



Briones Youth Academy Commitment Pathway

A HOLISTIC REHABILITATIVE
APPROACH FOCUSED ON
PARTNERSHIP TO HELP YOUTH
OVERCOME BARRIERS, BUILD
RESILIENCE, AND THRIVE
SUCCESSFULLY.

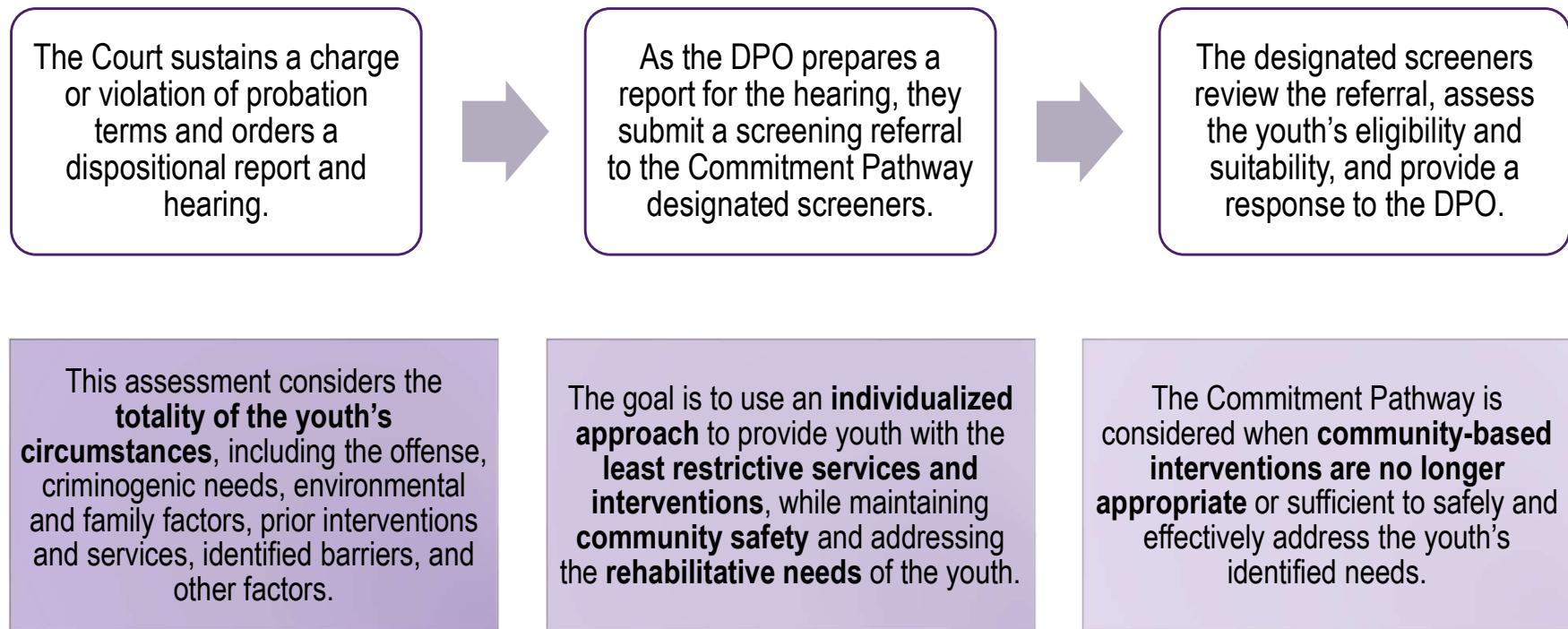


What is the BYA Commitment Pathway?

Transition from YOTP to BYA CP	Program Phases and Structure	Length of Program	Intended Population
• Youthful Offender Treatment Program in 2010 • Restructured to Commitment Pathway in 2021	• Three Phases of program • Individualized Treatment Case Plan	• 10 to 12 month program completion goal	• Male youth • Felony offenses • Exhausted community-based resources

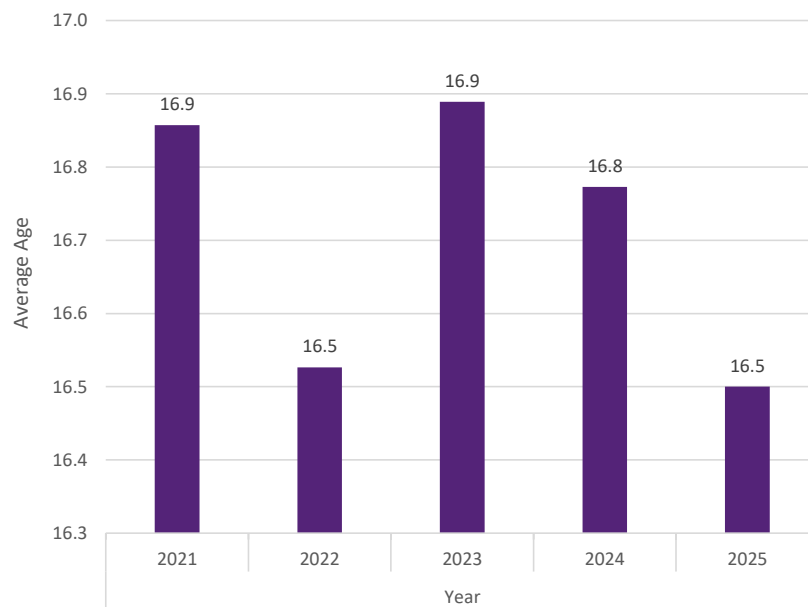


BYA Commitment Pathway Screening Process

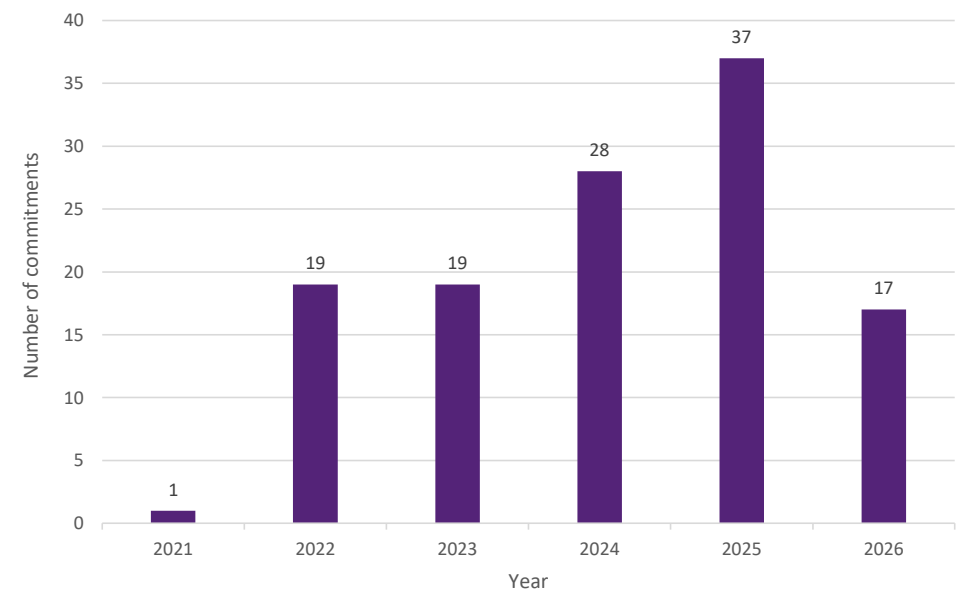


Data Trends

Average age of youth at Commitment



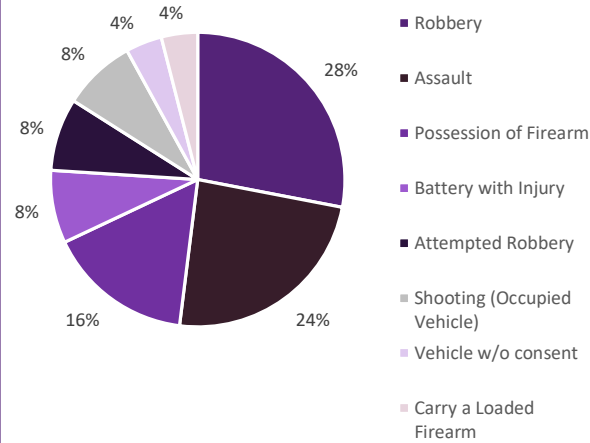
Commitments by Year



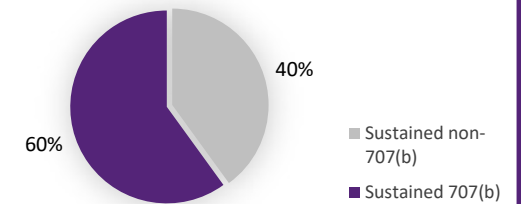


Current BYA CP Population

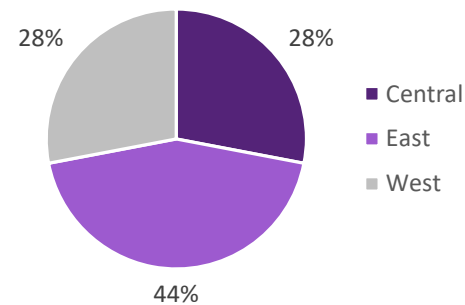
Committing Offenses



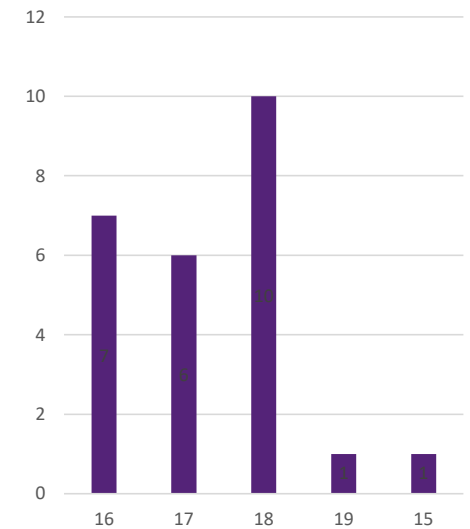
Sustained 707(b) offenses



Area of County



Current Age of youth

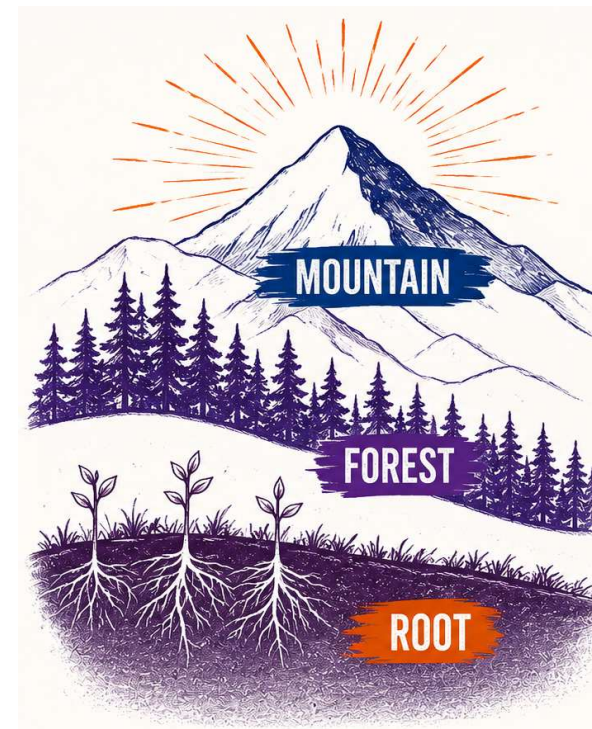


Program Overview

The Commitment Pathway consists of three progressive levels.

Youth advance through each level based on their individual progress, behavior, engagement, and completion of goals identified in their Individualized Treatment Plan (ITP). While each level has a minimum timeframe, advancement is based on demonstrated progress and readiness.

- **Root – Orientation Phase | Minimum 60 Days**
Youth become familiar with program expectations, begin treatment planning, and establish goals for their commitment.
- **Forest – Growth & Development | Minimum 120 Days**
Youth build upon treatment goals, strengthen skills, and demonstrate continued behavioral and personal growth.
- **Mountain – Transition & Reintegration | Approximately 180 Days**
Youth demonstrate sustained progress, apply learned skills, and prepare for successful transition and reintegration into the community.



Treatment and Programming

Aggression Replacement Training

Thinking For a Change

Interactive Journaling

The Council

Victim Empathy

Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Substance
Use Youth (CBI-SUY)

Choices



Health, Wellness & Spiritual Resources

Behavioral Health

- On-site or on-call 7-days a week

Alcohol and Other Drugs Counselor

- On-site 40-hours a week

Medical Staff

- On-site 7-days a week

Contra Costa County Library

- Open to youth weekly

Barber Shop

- Staffed by a professional barber(s)

The Interfaith Chaplaincy Affirming a New Generation of Excellence (ICHANGE)

- Provides spiritual care through individual and group programming and services.



Educational Opportunities

Currently, of the 25 youth within the Commitment Pathway:

- ❖ 6 youth are high school graduates
- ❖ 3 youth are attending college online
- ❖ 4 youth are attending on-site college courses with a college instructor
- ❖ 1 graduate is pending enrollment in college courses





The **Phoenix Pass Program** provides a structured, incentive-based opportunity for youth to gradually reconnect with their families and communities in preparation for reintegration.



Re-Entry Planning & Community Supervision

Team Meeting Focus

- Youth's growth and progress
- Short-term and long-term goals
- Ongoing needs and barriers
- Support team and available resources, including family, Behavioral Health, Community-Based Organizations, and other community partners

DPO Support

- Facilitates the team meeting to develop an individualized re-entry plan tailored to the youth
- Assists with obtaining vital documents:
 - Social Security Card
 - Birth Certificate
 - California ID

CBO Case Worker Support

- Community service opportunities
- Employment support and placement
- Driver education and obtaining a driver's license
- School enrollment and educational support
- Connection to additional community resources



Probation Program Staff

Juvenile Institution Officers (JIO):

Numerous JIO staff contribute to ensuring the Commitment Pathway is a safe custodial treatment environment. After a youth is committed to the program, a JIO is assigned to support the youth's rehabilitation during the custodial portion of the program.

Institutional Supervisor:

An Institutional Supervisor directly oversees the JIO staff, and reviews and monitors treatment plans and case notes to ensure adherence and assess whether adjustments are necessary.

Deputy Probation Officers (DPO):

There are three DPOs assigned to the Commitment Pathway. After a youth is committed to the program, a DPO is assigned to provide support and supervision services throughout their commitment and re-entry into the community.

Probation Supervisor:

A Probation Supervisor directly oversees the DPOs assigned to the Commitment Pathway. The Probation Supervisor reviews and approves reports and ensures delivery of services aligns with the youth's rehabilitative needs.



Challenges & Looking Ahead...

Challenges

- Cognitive Behavioral Treatment Programming needs
- Age-appropriate vocational services needs
- Staffing limitations

Goals

- Creating two distinct units to better address youth needs and progress, and facilitate transition planning, and successful re-entry into the community.



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