

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Juvenile Justice Services

We provide a continuum of intervention, supervision and rehabilitation programs to youth offenders while assuring public safety. Most JJS programs are accessed through court orders.

SOME OF OUR SERVICES

- Youth Services—24 hour crisis counseling to runaway, homeless, ungovernable youth and their families
- Observation and Assessment—extensive psychological, educational, physical, behavioral, risk and social assessments
- Early Intervention Services, such as daily programming and supervision for youth under short-term commitment
- Short-term residential placement
- Home Detention—alternative to secure detention
- Short-term detention—for youth considered a danger to the community, others or self who are waiting adjudication, transfer or are on a short-term commitment
- Extended secure care—for chronic and serious offenders
- Residential work programs—to work off court ordered obligations
- Community based alternatives—non-residential services
- Case Management—of each youth in custody or under supervision
- Aftercare—assistance to youth transitioning from secure care back into the community

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Juvenile Justice Services (JJS) volunteer opportunities include tutoring, mentoring, helping with projects, guests speaking and life skills training. To volunteer with JJS contact:

Lisa Schauerhamer—State Coordinator, 801-538-4086

Jill Merritt—Northern Utah, 801-774-8767

Maria Ponce—Salt Lake, 801-284-0251

Linda Campbell—Utah County, 801-491-0100

Utah Commission on Volunteers, 1-888-755-UTAH (8824),
www.volunteers.utah.gov

IF YOU NEED MORE INFORMATION

Utah Division of Juvenile Justice Services (JJS)

801-538-4330, www.jjs.utah.gov

Just for Youth

www.justforyouth.utah.gov

Salt Lake County Commission on Youth

www.slcoyouth.org, Janet Fraser, 801-269-7502

For additional information, visit www.jjs.utah.gov

Quick Facts:

- 38% of Utah's youth will have some contact with the juvenile justice system
- The majority of youth served by JJS have committed misdemeanor and felony crimes
- 1 in 42 youth will be committed to JJS custody
- 72% of youth in care are between 15 and 17 years old
- 74% of youth in custody were cared for in community placements
- 7% of all youths committed to secure care were girls
- The average length of stay in secure facilities is 270 days
- Last year, restitution payments to victims of juvenile crime exceeded \$290,000
- Volunteers gave over 119,000 hours to our youth last year