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ANNOUNCING THE RELEASE OF THE JUVENILE PLACEMENT MANUAL 2012 EDITION

Attention youth advocates, probation officers, public defenders, and county placement agencies

San Francisco, CA: CJ CJ's Sentencing Service Program is pleased to announce the release of the 2012 edition of the Juvenile Placement Manual. The manual is a result of 27 years of effort by Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice staff to develop the best juvenile disposition options available.

The manual contains *updated and expanded* information about approximately 150 residential placement options for juvenile offenders highlighting location, gender, number of beds, services offered, aftercare components, rate classification and programs for youth with specific needs.

The manual clearly delineates those placements appropriate for youth with moderate to severe mental health needs, youth in need of substance abuse treatment, special education services, gang intervention, sex offender treatment, and youth with a history of absconding from placements.

Furthermore, the publication provides clarification on how to conduct the placement process and recent changes relating to costs and options for youth aging-out of the system. To ease the search process, placements are organized by county and their California region, in addition to a number of select out-of-state placement options. A notes section is included below each placement for practitioners to use when following up with placements directly.

The need for appropriate residential placements for justice-involved youth is becoming ever more apparent; as research supports the effectiveness of rehabilitative residential and community-based programs rather than large punitive state-run institutions. CJ CJ's hope is that this guide will be a valuable tool for juvenile justice practitioners in locating the most appropriate placement option for California's highest-needs youth.

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