

NEW YORK STATE
OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
SUPERVISION AND TREATMENT SERVICES FOR JUVENILE PROGRAM (STSJP)
SFY 2014-2015 ANNUAL PLAN

STSJP Plans are due to the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) by 07 / 25 / 2014

Plans should be submitted to: ocfs.sm.stsjp@ocfs.ny.gov

Please ensure that the title “**Supervision and Treatment Services for Juveniles Plan**” and your county name in the subject field to facilitate the timely review of your STSJP Plan.

Please direct any STSJP Plan questions to either;

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COUNTY INFORMATION	
NAME OF APPLICANT COUNTY, COUNTIES OR JURISDICTION: Westchester	
LEAD AGENCY FOR STSJP SUBMISSION: Westchester County Department of Probation	NAME OF CONTACT PERSON: Rocco A. Pozzi, Commissioner
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STSJP SFY 2014 - 2015	
SFY 2014-2015 Starting County Detention Allocation amount	\$ 3,035,879.00
SFY 2014-2015 County STSJP Allocation amount	\$ 226,339.00
SFY 2014 -2015 County Detention Allocation being shifted	\$ 220,000.00
Total SFY 2014-2015 STSJP Reimbursement Allocation amount	\$ 446,339.00
Maximum STSJP Reimbursement amount for a 2014-2015 Plan	\$ 720,000.00
SFY 2014-2015 STSJP State Share amount	\$ 276,730.00
SFY 2014-2015 STSJP County Share amount	\$ 169,609.00
SFY 2014-2015 Revised County Detention Allocation amount	\$ 2,815,879.00
TOTAL COUNTY OBLIGATION:	\$ 169,609.00

SECTION ONE – Analysis of Communities

Provide an analysis that identifies the neighborhoods or communities from which the greatest number of juvenile delinquents and persons in need of supervision (PINS) are remanded to detention or residentially placed. Note any communities or neighborhoods that are different than in last year’s plan. Please ensure that your identification of target areas or populations is clearly highlighted in your plan.

Westchester County is a very racially, ethnically, economically, and geographically diverse county in the state of New York. Cities, towns and villages within Westchester range from urban areas that border on the Bronx of New York City to rural areas with farms. According to projections from the American Census, the population for Westchester County is 955,962, of which 134,072 or 14% are between the ages of 10-19.

In Westchester, there are 42 local police departments and 48 public school districts. This adds to the stress of coordination of services and implementation of supervision for troubled youth.

The JD/PINS youth who are remanded to detention are from all over Westchester County. However, a majority of them are from the southern urban and sub-urban half of Westchester including but not limited to White Plains, New Rochelle, Mount Vernon, and Yonkers. Some of these communities suffer from truancy, high dropout rates, community disorganization, extensive crime, gangs (particularly in and around schools), and other social ills.

SECTION TWO – Description of Services and Programs to be Funded

List the name of each service and program who you expect will received STSJP funds, along with the projected

amount of STSJP funds to be used for each: As a Guide to providing the information needed to properly review your plan, please provide programmatic information in the format listed below;

- Provide the Name of the Provider of the Service/Program.
- The Amount of any Juvenile Detention Services funds projected to be spent for STSJP Services.
- The communities and types of youth targeted.
- The projected number of youth that will be served.
- Answer a series of Demographic questions

“Please enter each program individually, and if you have more programs than the form accounts for, please use the addendum supplied with this document.”

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STSJP Program One	Probation Juvenile Accountability Program	Type of Program (ATD/ATP)	ATP
The amount of STSJP funds that your jurisdiction will devote to the services from this program?			\$ \$60,000.00
1. What geographic areas has your analysis suggested you target? Westchester County			
2. What is your Jurisdiction's Projected Number of Youth that will be served by this STSJ Program? The Juvenile Accountability Probation will serve up to 100 youth in a year who are at risk of detention and have been adjudicated or are awaiting disposition on court from a case. Westchester Probation has an alternative to detention (ATD) program where we monitor high risk juveniles who are on the cusp of detention or are returning home from detention. Additionally, Westchester Probation has aggressively and successfully pursued cases that AWOL from detention.			
Did the program listed above receive STSJP funds for 2013-2014? If so, provide answer the questions below. If not, please proceed to section “STSJP Program Two”.			
1. When did the program start using 2013-2014 STSJP funds? 04/01/2013			
2. How many slots were created in the program with STSJP funds? At least 100 youth were served			
3. What was the average length of stay for youth in the program or service? one year			
4. How many youth received services in the program during 2013-2014? At least 100			
For programs intended as alternatives to detention, how many youth in the program experienced each of these outcomes:			
1. Successfully completed the program (not re-arrested and appeared in court as directed)			
2. Did not appear in court when directed to do so			
3. Were re-arrested before appearing in court			
4. Moved to detention because of non-compliance with the program or any reason (other than re-arrest or failure to show at court)			
5. What amount of last SFY allocation for this STSJP Service Program was left unspent:			

STSJP Program Two	Linkages	Type of Program (ATD/ATP)	ATP
The amount of STSJP funds that your jurisdiction will devote to the services from this program?			\$ 166,339.00
1. What geographic areas has your analysis suggested you target? This program originally operated with COPS funding in the New Rochelle/Mount Vernon district office. With this proposed plan, the Linkages program will expand to assessments and referrals in Yonkers and White Plains district offices.			
2. What is your Jurisdiction's Projected Number of Youth that will be served by this STSJ Program? The Linkages program will serve up to 100 youth in a year.			
Did the program listed above receive STSJP funds for 2013-2014? If so, provide answer the questions below. If not, please proceed to section “STSJP Program Three”.			
1. When did the program start using 2013-2014 STSJP funds? \$166,339.00			

2. How many slots were created in the program with STSJP funds? 130
3. What was the average length of stay for youth in the program or service? four months
4. How many youth received services in the program during 2013-2014? 130
For programs intended as alternatives to detention, how many youth in the program experienced each of these outcomes:
1. Successfully completed the program (not re-arrested and appeared in court as directed)
2. Did not appear in court when directed to do so
3. Were re-arrested before appearing in court
4. Moved to detention because of non-compliance with the program or any reason (other than re-arrest or failure to show at court)
5. What amount of last SFY allocation for this STSJP Service Program was left unspent:

STSJP Program Three	Juvenile Delinquency Adjustment Supervision Probation Officers	Type of Program (ATD/ATP)	ATP
The amount of STSJP funds that your jurisdiction will devote to the services from this program?			\$
1. What geographic areas has your analysis suggested you target? This program will serve youth throughout Westchester County. The youth in this program will be PINS and JDs who have been adjudicated or are awaiting disposition from court on a case.			
2. What is your Jurisdiction's Projected Number of Youth that will be served by this STSJ Program? The JDAS Probation Officers will serve up to 250 youth in a year.			
Did the program listed above receive STSJP funds for 2013-2014? If so, provide answer the questions below. If not, please proceed to section "STSJP Program Four".			
1. When did the program start using 2013-2014 STSJP funds?			
2. How many slots were created in the program with STSJP funds?			
3. What was the average length of stay for youth in the program or service?			
4. How many youth received services in the program during 2013-2014?			
For programs intended as alternatives to detention, how many youth in the program experienced each of these outcomes:			
1. Successfully completed the program (not re-arrested and appeared in court as directed)			
2. Did not appear in court when directed to do so			
3. Were re-arrested before appearing in court			
4. Moved to detention because of non-compliance with the program or any reason (other than re-arrest or failure to show at court)			
5. What amount of last SFY allocation for this STSJP Service Program was left unspent:			

STSJP Program Four	Westchester Alternative to Detention	Type of Program (ATD/ATP)	ATD
The amount of STSJP funds that your jurisdiction will devote to the services from this program?			\$ 140,000.00
What geographic areas has your analysis suggested you target? The ATD is deigned to be used for males and females ages 7 to 17 who are PINS and Juvenile Delinquent cases referred by the Westchester County Family Court. These individuals will be awaiting pre- or post disposition or fact finding with the 9th Judicial Family Court. Youths are targeted in two general time frames as follows:			
1. Youth who are being considered for NSD or Detention but who have yet to be remanded;			
2. Youth who have been remanded to NSD or Detention but for whom a further determination has been made to reduce days in the facility in favor of community supervision under the ATD Program.			
1. What is your Jurisdiction's Projected Number of Youth that will be served by this STSJ Program? 35-40 youth			
Did the program listed above receive STSJP funds for 2013-2014? If so, provide answer the questions below. If not, please proceed to section "STSJP Program Five".			
1. When did the program start using 2013-2014 STSJP funds? It did not.			
2. How many slots were created in the program with STSJP funds? N/A			
3. What was the average length of stay for youth in the program or service? N/A			
4. How many youth received services in the program during 2013-2014? N/A			
For programs intended as alternatives to detention, how many youth in the program experienced each of these outcomes:			

1. Successfully completed the program (not re-arrested and appeared in court as directed) 23
2. Did not appear in court when directed to do so 0
3. Were re-arrested before appearing in court 0
4. Moved to detention because of non-compliance with the program or any reason (other than re-arrest or failure to show at court) 13
5. What amount of last SFY allocation for this STSJP Service Program was left unspent: N/A

STSJP Program Five	Westchester Probation Clinical Assessments	Type of Program (ATD/ATP)	ATP
The amount of STSJP funds that your jurisdiction will devote to the services from this program?			\$ 80,000
1. What geographic areas has your analysis suggested you target? Westchester County			
2. What is your Jurisdiction's Projected Number of Youth that will be served by this STSJ Program? 100			
Did the program listed above receive STSJP funds for 2013-2014? If so, provide answer the questions below. If not, please proceed to section "STSJP Program Six".			
1. When did the program start using 2013-2014 STSJP funds? It did not.			
2. How many slots were created in the program with STSJP funds? N/A			
3. What was the average length of stay for youth in the program or service? N/A			
4. How many youth received services in the program during 2013-2014? N/A			
For programs intended as alternatives to detention, how many youth in the program experienced each of these outcomes:			
1. Successfully completed the program (not re-arrested and appeared in court as directed)			
2. Did not appear in court when directed to do so			
3. Were re-arrested before appearing in court			
4. Moved to detention because of non-compliance with the program or any reason (other than re-arrest or failure to show at court)			
5. What amount of last SFY allocation for this STSJP Service Program was left unspent:			

STSJP Program Six		Type of Program (ATD/ATP)	
The amount of STSJP funds that your jurisdiction will devote to the services from this program?			\$
1. What geographic areas has your analysis suggested you target?			
2. What is your Jurisdiction's Projected Number of Youth that will be served by this STSJ Program?			
Did the program listed above receive STSJP funds for 2013-2014? If so, provide answer the questions below. If not, please proceed to Section Three.			
1. When did the program start using 2013-2014 STSJP funds?			
2. How many slots were created in the program with STSJP funds?			
3. What was the average length of stay for youth in the program or service?			
4. How many youth received services in the program during 2013-2014?			
For programs intended as alternatives to detention, how many youth in the program experienced each of these outcomes:			
1. Successfully completed the program (not re-arrested and appeared in court as directed)			
2. Did not appear in court when directed to do so			
3. Were re-arrested before appearing in court			
4. Moved to detention because of non-compliance with the program or any reason (other than re-arrest or failure to show at court)			
5. What amount of last SFY allocation for this STSJP Service Program was left unspent:			

SECTION THREE – Disproportionality

Provide available information (use objective data or, if none exists, you may provide anecdotal or other information) indicating whether the use of detention or residential placement in your service area shows a significant racial or ethnic disproportionality. What, if any, differences are there from what was noted in last year's plan? Additionally if NO data exists, what measures will your jurisdiction implement to monitor disproportionality? Probation does not have the ability to affect DMR until the child gets into our system. Westchester County Department of Probation has built effective firewalls at every step to keep children from entering the juvenile justice system.

These funds are to prevent minority juveniles from penetrating further the juvenile justice system. The more juveniles we prevent from penetrating the system, the more we have reduced minorities from entering the system.

Westchester Probation has significantly conducted the following:

- reduced the number of youth from diversion,
- reduced youth from entering the JD/PINS system,
- reduced the number of youth who go to court,
- reduced the number of youth who have been remanded to detention, and
- reduced the number of youth who have been placed outside the community.
- If such disproportionality exists, describe how the service/programs proposed for funding will address the disproportionality: The gains that we have realized have been in minority youth.

SECTION FOUR – Efficacy of the Programs and Services

Provide a description of the proposed services and programs that explain the four listed elements

Please answer the questions below for each of the programs highlighted in Section Two

How they will reduce the number of youth who are detained or residentially placed: 1) Probation Juvenile Accountability Program: This program comprises of Probation Officers conducting intensive supervision in non-traditional hours for those at serious risk for remand to detention or as high-risk juveniles step down from detention.

2) Linkages Program: Linkages will provide assessment and adjustment services for youth who have been arrested for an offense, which if they were over 16, would be considered a criminal act. In tandem with the services of Linkages, Probation will be responsible for case planning and case management for JD cases appropriate for adjustment.

3) Juvenile Delinquency Adjustment Supervision Probation Officers: This program comprises of Probation Officers conducting adjustment supervision to diminish court involvement and therefore detention and placement. Probation will be responsible for case planning and case management for JD cases appropriate for adjustment. (This program serves as our county match.)

4) Westchester ATD Program also works in concert with community stakeholders. Children's Village will provide a special Case Worker to work in assisting the Probation Officer's efforts to insure compliance and community safety.

5) Westchester Probation Clinical Assessments to determine the risk presented by the juvenile to others or himself and an assessment of the situational factors that may have contributed to the act or acts and whether the juvenile can be maintained safely in the community.

How they are family –focused: 1) Probation Juvenile Accountability Program: Probation Officers will engage the children and the parents in the homes in an attempt to keep the child in the community while still maintaining public safety as well as stemming the tide to victimization.

2) Linkages Program: Linkages will conduct clinical assessments to identify those family issues which may inhibit successful adjustment of juvenile delinquency cases.

3) Juvenile Delinquency Adjustment Supervision Probation Officers: Probation Officers will make every effort to engage families in the adjustment process and provide adjustment supervision and referrals as well as outreach to the victims.

4) The ATD program allows the juvenile to be supervised while home in the community.

5) Westchester Probation Clinical Assessments address previous conduct, the family situation, school adjustment and previously provided social assistance.

Whether the services/programs are capable of being replicated across multiple sites: 1) Probation Juvenile Accountability Program: Due to the fact that Westchester County has three Family Courts and the Department of Probation has three district offices collocated with the Courts, it is our intention to replicate this program in all locations.

2) Linkages Program: The rationale for using the Linkages program is because it has been a genuinely successful program in the New Rochelle/Mount Vernon district office. This led to the opportunity to expand these services in Yonkers and White Plains district offices. Furthermore as stated earlier, due to the fact that Westchester County has three Family Courts and the Department of Probation has three district offices collocated with the Courts, it is our intention to replicate this program in all locations.

3) Juvenile Delinquency Adjustment Supervision Probation Officers: Due to the fact that Westchester County has three Family Courts and the Department of Probation has three district offices collocated with the Courts, it is our intention to have one officer at each of our district offices.

4) The Probation ATD program is available in all three district offices.

5) Westchester Probation Clinical Assessments are a service available in all three district offices.

1. If the same plan was used last SFY, were the performance outcomes met and describe the outcomes.
2. What were the barriers if not met?

SECTION FIVE – Justification for the Proposed Programs and Services

The purpose of STSJP funds is to establish supports and services for youth who, absent these services, are likely to be detained or placed. Funds should therefore be clearly targeted to meet the needs of the types of youth who in the past have been admitted to detention or residentially placed. With this specific purpose in mind, describe the demonstrated effectiveness of the proposed services and programs, or provide (in the form) other justification of why you are proposing these services/programs for funding. Please answer the questions below for each of the programs highlighted in Section Two.

1) Probation Juvenile Accountability Program: In 2013, Westchester County Department of Probation processed over 672 PINS cases. All but 29 resulted in either diversion from Family Court or formal probation supervision in the community.

Our intention is to reduce the number of children in detention which also reduces the number in placement. The Accountability program allows us to assess whether the youth can be safely returned to their family and community; and if so, assure linkages with community based services needed to support the case plan.

2) Linkages Program: In 2013, there were over 394 Juvenile Delinquent arrests that occurred in Westchester County. All but 46 resulted in either adjustment or formal Probation supervision in the community. Without this work, it is our expectation that the cases which we are able to successfully adjust and keep from further court involvement will be significantly, negatively impacted.

This program was originally operating with eliminated COPS funding in the New Rochelle/Mount Vernon district office. With this proposed plan, the Linkages program will expand to assessments and referrals in Yonkers and White Plains district offices. With some exceptions, during intake of cases involving those charged as JD's, Westchester Probation engages in an "adjustment process" by working with the victim, alleged delinquent, and his or her family for a period of 60-120 days in an attempt to "settle" the case without formal court intervention.

3) Juvenile Delinquency Adjustment Supervision Probation Officers: In 2013, there were over 394 Juvenile Delinquent arrests that occurred in Westchester County. All but 46 resulted in either adjustment or formal Probation supervision in the community. Without this work, it is our expectation that the cases which we are able to successfully adjust and keep from further court involvement will be significantly, negatively impacted.

These programs and these officers had previously been 100% funded with COPS funding which has been eliminated. With some exceptions, during intake of cases involving those charged as JD's, Westchester Probation engages in an "adjustment process" by working with the victim, alleged delinquent, and his or her family for a period of 60-120 days in an attempt to "settle" the case without formal court intervention.

4) Westchester Probation ATD program: In 2013, 36 youth were admitted to the ATD program; all were supervised in the community but 13. Without this work, these youth would have been sent to detention.

5) Westchester Probation Clinical Assessments shall include but not be limited to the following: psychological tests and psychiatric interviews to determine the mental capacity and achievement, emotional stability and mental disabilities. These assessments help probation to determine if the juvenile can be supervised safely in the community.

SECTION SIX – Performance Outcomes

For 2014-2015, provide the projected performance outcomes for your proposed services and programs, being sure to include:

An estimate of the anticipated reductions in detention utilization and residential placements:

In reference to detention care days, please see Attachment 1.

In reference to placements, please see Attachment 2.

Since 2008, Probation has reduced detention care days over the past five years as well as reduced placements over the same period. Westchester Probation hopes to maintain the low numbers of youth in detention and the low number of children that we placed outside of the community as result of court dispositions.

Historically, Westchester County has placed a very limited number of youth in the care of Office of Children Family Services.

- Other projected positive outcomes for youth who participate in the services and programs: Westchester Probation continues to maintain children in their home communities, while continuing to enhance and promote public safety.

SECTION SEVEN – Assessment of Success Achieving Previous Performance Outcomes

Although performance outcome data for 2013-2014 may be incomplete because many jurisdictions were unable to implement programs until late in the year and data-producing structures are not yet in place, we are asking you to provide available data on your STSJP programs for each of the following parameters for 2013-2014 year. The inclusion of that information will help establish local and state baseline information on SSJP programs and may be useful in informing discussions about potential improvements to be made in your STSJP Plan.

- What were your projected performance outcomes in your 2012-2013 STSJP Plan for your proposed services and programs: In 2012, Westchester County Department of Probation processed over 1370 Juvenile Delinquency and PINS cases. All but 75 resulted in either diversion from Family Court or formal probation supervision in the community. Westchester Probation continues to safely maintain children in their homes and in the communities where it is our belief the best outcomes can be obtained (all data in this section reflect data obtained from calendar year 2012)

- Were there other positive outcomes for youth participating in STSJP services and programs?

Please provide the following information for your county or the jurisdiction served by your STSJP programs for 2013-2014, indicating if the geographic area is anything other than countywide: Our plan serves all of Westchester County.

TTL number of youth under 16 arrested: 394 in 2013

TTL number of youth admitted to detention programs: 356 in 2013

Secure detention:	182 in 2013
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Non-Secure detention	174 in 2013
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TTL Number of youth placed out of their home as part of a disposition in a JD and/or PINS case:

Number of JDs placed with OCFS or LDSS:	46 in 2013
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Number of PINS placed:	29 in 2013
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TTL Number of youth who received service and programs as a result of STSJP funding:	230
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COMMENTS

Please assess whether the services and programs in your 2013-2014 STSJP Plan achieved the projected reductions in detention utilization and residential placements and other performance outcomes. If they did not, what were the barriers?

With the loss of COPS funding, which Westchester County relied upon heavily for juvenile justice programs, we were able to maintain our low level of detention utilization and residential placements consistent with public safety.

Are there any changes in allocations or practices planned for 2014-2015 based on experiences in 2013-2014? Please list those changes.

As indicated, we are moving funds from our detention allocation to our STSJP allocation. It is our intention to fund Juvenile Accountability, Linkages, Probation ATD and Westchester Clinical Assessments with a match from three dedicated Juvenile Delinquent Probation Officers and one Supervising Probation Officer whose positions were previously funded 100% under COPS funding.

**SECTION EIGHT – Cooperative Applications Submitted Jointly by Two or More Counties
(Complete this section only if this is a joint application)**

Two or more eligible local jurisdictions (counties) may join together to establish, operate, and maintain supervision and treatment services for juveniles programs and may make and perform agreements in connection therewith. Counties submitting such applications must provide the following information:

- Describe the provisions for the proportionate cost to be borne by each county:
N/A

- Describe the manner of employment of personnel across and between counties in the cooperative:

- Identify whether a single fiscal officer shall be the custodian of the funds made available for STSJP:

SECTION NINE– Additional Comments

APPROVAL OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

As Chief Executive Officer of the applicant municipality named on Page 1, I certify that I approve of this Supervision and Treatment Services for Juveniles Program Plan.

Robert P. AStorino

Name (Please Print) _____
Date

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Signature

INSTRUCTIONS:

Instructions for properly processing an STSJP plan.

- a. Once you have opened a copy of the OCFS-2121 form, please immediately use the "Save As" function in Microsoft Word to save a copy of the document on your computer.
- b. Please save your STSJP plan using the following format; (Somewhere County 2014-2015 STSJP Plan)
- c. Work from the "saved" county plan document using it to record all of your county's information.
- d. Once you have satisfactorily completed entering the required data, save the document, print the plan.
- e. Then have the person named in the plan as the CEO sign the hard copy of the document.

f. Upload the signed copy of the plan and send it to OCFS via the STSJP email address at ocfs.sm.stsjp@ocfs.ny.gov
