

# The County Of Yuba

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To The Honorable Judge Susan E. Green  
Sutter County Superior Court  
1175 Civic Center Blvd.  
Yuba City, CA 95993

**RE: Response to 2019-2020 Grand Jury Findings and Recommendations**

Dear Judge Green:

This letter is provided pursuant to California Penal Code Section 933 and is the Yuba County Probation Department's response to the 2019/2020 Grand Jury Final Report Findings and Recommendations concerning the annual investigation into the operation of the Tri County Juvenile Rehabilitation Facility/Maxine Singer Youth Guidance Center.

Please accept the following responses to the 2019/2020 Grand Jury Findings and recommendations:

**Grand Jury Finding F1**

*The carpet in the girl's dormitory of the Juvenile Hall is old, torn, and is presently a health and safety issue.*

**Grand Jury Recommendation R1**

*The Board of Supervisors give approval to replace the carpet or repair and sanitize the current carpet in the Juvenile Hall girl's dormitory by December 31, 2020.*

Response - We agree with this finding.

We are currently exploring the most cost effective method to replace or repair the carpet to ensure the health and safety of our youth within the facility.

**Grand Jury Finding F3**

*Exposure to technical/vocational career training and opportunities is limited.*

**Grand Jury Recommendation R3**

*The Yuba County Office of Education have in place more training and exposure to the technical/vocational career opportunities available to the youths (i.e. culinary, plumbing, electrical, military, etc.), obtain brochures and other written material describing these careers and their requirements, and assist youth in obtaining further information if they want to pursue a specific goal by September 1, 2021.*

Response - We agree with this finding.

The Yuba County Office of Education is implementing the following in response to the Grand Jury's findings:

A Prevention Assistant position is being established through the Youth Employability Program (YEP) which will support the implementation of goals set forth in the program. The YEP program is a college and career readiness program designed to assist youth at the Institution and Community Court schools to obtain employment and/or enter the college system to increase their chances of becoming socio-economically successful.

The Youth Advocate and Career Technical Education (CTE) Coordinator will collaborate to provide opportunities for incarcerated youth to attend CTE course offerings at Yuba County Career Preparatory Charter School (YCCPCS), when jointly approved by Probation and YCCPCS administration. Hands-on CTE course offerings include Veterinary Technician, Auto Mechanics, Auto Body & Paint, Welding, and Aquaponics/Wildlife & Sustainable Ecosystems.

CTE course offerings at Harry P. B. Carden School have been expanded to include on-line CTE pathways in Architecture, Planning, and Environmental Design; Arts, Culture, and Entertainment; Business; Communications; Education; Engineering and Computer Science; Environment; Government; Health and Medicine; Law & Public Policy; Sciences-Biological and Physical; and Social Impact/Community Service.

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