



## Annual Planning Meeting

Palm Beach County Convention Center  
650 Okeechobee Blvd  
West Palm Beach, FL 33401  
9:00am – 1:00pm

### AGENDA

- 8:00am – 9:00am      **Pre-Meeting - Continental Breakfast** (*before meeting starts*)
- 9:00am – 9:05am      **Meeting Called to Order** –Chair Jones
- *Welcome and Meeting's Purpose* – Director Herring
  - *Introduction of Facilitator Corey Saban* – Director Herring
- 9:05am – 9:15am      **Data Snapshot of Juvenile Justice & School Safety Presentation**–  
Dr. Barbara Cox Gerlock
- 9:15am – 10:00am      **Dialogue to Change Community Action Presentations**
- *Northern PBC*    • *Lake Worth Beach*    • *Delray Beach*    • *RAWL*
  - *Boynton Beach*    • *Riviera Beach/ WPB*    • *County Schools*    • *The Glades*
  - *W. Boynton, Delray, Boca*    • *Closing Statement*
- 10:00am – 10:15am      **CJC Member Thoughts on Presentations**
- *Acknowledgment of Appreciation* – Chair Jones & Director Herring
- 10:15am – 10:30am      **BREAK**
- 10:30am – 12:15pm      **CJC at Work**
- *Discussion on purpose, objectives and authorities*
  - *Member assessments on the state of the CJ system*
  - *Identify up to 5 areas to study and make recommendations*
  - *Secure member commitment to reengage in CJC work*
- 12:15pm – 12:45pm      **LUNCH** (*Provided*)
- 12:45pm – 1:00pm      **Summary and Next steps**
- 1:00pm      **Adjournment**

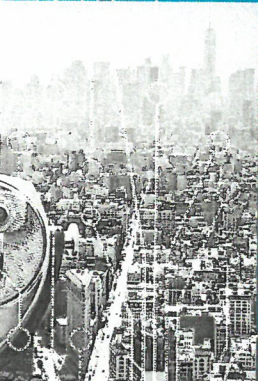


# A SNAPSHOT: JUVENILE JUSTICE AND SCHOOL SAFETY

CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION  
MARCH 28, 2022

## OVERVIEW

- ❖ Juvenile violence is a public health issue. Prevention of juvenile crime and ensuring safety begins in early childhood where nurturing and social development commences and continues through development into adolescence and young adulthood. Supportive relationships can decrease violent behaviors and disrupt the “cycle of violence”.
- ❖ Palm Beach County through collaborative systems planning, integrated funding and community commitment to youth development is earnestly engaged in funding strategies and programming to enhance successful outcomes for youth.
- ❖ Significant progress has been made over the last two decades in developing a system of care for youth. This presents a snapshot of where we are, the initiatives currently in place and recommendations for continuing development.





## BETWEEN 2015-16 AND 2019-2020

School arrests declined 50% from 344 to 191 compared to the statewide decrease of 35% from 8,317 to 5,298.

Community arrests declined 20% from 2,380 to 1,772 compared to statewide decrease of 14% from 45,258 to 28,287.

All arrests in PBC declined 24% from 2,724 to 1,963 compared to statewide decrease of 18% from 53,575 to 33,585.

In FY 19-20 of the 45,423 arrests statewide 51% were Black, 32% were White and 16% were Hispanic. In PBC of the 2654 arrests 62% were Black, 19% were White and 19% were Hispanic

Overall intake and arrests by Law Enforcement declined from 3584 in 2015-16 to 2688 in 2019-2020.

Youth Court and JFO programs, an alternative to arrest, in 2019-2020 exceeded the statewide average of 60% with SDPBC diverting 94% and PBC LEO 64%.

In a given year of the 1433 youth identified with a risk to re-offend after first offense 716, 50% were under 15 years of age

## School District Services

- ❖ Counseling, psychological services, behavioral health professionals and a School Based Team in every school and F/T or P/T therapist in 95 schools.
- ❖ Community agency behavioral health services available throughout the County.
- ❖ Suicide and substance use, and violence prevention curriculum and bullying protocols and hotline.
- ❖ Services for children in foster care, those experiencing homelessness, new arrivals, LGBTQ, teen parents and caregiving youth.
- ❖ Safe School Ambassadors: peer to peer support.
- ❖ Web-based resources and data system for behavioral health.





## Palm Beach County Youth Services

- Family Violence Intervention Program (FVIP)
- Mentoring program for youth in dependency and delinquency systems in collaboration with CSC and United Way
- Three Youth Empowerment Centers
- Free residential, outpatient and in school therapy for youth up to age 22



## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT: SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

- Trauma Informed Care Training: 23,000 participants
- Trauma 101 Training: 628 participants
- Mental Health First Aid Training: 6,500 participants
- Racial Equity Institute Training: 1,823 participants
- Implicit Bias Training: 2,513 participants
- School District Behavioral and Mental Health: 41,770 participants







## Maintaining Services and Filling the Gaps

- ❖ Address DMC/RED (Racial Equity and Disparity) behavioral health and justice issues on a community-wide systemic basis.
- ❖ Expand current level of funding, with a focus on collaborative and integrated funding, for all youth in the community, school and judicial systems for prevention, intervention and treatment services based on need.
- ❖ Develop a racially, culturally and linguistically diverse cadre of staff.
- ❖ Implement a system of interagency data sharing and program evaluation.
- ❖ Continue trauma informed care training for all stakeholder groups.
- ❖ Provide an array of alternative options and intensive treatment for youth and families.