



# Yamhill County Department of Community Justice

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**To:** Yamhill County Board of Commissioners  
**From:** Ted Smietana  
**Date:** 9/29/2014  
**Re:** Youth Development Council – County Point of Contact

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In July of 2013 the state of Oregon discontinued the Commission on Children and Families, transferring the fiscal administrative responsibilities to a newly formed agency called the Youth Development Commission (YDC). Yamhill County received funding from the YDC in the form of Youth Investment funds to HHS and Juvenile Crime Prevention funds to the Juvenile Department. YDC asked counties to designate a single point of contact for the county for communication. Yamhill designated Silas Halloran-Steiner as our county's point of contact.

Since that appointment several things have changed. Yamhill HHS no longer receives funding from the YDC. The Juvenile Department has been merged with Community Corrections to form the Department of Community Justice (DCJ).

As DCJ continues to receive Juvenile Crime Prevention funds from the YDC and is the sole Yamhill agency receiving funds, it would be prudent to align communication with the current funding. Therefore, I would recommend the Board of Commissioners appoint me as the Yamhill County point of contact to the YDC.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Dear Board/Court of County Commissioners:

The Oregon Legislature is in the process of passing bills supporting the restructuring of education in the state and further building Governor Kitzhaber's vision of a P-20 education system. With the passing of House Bill 3231 and HB 3234, both the Early Learning Council and Youth Development Council will become divisions within the Oregon Department of Education. Changes to the service delivery models are anticipated later in the biennium, but maintaining services during the interim is a top priority.

To support this priority, the legislation extends programmatic funding (previously administered in counties by local Commissions on Children and Families) starting July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014. These investments will be guided by the same local flexibility and requirements that currently exist. Programmatic funding streams include:

- Great Start
- Healthy Start
- Children, Youth and Families
- Title IV B-2, Family Support Services
- Title XX-Youth Investment
- Juvenile Crime Prevention
- Casey Foundation: through the Safe and Equitable Foster Care Reduction Initiative (only for counties currently receiving these funds)
- Community Schools (only for counties currently receiving these funds)

**Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA) between the Early Learning Division the Youth Development Division and your County Board/Court will allow for your direct administration of these resources to service providers.**

These agreements are in the process of being finalized and will be amended to reflect specific funding amounts as soon as the legislative session has ended. An administrative allocation to counties is expected to be included.

To help us facilitate ongoing communication, we are asking that you designate a point of contact within your county who is best positioned to support both the IGA process and the administration of Early Learning and/or Youth Development grants in your county. **Please email the name, title/position, email and phone number of your designated contact to our Grants Accountant, Serena Harris, at [Serena.Harris@state.or.us](mailto:Serena.Harris@state.or.us).**

Thank you for your immediate response.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Jada Rupley in black ink.

Jada Rupley  
Oregon Early Learning System Director

Handwritten signature of Iris Bell in black ink.

Iris Bell  
Youth Development Council Director

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