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MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY JUSTICE
Community Safety Through Positive Change

# Juvenile Justice Steering Committee Agenda

The Juvenile Justice Steering Committee will provide strategic direction and oversight for Multnomah County's juvenile justice system. Ongoing forum for communication and collaboration among key decision makers for the purposes of evaluating, analyzing, planning, policy-making, and recommending action to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the Multnomah County Juvenile Justice System.

## 11/10/2026 Agenda

| Time | Discussion Item |
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| 12:00-12:10 pm | **Call to Order & Introductions,** Co-Chairs |
| 12:10-12:30 pm | **Detention Capacity Workgroup Update,** Sarah Mullen |
| 12:30-12:55 pm | **Treatment Foster Care Oregon (TFCO) Information and Discussion,** John Aarons |
| 12:55 pm | **Adjournment**, Co-Chairs |

- **Next Meeting:**
  - December 8 at 12 pm (Second Tuesday Every Month)
  - Hybrid, Juvenile Justice Complex Large Conference Room

### Voting Members

1. Multnomah Education Service District: **Bich Do**
2. A chief of police in the county, or the appointed chief's designee: **Jarom Sweazey**
3. The local sheriff, or that person's designee: **Deputy Chief Reardon**
4. The district attorney, or that person's designee: **Eric Zimmerman**
5. The county Juvenile Services Director, or that person's designee: **Truls Neal**
6. The director of the District 2 department of social services, or that person's designee: **Marissa Moon**
7. Parent of a Youth impacted by the juvenile justice system: **Erica West (FVC)**
8. Youth serving attorney: **Tyler Neish**
9. Lead juvenile judge or designee assigned by the Chief Family Law Court Judge: **Judge Maurisa Gates**
10. Lived Experience: **Krystal Menefee**
11. OYA: **Sandra Santos/Gunnar Browning**
12. Gresham Representative: **Marcell Frazier**
13. Victim Rights: **Nichelle Moore**
14. IDD**: Jessica Jacobsen**
15. A member of the faith community: **Brandi Gonzalez**
16. A representative of a local parks and recreation program: **Dave Barrios**
17. A substance abuse professional: **REAP Mark Jackson or Dauntae Roberson**
18. A county commissioner. **Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon**
19. A juvenile defense attorney: **YRJ- Lisa Kay or designee; MPD- Dawn Andrews or designee**
20. The Chief Family Law Court Judge: **Judge Patrick Henry**
21. A member of the business community: **Adriel Person, Leticia Longoria-Navarro**
22. Representative from Multnomah County Health Department: **Yolanda Gonzalez**
23. A representative from a community partner agency: Latino Network- **Ximena Ospina**; POIC- **Kamille Irwin-Cordero**; VOA: **Greg Cussen; Michelle Davis-SOS**

**Vacant Positions:**

1. Two persons under the age of 21 years, or one person under the age of 21 years and one member of the public representing the interests of families of at-risk juveniles.
2. A youth mental health professional.

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# Notes

Introductions were skipped so attendance was not taken.

## Updates

- DCJ provided an update on Detention:
    - DEL reached a capacity emergency yesterday

    - Two youth will be transferred to Yamhill County, per the capacity management plan
    - This is for both safety and capacity at the facility
- Babak presented the SB1008 education and empowerment toolkit, which was created with stakeholder input from this steering committee as well as youth at DEL. Advocacy, resources, key legal terms, and the court process are the core elements of this toolkit.
- Bich Do shared the strategy for officially renaming and rebranding the Juvenile Detention Education Program (JDEP) school located at the Donald E. Long Juvenile Justice Complex to Tabor-Villa School, Home of the River Otters. The change will take place July 1, 2027. 100 people participated and voted.
- Sarah Mullen provided an update for the Detention Capacity Task Force, which has met four times to look at drivers of capacity challenges. Sarah acknowledged Suzanne's and Peter's timely responses to data requests, and she also appreciated the staff doing the work. Members of this group that are not participating can reach out to Sarah Mullen to provide input or ask questions.

## Treatment Foster Care Oregon

Truls Neal introduced the TFCO topic as an alternative to detention. Clackamas and Washington Counties are also interested in this model.

John Aarons gave a presentation about TFCO, highlighting that this is a model with 44 years of history. The data shows higher education, income, and better system outcomes for those who have gone through the program.

The model includes a family setting, in-the- moment interventions, simultaneous services, high level supports, average of 9 months. The model professionalizes foster care.

**See the slides for more information that was provided.**

Highlights from the Q&A included:

- Research shows reduction in delinquency, severity and intensity, fewer disruptions, more stability. John can send the research articles.
- Cultural responsivity: Model is a how, now a what. Placement happens about 2 weeks after referral, taking time to look at the best treatment home to help youth feel welcome.
- Rate for treatment homes is between $3500 and $4500. Therapies reimbursed at about $600/day.
- Takes between 2-3 years to become certified.

This information was provided as a starting point to see what is possible.