts.
- Met with Sheriff Rich Haskell from Sweetwater County on 6/10/10 to discuss his concerns with compliance monitoring. Brett Johnson, County Attorney; Craig Jackson, Undersheriff; Krisena Marchal, Grants Manager; and Mike Wilder, Director Juvenile Probation, also joined the meeting. Sheriff Haskell expressed concern that sheriffs in effect received the violations, as these violations occurred in their facilities. In most cases, sheriffs had no control over the placement of juveniles in their jails/lockups. Sheriff Haskell also questioned the need in general for compliance monitoring, as sheriffs have to undergo various reviews/audits throughout the year. Agreed to disagree on some issues, but he allowed Debby Lynch to conduct compliance monitoring, which she completed on 6/17/10.
- Participated in SACJJ's Strategic Planning Session on 6/16/10-6/17/10.
- Completed compliance monitoring and submitted annual report to OJJDP on 6/30/10. Report contains data for 2009 that was verified during compliance monitoring in 2010. This report determines violation numbers and rates for the state. Data collection issues persist:
 - Multiple people entering information
 - Turnover/changes in staffing
 - Court of origin not recorded accurately
 - County of origin versus county in which charge occurred
- Conducted grant reviews in Laramie on 7/16/10. Melinda Dennington, Lauri Lamm, Don Rardin, Donna Sheen, and Kris Smith volunteered their time for this intense effort.
- Created county information sheets for the Grants Committee. We will eventually release this information as updated "County Profiles."

Current Activities

- Continuing to work with Assessments.com to rectify confidentiality concerns regarding the Jail Roster while still allowing sufficient access to counties. VOA will not have access to names of juveniles, but some counties use names for billing purposes.
- Finalizing the 2009 State Report, which we will release by end of August 2010 per "Action Plan." This document includes information contained in the annual report we submit to OJJDP and summarizes the findings of our monitoring visits.
- Continuing to work with OJJDP and state partners to develop a communications strategy. This plan will help us disseminate a clear, cohesive message that will dispel some of the myths circulating in the state about juvenile justice issues.
- Working to standardize the methods by which the state collects Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) data, as participating counties are developing strategies for compiling information.

Upcoming Activities

- Will conduct a Jail Roster training in early fall to continue to refine our data collection efforts.
- Will host a quarterly meeting in September 2010 with DFS, Judge Hartman, and Donna Sheen in partnership with OJJDP.
- Will conduct follow-up visits through the fall in counties that evidence high violation rates or those that request technical support.



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SACJJ Grant Overview

Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG)

The goal of the JABG program is to reduce juvenile offending through supporting accountability-based programs that focus on offenders and state and local juvenile justice systems. The Department of Family Services is the designated state agency to receive, manage and administer JABG funds.

2008

Grant Period: June 2008 to May 2011

Award Amount: \$263,200

Five (5) Cities and Counties were awarded JABG monies.

OJJDP established that an allocation of less than \$10,000 during a fiscal year will not be awarded to that unit of local government. Only allocations that exceeded \$10,000 were awarded to sub-grantees.

(See Annual Progress Report attached)

2009

Grant Period: June 2009 to May 2012

Amount of Award: \$299,600

Five (5) cities and counties were awarded JABG monies.

(See attached Annual Report)

2010

Grant Period: July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2013

Award Amount: \$288,900

(See attached Budget Sheet)

Annual Report
Wyoming 2008 JABG Grant
Grant Report Period April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010

Grant Award: \$263,200.00
Award Date: 09/2/2008
Grant Period: 06/01/2008 – 05/31/2011

The State of Wyoming has allocated OJJDP FY 2008 JABG funds to five counties. The terms of the contracts are from March 1, 2009 through May 31, 2011. These awards include:

Campbell County: \$20,781

JABG funding is to support a youth crisis shelter, graduated sanctions, juvenile detention and secure treatment in the county.

City of Cheyenne: \$25,500

Court staffing and pretrial services will be provided for the County of Laramie and City of Cheyenne with JABG funding.

Fremont County: \$15,167

The Youth Services Program will be funded with JABG money awarded to Fremont County.

Natrona County: \$16,384

The 08 JABG will provide an intake and assessments of Children in Need of Supervision (CHINS) youth prior to being assigned to the court process. It will also provide an assessment for youth that have an educational neglect petition filed on.

Sweetwater County: \$19,754

Under the FY 08 JABG grant, Sweetwater County will have their Truancy Program funded.

OJJDP FY 2009 Juvenile Accountability Block Grant

Annual Progress Report

Reporting Period: April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010

Grant Award: \$299,600

The State of Wyoming has not yet expended their FY 2009 JABG funds. Five counties were awarded funds, and contracts are pending. The term of the Contract is from July 1, 2010 through December 31, 2011. These awards include:

Campbell County: \$23,290

Funding is for a 48 hour hold program for status offenders at the youth crisis shelter, and drug and alcohol treatment for juvenile participants of the Campbell County Juvenile and Family Drug Court Program.

City of Cheyenne: \$28,342

Funding will provide court staffing for the Juvenile Court through the Cheyenne Municipal Court.

Fremont County: \$16,620

A single point of contact and detention services for juveniles will be funded with the JABG award. This service will be provided through Youth Services of Fremont County.

Natrona County: \$18,670

Natrona County, under the 09 JABG, will provide a CHINS Coordinator/Probation Officer to coordinate pre-trial services and information sharing for juveniles.

Sweetwater County: \$22,891

The Sweetwater County Truancy Program will be funded by the 09 JABG funds.

2010 JABG Budget Detail Worksheet-Wyoming

JABG Purpose Areas	Program Title	Federal Share	Local Match (10%)	Total Funds
	Administration (5%)	\$ 14,445		
09, 10, 12, 15	Juvenile PACT Assessment	\$ 57,780		
All	Pass-through (75%)	\$216,675		
	Totals	\$288,900	\$ 32,100	\$321,000

Budget narrative:

The 5% administration allocation (\$14,445) from JABG pays a portion of the coordinator's salary.

20% of the state program funds (\$57,780) will be used for the Juvenile PACT Assessment. This assessment will provide Wyoming with a universal way of sharing information on youth and juveniles. It will help the state assess the risk and needs of youth, and the goal is to divert low risk youth before they enter the juvenile justice system. This assessment will also help counties identify gaps in services for youth. By having counties participate, they may be more willing to establish and maintain programs and services for juveniles. In addition, the assessment is providing Wyoming with their first state-wide data base for juvenile records.

The 75% local pass-through (\$288,900) will be granted to qualifying units of local government who apply to use the funding to meet the SACJJ priority areas for 2010 (see Program Narrative). Of the pass-through funding that is not granted to units of local government, these funds will be used toward the PACT Assessment for the purpose areas; 09, 10, 12, and 15.

Title V Community Prevention Grants Program

Title V is an Incentives Grant for Local Delinquency Prevention Programs. Currently, Wyoming has seven counties that are in compliance with the core requirements of the JJDP Act. A full range of evidence-based juvenile justice programs, from delinquency prevention and intervention to reentry, can be supported by Title V funds. Program areas may include, afterschool programs, mentoring, diversion, delinquency prevention, disproportionate minority contact, job training, rural area juvenile programs, substance abuse, youth courts, etc.

The grant recipient must match all Title V funds with 50 percent of the amount of the grant.

Two Title V applications were submitted by ULG's: Goshen County submitted a proposal for \$24,282.00 for program area, School Programs. Washakie County submitted a proposal in the amount of \$29,732.00 for the program area, Rural Area Juvenile Programs.

2007

Grant Period: 10/01/2006 to 09/30/2009

Award Amount: \$75,250.00

A grant extension was submitted in July, requesting the grant period be extended to September 30, 2011.

2008

Grant Period: 10/01/2007 to 09/30/2010

Award Amount: \$48,360.00

A grant extension was submitted in July, requesting the grant period be extended to September 30, 2011.

2009

Grant Period: 10/01/2008 to 09/30/2011

Award Amount: \$33,486

2010

Grant Period: 10/01/2009 to 9/30/2012

Award Amount: \$84,945

**Title V Grant Adjustment Request -Wyoming
Change Project Period
10/01/2006 to 09/30/2011**

Wyoming is requesting a Grant Adjustment for FY 07 and FY 08 Title V funds, so the project period can be extended an additional year, to September 30, 2011. Wyoming has not expended Title V funds in the past because of our non-compliant status. However, in the latest 2008 State Report for Compliance Monitoring, seven counties were found to be in compliance with the JJDP Act, and therefore, qualify for Title V Prevention funding. With the ULG's that have applied for Title V funding, we would like to award the 07 and 08 money to them, but must have an approved GAN to do so. Please reference the Plan below.

Time/Task Plan

January 2010

The State Advisory Council on Juvenile Justice (SACJJ) received from the Volunteers of America (VOA), administrators of the Wyoming nonparticipating grant award, the list of Units of Local Government (ULG) currently in compliance with the JJDP Act and has been certified by the VOA as such. These Wyoming counties include Goshen, Hot Springs, Johnson, Niobrara, Teton, Washakie and Weston.

April 1, 2010

The SACJJ distributed Title V Application Packets to ULG's currently in compliance and that have been certified by the SACJJ.

May 31, 2010

Two Title V applications were submitted by ULG's: Goshen County submitted a proposal for \$24,282.00 for program area, School Programs. Washakie County submitted a proposal in the amount of \$29,732.00 for the program area, Rural Area Juvenile Programs.

July 30, 2010

The SACJJ Grants Committee will conduct a formal review process for the Title V applications and determine each ULG's award amount.

September 2010

The Juvenile Justice Specialist will process the award(s) through the DFS contract process. Contract(s) with sub-grantee(s) will be signed; funds will then be encumbered and distributed.

October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011

This will be the project/budget period for the FY 2007 and FY 2008 Title V Awards. FY 2009 and FY 2010 Title V funds will be used to sustain the existing prevention efforts, if the sub-grantee is able to demonstrate adequate progress toward meeting established goals of the program.

Title II State Advisory Group (SAG)

This funding is for activities related to carrying out the State Advisory Group's responsibilities under Section 223(a)(3) of the JJDP Act.

2009

Grant Period: 10/01/2008 to 09/30/2011
Award Amount: \$30,000
Award Date: July 21, 2009

2010

Grant Period: 10/01/2009 to 9/30/2012
Award Amount: \$30,000
Award Date: 07/13/2010