



SUBMITTAL TO THE HARMONY HAVEN CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTER GOVERNING BOARD
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 16.1
(ID # 26018)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

FROM : Harmony Haven Children & Youth Cntr Gov Brd

SUBJECT: HARMONY HAVEN CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTER: Receive and file Harmony Haven Children and Youth Center Quarterly Program Overview of the Facility's Operation, Activities, and Census; All Districts. [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Governing Board:

1. Receive and file Harmony Haven Children and Youth Center Program Quarterly Overview Report, providing an overview of the facility's operation, activities, and census.

ACTION:Consent

Charity Douglas, DPSS Director

9/9/2024

MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

On motion of Director Perez, seconded by Director Jeffries and duly carried, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is received and filed as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: Spiegel
Date: September 17, 2024
xc: HHCYC

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board

By:
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A			Budget Adjustment:	N/A
			For Fiscal Year:	24/25

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

The Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 2023-267 on October 3, 2023, agenda item 3.23, to appoint the Board of Directors for Harmony Haven Children and Youth Center to perform duties as described in publication LIC 9165, up to and including, conduct Board of Directors' meetings at least on a quarterly basis, be active in ensuring accountability, and review and discuss the facility's operation that shall include the incidents concerning a child/youth in the facility involving contact with law enforcement that were reported to California Department of Social Services (CDSS).

Harmony Haven Children and Youth Center (HHCYC) is a Transitional Shelter Care Facility (TrSCF), that offers 24-hour care and supervision to youth who need immediate care and supervision while awaiting a more permanent placement solution. HHCYC serves youth in Riverside County who are removed from their homes or experiencing a disruption in placement. By implementing transitional shelter provisions, the County strives to meet the need for brief, temporary care for displaced youth.

HHCYC received the permanent TrSCF license from the State of California Department of Social Services effective March 4, 2024. HHCYC has expanded programs, partnerships, services and improvements, such as the following:

- Riverside University Health System - Department of Behavioral Health (RUHS – BH) on campus for Mobile Crisis Case Management;
- Friday Night Live Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Program offered by RUHS – BH;
- Public Health education is offered by RUHS Public Health;
- Beaumont Unified School District;
- Department of Public Social Services – Office of Health and Wellness;
- Wraparound Services; and
- Improvements to the campus infrastructure are also in progress.

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HHCYC continues to look for community partnerships for ongoing program expansion to enhance services offered to children/youth at the facility.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

By providing consistent feedback on the status of all children/youth at the facility through the daily census report and analyzing those reports during the Board of Directors' quarterly meetings, HHCYC shall ensure accountability to the safety and health of children/youth and staff, as specified in Health and Safety Code Section 1520.1(f).

Additional Fiscal Information

There will be no impact on the County's general fund.

ATTACHMENT A. Harmony Haven Overview Report with summary of Census Reporting for months of June through August 2024


Brianna Lontajo, Principal Management Analyst

9/10/2024


Minh C. Tran, County Counsel

9/9/2024



HARMONY HAVEN

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CENTER

June-August 2024



COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE

SERVICE FIRST

Regardless of the complexity of needs, children and youth are provided an environment of safety, healing, and individualized trauma informed care to stabilize and support transitions to loving homes.

LICENSED 72 HOUR
TRANSITIONAL SHELTER
CARE FACILITY



48 BEDS

COMPREHENSIVE
SERVICES



THERAPEUTIC SETTING

VISION

Harmony Haven Children and Youth Center (HHCYC), a 72-hour Transitional Shelter Care Facility, provides therapeutic and individualized trauma-informed care and supervision to Riverside County foster youth.

PURPOSE

HHCYC strives to stabilize foster youth with complex care needs through supportive services as they await placement into permanent loving homes.

SERVICES AND SUPPORT

EDUCATION

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

CLINICAL CASE MANAGEMENT

HHCYC works tirelessly with ongoing collaboration across departments to ensure appropriate services are available to support all potential placements. The Central Placement Unit works around the clock to secure placements for youth at HHCYC with an effort to reduce the length of stay.

QUARTERLY DATA:

1,476



Average number of
placement phone calls by
quarter

29



Average length of stay by
quarter

CENSUS REPORTING

June to August 2024

14

LOWEST CAPACITY IN AUGUST, 2024

LOW

26

AVERAGE NUMBER OF YOUTH AT
HARMONY HAVEN

AVERAGE

37

HIGHEST CAPACITY IN JULY, 2024

HIGH

PARTNERSHIPS

It takes a village to transform the lives of our children and youth!

Thank you to our partners:

Department of Behavioral Health

RUHS – Friday Night Live

Riverside Sheriff Office

Beaumont Unified School District

Probation

County Counsel

Office of Health & Wellness

UPDATE

- **In the spirit of HHCYC's commitment to excellence, additional training support has been added to HHCYC during this quarter. HHCYC will receive Staff Development support for training cohorts when onboarding new staff and also for continued training needs of existing employees.**
- **Thank you RUHS foundation for your partnership with HH for an evening of Philanthropy and Fun, raising over \$200k for programs benefiting Riverside County's foster youth.**