

PROBATION DEPARTMENT SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

Thomas Fink
Presiding Superior Court Judge



Primitivo Romero III
Chief Probation Officer

PRISON RAPE ELIMINATION ACT 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

In accordance with the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2003, the Juvenile Detention Services Division (JDSD) of the Santa Cruz County Probation Department follows a zero tolerance standard regarding the incidence of sexual misconduct in our facility. By providing training, education and reviewing our policy and procedures on a regular basis, we are confident we are providing the juveniles we serve, detention staff, education staff, medical staff, volunteers, etc., with a facility environment that is in compliance with PREA mandates. We are also confident detention staff, education staff, medical staff, volunteers, etc., have thorough knowledge and understanding of PREA mandates and department policy and procedures in order to effectively ensure prevention strategies are in place, detection mechanisms are utilized and responses/investigations to any allegations of sexual abuse or harassment are thorough, timely and objective.

SURVEY OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE – QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS		
1	On December 31, 2017, how many males were held at the JDSD?	3
2	On December 31, 2017, how many females were held at the JDSD?	3
3	On December 31, 2017, how many total juveniles were held at the JDSD?	6
4	Between January 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017, how many juveniles were admitted to the JDSD?	123
5	Between January 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017, how many juveniles were discharged from the JDSD?	125
6	Between January 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017, how many allegations of juvenile-on-juvenile non-consensual acts were reported?	0
7	Of the allegations reported in question six, how many were substantiated?	N/A
8	Of the allegations reported in question six, how many were unsubstantiated?	N/A
9	Of the allegations reported in question six, how many were unfounded?	N/A
10	Of the allegations reported in question six, how many are still under investigation?	N/A
11	Between January 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017, how many allegations of juvenile-on-juvenile abusive sexual contact were reported?	0
12	Between January 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017, how many allegations of juvenile-on-juvenile sexual harassment were reported?	1
13	Between January 1, 2017, and December 31, 2017, how many allegations of staff-on-juvenile sexual misconduct were reported?	0
14	Of the allegations reported in question 13, how many were substantiated?	N/A
15	Of the allegations reported in question 13, how many were unsubstantiated?	N/A
16	Of the allegations reported in question 13, how many were unfounded?	N/A
17	Of the allegations reported in question 13, how many investigations are still ongoing?	N/A

It is worth noting the lack of incidents affects our ability to better assess the need to make changes and/or improvements to our PREA policy, protocols, etc.

We invite you to review our PREA policy and procedures. Said policy and procedures are available at <http://www.co.santa-cruz.az.us/DocumentCenter/Home/View/4263>.

You may reach the detention supervisor at 375-8195 and administrators at 375-7640 should you have any questions, concerns or suggestions.