

SPECIAL DETENTION CASES

Reducing Unnecessary Confinement
in Santa Cruz County

Recognizing and Identifying Special Populations

- Identifying Difficult Cases Within the Juvenile Justice Process
 - ◆ Minors Detained on Warrants
 - ◆ Minors Detained on Probation Violations
 - ◆ Minors Detained Post-Adjudication
- Recognizing Barriers for Special Populations
 - ◆ Gender
 - ◆ Minority Youth
 - ◆ Mental Health Issues
 - ◆ Special Education Issues

TACKLING THE PROBLEM

- Shining the Light – the Hawthorne Effect
- Collecting the Data
- Identifying Themes and Barriers
- Making Changes
- Continuous Evaluation

EXAMPLES OF SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

- Warrants
- Probation Violations
- Youth Awaiting Placement

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Youth Awaiting Placement

- ◆ Envisioning the Two Doors of Placement
 - ◆ The Door for Pre-Adjudicated Youth
 - ◆ The Door for Post-Adjudicated Youth

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JDAI Concepts That Apply

- ◆ Everyday counts
- ◆ Least Restrictive Setting
- ◆ Impact of Youth Awaiting Placement on Juvenile Detention
- ◆ Controlling the Back Gate
- ◆ Assessing Placement Risk
- ◆ Expedited Placement Process
- ◆ Adequate Alternatives
- ◆ Data Driven Decision-Making